

Reading Matters

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PUBLICATIONS

- **Jacque Boucher**, “in praise.” *Glass: A Journal of Poetry*. Oct. 2019 <<http://www.glass-poetry.com/journal/2019/october/boucher-praise.html>>.
Jacque Boucher and Ashely Adams, “Selected Lessons from the Gleyed and Anaerobic.” *New South* 12.2 (2019): 50-52.
- **Traci Brimhall**, “Losing to the Invisible: An Ars Poetica” (essay). *A Body Built for Game*. Eds. Natalie Diaz and Hannah Ensor. Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 2019. 192-95.
- **Elizabeth Dodd**, “Perfect Cirque” (poem). *Deep Wild Journal* 1 (2019): 70.
“Boson Particles, Light Snow” (poem). *The Hopper* IV (2019): 35.
- **Gregory Eiselein, Anna Goins, and Naomi J. Wood**. *Studying the Bible: The Tanakh and Early Christian Writings*. Manhattan, KS: New Prairie P, 2019. <<https://newprairiepress.org/ebooks/29>>.
- **David Smit**, *Power and Class in Political Fiction: Elite Theory and the Post-War Washington Novel*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2019.

PRESENTATIONS

- **Elizabeth Dodd**, “El Cuartelejo: Stinking Little Fort” (nonfiction). *Western Literature Association (WLA) Conference*. Estes Park, CO 20 Sept. 2019.
- **Michele Janette**, “Dao Strom’s *Grass Roof Tin Roof* as Map of Refuge/Refugee/Refugitude in the Hills of California.” *Western Literature Association Conference*. Estes Park, CO. 21 Sept. 2019.
- **Jim Machor**, “Cold War Mark Twain.” *Reception Study Society Conference*. Brigham Young University, Provo, UT. 28 Sept. 2019.
- **Wendy Matlock**, “Logorrheic Authority: The Manciple’s Mother in Chaucer’s *Canterbury Tales*.” *43rd Mid-America Medieval Association Conference*. Kansas City, MO. 19 Sept. 2019.
- **Philip Nel**, “Why Adults Refuse to Admit Racist Content in the Children’s Books They Love” (keynote). *Asian Festival of Children’s Content*. National Library Building, Singapore. 6 Sept. 2019. Also panelist on “Advocating for Diverse Books” (5 Sept.) and “Rebels in Children’s Literature” (7 Sept.).

AWARDS

- **Lynsey Akin** (BA ’20) received an Arts and Science Undergraduate Research Travel Award to present research connected to **Mary Kohn**’s Kansas Speaks Project.

NEWS FROM ALUMNI

- **Kenan Orhan Dannenberg** (BA ’14) received an O. Henry Prize for his story “Soma,” which was originally published in *Massachusetts Review*, Spring 2018.
- **Alyssa Dawson** (MA ’10) has been recognized as a 2019 Yale Educator by Yale University, the only educator in Kansas to receive the award. She was nominated by former Ellis High School student Lane Fischer, who is now a freshman at Yale.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **Tuesday, Oct. 1, 11:00 a.m. — 12:30p.m., 2nd floor, ECS.** English Department Fall Open House
- **Wednesday, Oct. 2, 3:30 — 4:30 p.m., Union Wildcat Chamber.** Department Colloquium. Professor Greg Eiselein and Professor Anne Phillips on “Louisa May Alcott: Major Author and Marriage Maven.”
- **Friday, Oct. 4th, 7:30 — 8:30 p.m., Strecker Nelson West Gallery.** Poetry (and Short Prose) on Poyntz
- **Friday, Oct. 11, 3:30— 4:30 p.m., K-State Alumni Center, 2nd floor.** Reading by Deji Olukotun
- **Monday, Oct. 14, 9:00 a.m. — 4:30 p.m., K-State Student Union.** Indigenous Peoples Day
- **Friday, Oct. 18th, 3:30 —5:00 p.m., ECS 017.** Cultural Studies Mini-Seminar II

• **Friday, Oct. 18th, 7:00 —
8:00p.m., Arrow Coffee Co.**
Driptorch Reading Series

• **Wednesday, Oct. 30, 3:30 —
4:30 p.m., Union Wildcat
Chamber.** Department
Colloquium. Assistant Professor
Tom Sarmineto on “Filipinas in the
Wild West: Regional Narratives of
Gender, Sexuality, Race, and
Empire.”

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