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PUBLICATIONS

• **Traci Brimhall** and Adam Ahlers, "Using Learner-Generated Poetry to Help Students Understand Recent Scientific Literature." *Natural Sciences Education.* 29 Sept. 2023. https://doi.org/10.1002/ nse2.20127

• Phillip Marzluf, *Travel Writing in Mongolia and Northern China*, 1860-2020. Amsterdam University Press, 2023. Open access available at https://library.oapen.org/ handle/20.500.12657/75924

• Shirley Tung, "Elysian Landscapes and Cultural Selffashioning in Lady Mary Wortley Montagu's Letters from Turkey and Italy." *Studies in English Literature 1500–1900*, vol. 61, no. 3, 2021, pp. 449-468. https:// doi.org/10.1353/ sel.2021.a903389

• Naomi Wood, "East of the Wardrobe: The Unexpected Worlds of C.S. Lewis, by Warwick Ball" (review), *Children's Literature Association Quarterly*, vol. 48, no. 1, 2023, pp. 103-106.

PRESENTATIONS

• Traci Brimhall, "Crafting Community through Poetry" (panelist). *Kansas Book Festival*. Topeka, KS. 16 Sep 2023.

"Well-Baked Words" (panelist). Kansas Book Festival. Topeka, KS. 16 Sep 2023. "Pocket Poetry Field Guide" (workshop). *The Writers Colony at Dairy Hollow*. Eureka Springs, AR. 25 Sept. 2023

Readings at:

o Louisa May Alcott Center for the Arts, Kansas City, MO. 9 Sept. 2023

o Ashland Public Library, Ashland, KS. 10 Sept. 2023

o Pittsburg State University, Pittsburg, KS. 21 Sept. 2023

o Ketchupedia Poetry Jam, Kansas City, MO. 30 Sept. 2023

• Dan Hoyt, "Sustaining the Small Press" (panelist). *Kansas Book Festival*. Topeka, KS. 16 Sep 2023.

• Michele Janette, "Literature of Crisis" (moderator). *Kansas Book Festival*. Topeka, KS. 16 Sep 2023.

• Mary Kohn spoke on internships and the Lost Towns Project, Pottawatomie County Museum Association. Pay Station Museum, Marysville, KS. 11 Sept. 2023.

• Tom Sarmiento, "Drawing on Your Power to Be an Everyday Peace Builder" (invited panelist). K-State First Book Event, Department of Applied Human Sciences. 21 Sept. 2023.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **Riley Dandurand** (MA '25) has been named part of the executive board for the Midwest Writing Centers Association. She will be serving as secretary.

NEWS FROM ALUMNX/AE/I

• Brennan Bestwick (MA '16) has published "Goat Glanding" (a poem) in *KANSAS Magazine* (vol. 28, no. 5, 2023).

• **Dennis Etzel, Jr** (MA'06) moderated a panel on "Poetry, Collaboration, and Therapy" at the *Kansas Book Festival*, on September 16 in Topeka.

• Leela Prasad (MA '93), Professor of Religious Studies, and Gender, Sexuality, and Feminist Studies at Duke University, has been named a Guggenheim Fellow. Read the profile by the K-State Alumni Association at https://k-state.com/ news/2023leelaprasad.php

• Adrien Kade Sdao (MA '23) has published "loop theory" (a poem) in *Consilience Journal*: https:// www.consilience-journal.com/issue-14-loop-theory

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

• Thursday, 5 October 10:45-11:30 a.m. Fall Open House for Undergraduate Students

• Thursday, 5 October 2:30-3:30 p.m. Banned Books Panel

• Friday, 6 October 3:30-4:30 p.m. Fall Open House for Undergraduate Students

• Wednesday, 11 October 3:30-4:30 p.m. English Department Colloquium. Faculty lightning talks about their work-in-progress.

• Tuesday, 17 October 12:00-1:00 p.m. AI and the Writer's Voice lightning talks • Friday, 20 October 3:30-5:00 p.m. Cultural Studies Mini-Seminar II

• Wednesday, 25 October 3:30-4:30 p.m. SAGE Meeting

• Friday, 27 October 3:30-4:30 p.m. SOCS Spooky Social

• Friday, 3 November 3:30-4:30 p.m. Reading by Taylor Brorby

• Friday, 10 November 3:30-4:30 p.m. Alumni Connections

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