

Contemporary Women's Writing: New Texts, Approaches, and Technologies

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Conference Program: Concise Version (with detailed version below)

Wednesday, July 7, 2010

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	Terrace Foyer: light continental breakfast available at no charge
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10:15 - 10:45 a.m.	Break
10:45 – 12:00 p.m.	Concurrent Panels: various rooms
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5:30 – 6:30 p.m.	Outdoor Terrace: reception with light snacks at no charge, plus cash bar
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Annual General Meeting of CWWN/A: all delegates are welcome
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	Web site in order to register for dinner)
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Friday, July 9, 2010

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast: delegates arrange individually
8:30 – 9:45 a.m.	Concurrent Panels: various rooms
9:45 – 10:00 a.m.	Break
10:00 - 11:30 a.m.	Santa Rosa Room: Plenary Reading
11:30 – 11:45 a.m.	Break
11:45 – 1:00 p.m.	Concurrent Panels: various rooms
1:00 – 1:15 p.m.	Santa Rosa Room: Conference concluding remarks
1:15 – 2:15 p.m.	Private meeting of Editors and Board Members of CWW

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Riding the Waves: Women's Writing and Feminist Literary Studies for the Twenty-First Century, introduced by Anne Donadey

10:15 - 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Concurrent Panels

Santa Rosa Room

Queer Narratives: Genre and Representation in the Work of Bechdel, Gottlieb, Chowdry, and Blackwood

Judith Kegan Gardiner: Queering Genre: Bechdel's Dykes to Watch Out For and Fun Home

M. Catherine Jonet: Electra Becomes Queer Mourning: Grief and the Father in Women's Graphic Memoir

Gabriele Griffin: Questions of Belonging: Contemporary Women's Writing on Diasporic

Experiences and Queer Identity in South Asian Contexts

Chair: William A. Nericcio

Corona Room

Blogs, Digital Fiction, Feminism, and Women Writers

Ann Kaloski-Naylor: Twenty-First Century Feminist Lit Crit: Reading, Pleasure, and RSI

Joanne Maltby: The Venomous Commenter and the Feminist Blogger: Exploring the Power of the

Commenter in the Feminist Blogosphere

Ashley Samsa: Literacy in the Feminist Blogging Community

Pacific Room

Genre and Narrative in Francophone Women's Writing

Alison Rice: Global Francophone Women Writers on Film

Dawn Cornelio: Chloé Delaume's Writing Laboratory

Adrienne Angelo: Missing Links and Missed Messages: Camille Laurens's Ni toi ni moi and the

Negation of Love

Chair: E. Nicole Mever

Marina Room A

Fourth Way: Young Women Taking Hybrid Poetics Beyond the Page: A Performance Panel

Annie Bacon presents an excerpt from her opera, which blends poetry, storytelling, theater, and acoustic folk music.

Bianca Stone will discuss her blog- and zine-based poetry comics.

Amber West will present a current collaboration with puppeteer Kirsten Kammermeyer that blends ekphrastic poetry based on visual art with toy theater.

Chair: Katharyn Howd Machan: CANCELLED AS CHAIR - NO LONGER ATTENDING

Marina Room B

Writing Sexuality

Rachel Carroll: Notes on a Scandal: Representations of Deviant Female Heterosexuality in Contemporary Women's Fiction

Petruta Tatulescu: Concept vs. Language: Sex and Sexuality in German Literature – Prostitute Guide vs. Vulgar Girl

Ashley Greenwood: Violent Sex or Sexual Violence? The Gendered Language of Sex in Contemporary Romance Novels

Chair: Tanfer Emin Tunc

Coronado Room

Narrating Trauma

Catherine Guthrie: Sound as Signifier: Translating Traumatic Memory in Anne Michaels's *Fugitive Pieces*

Alison Reed: Rewriting Hetero-patriarchal Desire: Narrative Masquerade in Castillo and Morrison

Satoko Kakihara: Together, a Book of Peace: Kingston's Community Amidst American Exceptionalism

Chair: Tracy Cummings

Bayside Room

Contemporary Feminist Poetics

Barbara J. McGrath: Farther Along the Shoreline: Form and Structure in Adrienne Rich's *Telephone Ringing in the Labyrinth*

Michelle Gaffey: Writing "bodies back to life": The Documentary Practices of Chris Llewellyn, Susan Howe, and Jackie Kay

Anna Rogers: The Spaces Between: (de)Constructing Dark Matters in Rae Armantrout's Versed

Harbor Board Room Private interview of Caroline Bergvall by Linda Kinnahan

12:00 – 1:30 p.m. Lunch: delegates arrange individually

1:30 - 2:45 p.m. Concurrent Panels

Santa Rosa Room

Re-Imagining Aging: New Approaches to Gender and Aging

Mary Eagleton: When Old or Old(ish) Is New

Jago Morrison: Re-imagining Aging: Reading Barbara Pym's Quartet in Autumn in the

Twenty-First Century

Susan Watkins: "Summoning your youth at will": Memory, Time, and Aging in Contemporary

Women's Writing

Corona Room

Women Performing Poetry Readings, Hip Hop, and Mixed Forms

Katharyn Howd Machan: Breath into Fire: Feminism and Poetry Readings - CANCELLED

Christopher Bell: "Wrath of My Madness": Queen Latifah's Battle in the Hypermasculine Hip

Hop Landscape

Erin M. Rentschler: Disturbing the Static with Another American Song: Claudia Rankine's *Don't*

Let Me Be Lonely and Images of Contemporary America

Chair: Shoshana Grossbard

Pacific Room

Women Blogging around the World

Sarah Law: A Blog of Her Own: UK Women Poets Who Blog

Julie Cairnie: Posting Letters from Zimbabwe: The Case of Cathy Buckle

Kaley Joyes: From Blog to Book: Heather B. Armstrong, Dooce, and Questions of Genre

Marina Room A

Chicana/Latina Writers Decolonizing Spirituality, the Body, and the Self

Christina Grijalva: *The Fifth Commandment* by Elia Arce: Mediations and Meditations

Irene Lara: "Goddess" of the Americas in the Decolonial Imaginary: Beyond the Virtuous

Virgen/Pagan Puta Dichotomy

William A. Nericcio: Remedios Varo, Frida Kahlo, and Cristina Rivera-Garza: Painter/Diarist/Novelist in Front of the Seductive Mirror

Marina Room B

Beginning, Middle, and End: Narrative Construction and Character Development in Contemporary Women's Literature

Sarah Prince: Sisters in Sweat: Adolescent Twinning in Contemporary Women's Novels

Angela LaGrotteria: "You Don't Need a Weatherman" in Appalachia: Region and Gender in Sula

and Strange as This Weather Has Been

Martine Brownley: Beyond "Happily Ever After"?

Coronado Room

History, Memory, and Trauma in Contemporary Women's Writing

Lynn Makau: "A Freedom You and I Will Never Know": Valerie Martin's Property

Anh Hua: Memory, Healing, and Migration

K. Merinda Simmons: The Poetics of Grief: Violence, Memory, and Textual Migration in

Edwidge Danticat's The Dew Breaker

Chair: Barry Stampfl

Bayside Room

Harbor Board Room

2:45 - 3:00 p.m. Break

3:00 – 4:15 p.m. Concurrent Panels

Santa Rosa Room

Popular Fiction and Writing Politics

Margaret Jay Jessee: "Identity Politics," Toni Morrison, and the Canon

Lynda Zwinger: The Working Girl and the Bloodsucker: Class Politics in the New/Old Vampire

Novel

Dale Bauer: Pat Barker's Politics

Chair: Michael Borgstrom

Corona Room

Caribbean-Canadian Women Writers

Sherry Johnson: Cosmopolitanism in the City: Contemplations on Dionne Brand's What We All

Long For

Eva C. Karpinski: (Be)longing in the City of Translators: Micro-cosmopolitanism in Dionne

Brand's What We All Long For

Sandra Regina Goulart Almeida: A "Woman-of-Words": Nalo Hopkinson's Subversive

Speculative Fiction

Pacific Room

Narrating South Asian and Diasporic Experience

Sreemati Mukherjee: Postcolonial Narrative Aesthetics in Kiran Desai and Jhumpa Lahiri:

The Inheritance of Loss and Namesake

Nirmala Menon: Hybridity and Globalization in Kiran Desai's The Inheritance of Loss

Shu-hui Liu: Bodies on the Move: Diasporic Bodies in Sara Suleri's Meatless Days

Chair: Pin-chia Feng

Marina Room A

Written on Women's Bodies: Representations of Violence in Contemporary Women Playwrights' Drama

Eulalia C. Piñero Gil: The Embodiment of Social Violence in Suzan-Lori Parks's In the Blood

Antonia Rodríguez-Gago: "Angry Whispers": Familiar Spaces of Violence in the Theatre of

debbie tucker green

Julia Salmeron: Sarah Kane

Marina Room B

Twentieth- and Twenty-First-Century Women, Britain, and Representation

Emma Parker: Black and White, and Pink All Over: 'Valerie Mason-John's Queer Transracial

Aesthetic

Sarah Falcus: Addressing Age in Michèle Roberts's Reader, I Married Him

Mine Ozyurt Kiliç: Rewriting the Condition-of-England Novel: Maggie Gee's Fiction

Coronado Room

Trauma, Sleep, and Narrative in the Work of Canadian Women Writers

Katherine Snyder: The Post-Apocalyptic as Post-Traumatic in Margaret Atwood's *Orvx and*

Crake

Laurie Vickroy: Traumatic Memory and Narrative Motivations in *The Blind Assassin*

Erin Gray: The Good Sentences of Sleep: Parasomnia and Pataplay in Rawlings and Legris

Chair: Mary Galbraith

Bayside Room

Women Transgressing Boundaries: Opal Palmer Adisa, Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie, and Marjane Satrapi

Carolyn Hart: Opal Palmer Adisa's Sugar Cane Tales: The Production of *Bake Face and Other Guava Stories*

Suzanne James: Embracing the Erotic: Female Sexuality in the Fiction of Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

Mostafa Abedinifard: Satrapi's Revolutionary 'Autobiographics' and the Treatment of Problems of Memory and Historical Representation

Harbor Board Room

4:15 – 4:30 p.m. Break

4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Santa Rosa Room: Keynote address by Caroline Bergvall:

Middling English: Nodalities of Writing, introduced by William A. Nericcio

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8:45 – 9:45 a.m. Santa Rosa Room: Keynote address by Thadious Davis:

Enfoldments: Natasha Trethewey's Racial-Spatial Phototexting

Introduced by Tanis Starck

9:45 – 10:15 a.m. Break

10:15 – 11:30 a.m. Concurrent Panels

Santa Rosa Room

Local Landscapes in a Global Era

Bonnie Kime Scott: Establishing "Home Ground" in Contemporary Women's Nature Writing

Pauline Newton: Daffodils and Lilacs and Postcolonial Landscapes

Nancy Srebro: India's Global Heritage: Gurinder Chadha's Bride and Prejudice

Chair: Tom Scott

Corona Room

Black British Women Writers

Jennifer Gustar: Gendering Hybridity in the New English Novels of Andrea Levy and Zadie

Smith

Emily Hicks: Bernardine Evaristo: A Complexity Approach to *Blonde Roots*

Alice Ridout: "Because I know no son of mine steals ANYTHING": Thievery and Inheritance

in Zadie Smith's On Beauty

Pacific Room

Women Writing the Body and Subjectivity in Australia, South Africa, and Canada

Bronwen Levy: Elizabeth Jolley's 'Vera' Trilogy

Lara Buxbaum: Bodies in Fragments in the Fiction of Marlene van Niekerk

Laurie Kruk: Innovation and Reflection in the New Millennium: Carol Shields's "Double Voice"

Marina Room A

New Approaches to Contemporary Latin American Novels by Women

Angela Martín: 'Amalia': A Fantastic Intercultural Double

Clarisse Bandeira de Mello: The Female Author and the 'Translatress': Crossing Linguistic,

Cultural and Social Borders in the Post-Modern Era

Nora Erro-Peralta: Weaving and Spinning History through Women's Eyes

Chair: Nora Erro-Peralta

Marina Room B

Contemporary Women Writers in Theatre, Photography, and Other Collaborative Modes

Susan Knutson: Wider Collaborations: Daphne Marlatt in the Twenty-First Century:

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Ramsey Mathews: Men Behaving Badly: Suzan-Lori Parks's Topdog/Underdog

Lynda Koolish: Contemporary Women Writers and the Photographic Image

Chair: Deirdre Osborne

Coronado Room

Women Writing Adolescence

Sarah Graham: "Growing up in Storyland": Fictions of Female Adolescence

June Cummins: "Women Writers Writing Jewish Young Women in Jewish Literature for Girls"

Emily Thomas: No Woman's an Island, or, Jamaica Kincaid and the 'Problem' of the Postcolonial

Girl

Bayside Room

The Caribbean and Beyond

Marlene De La Cruz-Guzmán: A Tempest-like Politics of Race and Double Traumatization in

British Honduras, in Zee Edgell's Novel Time and The River

Kerri Linden: (Re)Orientation: Psyche, Anxiety, and Identity in Contemporary Postcolonial

Women's Fiction

Alexandra Boyer: Expansiveness in Guyanese Writer Grace Nichols' The Fat Black Woman's Poems

Harbor Board Room Private Interview of Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni, by Metka Zupancic

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12:45-2:00 p.m. Concurrent Panels

Santa Rosa Room

Transformative Technologies in the Work of A.S. Byatt, Anne Enright, and Wendy Wasserstein

Virginia Tiger: Back to the Future: Byatt's A Whistling Woman

Tanfer Emin Tunc: "I Have a Beeper Now!": Theorizing Technology in the Major Works of

Wendy Wasserstein

Claire Bracken: Anne Enright's Machines: Modernity, Technology, and Irish Culture

Chair: Emma Parker

Corona Room

Play and Revision in Contemporary Women's Writing

Melanie Waters: "Rats Live on No Evil Star": Rules, Riddles, and Rhymes in the Poetry of Anne

Sexton

Rebecca Munford: "That will teach you to take my queen": Angela Carter, Chess, and the 'New'

Female Power

Stacy Gillis: "I had given nothing away": Deception and Disorder in Shelley Jackson's Half-Life

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Chair: Sherry Little

Pacific Room

Sexuality, Danger, and Money in Three Women Poets: Greenberg, Lederer, and Carson

Darcy L. Brandel: "Come Choose the Terrible Choice": Negotiating Language and Violation in

Arielle Greenberg's Poetry

Paul Crosthwaite: Money is a Kind of Poetry: The Poetics of Finance Capital in Katy Lederer's

The Heaven-Sent Leaf

Maya Linden: Metaphors of War: Desire, Danger, and Ambivalence in Anne Carson's Poetic

Form

Marina Room A

Contemporary Women's Writing in France

Gill Rye: New Representations and Technologies of Reproduction: Cloning, Surrogacy, and

Artificial Insemination

Shirley Jordan: Autobiographical Writing: New Strategies, Technologies, and Ideologies of the

Self

Marie-Claire Barnet: Off Limits: Deterritorialized Land and Language in Marie Darrieussecq

Chair: Dawn Cornelio

Marina Room B

Chica Lit and the Erotic in Chicana Literature

Sonia Alejandra Rodriguez: Becoming a Nueva Latina: Transforming Identity Politics in the

United States in 10 Easy Steps

Sonia Ivette Valencia: Solo Para Chicas: Chicana/Latina Young Adult Literature

Wendy Walker: Erotics as Decolonization in Demetria Martinez' Mother Tongue

Coronado Room

Popular Fiction, Gender, and Aesthetics

Toni Bartlett: Entertaining Feminism: Australian Readers and the Politics of Chick-Lit

Lucy Gallagher: Approaching Contemporary British Women's Writing Using 'the Middlebrow'

Janice H. Oaks: Feminist Theory through Women's 'Popular' Writing of the Late 1990s - ADDED

Chair: Clare Hanson

Bayside Room

Margaret Atwood: Magical Realism, Domesticity, and Gender

Sharon Wilson: Magical Realism in Atwood's *The Robber Bride* and Women's Literature

Tonya Krouse: "It's the mix of domestic image and mass bloodshed that does it to them":

Domesticity and Female Subjectivity in Margaret Atwood's *The Robber Bride*:

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Hatice Yurttas: Gender, Genre, and Language in Atwood's *The Penelopiad*

Chair: Gillian Alban

Harbor Board Room

2:00 - 2:15 p.m. Break

2:15 – 3:30 p.m. Concurrent Panels

Santa Rosa Room

The Human, the Post-human, and Eugenic Discourse

Clare Hanson: Liberal Eugenics?: Jurgen Habermas and Jodi Picoult

Hui-chuan Chang: Perspectives on the New Millennium: Le Guin's Changing Planes

Ana Cecília Acioli Lima: Bodies Without Bodies in Jeanette Winterson's *The.Powerbook*

Corona Room

Terrorism, the Military, and Contemporary Women's Writing

Linda Kauffman: In the Wake of Terror: Women Respond to 9/11

Mala Renganathan: Representations of Terror in Women's Writing: A Gendered Perspective

Elizabeth Wade: National Identity and the American Military Woman

Pacific Room

Food, Sex, and Form: Writing by Chinese-American, Irish, and Welsh Women

Pin-chia Feng: Culinary Memory: Foodways and the Problematics of Identity in Leslie Li's

Daughter of Heaven

Mara Reisman: Recreating the Happy Family in Jennifer Johnston's Foolish Mortals

Tomos Owen: Problems of Form in Post-industrial Women's Writing in Wales

Marina Room A

New Approaches in Women's Poetry

Jane Dowson: "Every disease is a work of art": Towards a New Confessionalism

Linda A. Kinnahan: Experimental "Work at the language-face"

Jessica Wilkinson: "Out of Bounds of the Bound Margin": Susan Howe's Challenge to the Printed

Page

Chair: Jane Dowson

Marina Room B

Reinventing the British Theatrescape: Black British Women Playwrights, Experimental Theatre Groups, and Caryl Churchill

Deirdre Osborne: Diasporic Voices and Aesthetic Choices: Contemporary Black British Women

Dramatists' Experiential and Linguistic Innovations

Anna Furse: From Cyberspace to Theatrespace: Writing Don Juan. Who?/Don Juan.Kdo?

Tanya Mander: Gender and Politics: Interpreting Caryl Churchill

Chair: Emily Hicks

Coronado Room

South Asian Women Writing: Nu Nu Yi, Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni, and Nayantara Sahgal

Tamara C. Ho: Translating Transgression: Gender and Sexuality in Nu Nu Yi's *Smile as They Bow*

Metka Zupancic: The Ethics of Wisdom and Compassion in the Novels of Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni

Chetana Pokhriyal: The Politics of Feminism in Nayantara Sahgal's *Rich Like Us* and *Mistaken Identity*: A Socio-Literary Perspective

Bayside Room

The Sublime, Home, and Sexuality in Olds, Munro, and Dove

Jessica Brophy: The Gender-Sharing Sublime and the Crisis of Love in the Poetry of Sharon Olds

Natalie Aikens: Carrying Home Within: Juliet's Exploration of Canadian Space and Self in Alice Munro's "Chance," "Soon," and "Silence"

Tria Andrews: Abuse and Healing in the Work of Rita Dove

Chair: Laurie Kruk

Harbor Board Room

3:30 - 3:45 p.m. Break

3:45 – 5:00 p.m. Concurrent Panels

Santa Rosa Room

Women on the Margins of the Nation

Carole Ferrier: Australian Indigenous Women's Fiction in the Twenty-First Century

Putul Sathe: Reading "Difference" in Dalit Women's Autobiographies

Taryn Beukema: Gendering the Nation: Representations of Mothers in Mahasweta Devi's "Douloti the Bountiful"

Corona Room

Liminal Spaces in Women's Writing from the Caribbean, Britain, and Italy

Leila Assumpção Harris: Looking for a Neutral Space: A 'Poetics of Displacement' in the Fiction of Edwidge Danticat

Clarissa Clò: "When You Are Born It's a Crapshoot": Black Women Writers in Italy

Sumana Ray: Rise of the 'Liminal' Briton?: Writings by Black and Asian Women in Britain

Pacific Room

Identity Politics, Conceptual Writing, and Feminist Writing Strategies

Christine Wertheim: Essentialism: To Be or Not to Be

Vanessa Place: Notes on Conceptualisms: Feminist Poetics in an Anti-Poetics

Kristi Maxwell: Regenerative Poetics in Christine Hume's Musca Domestica

Marina Room A

Migration, Resistance, and Death in the Work of Latin American Women Writers

Zoe Brigley Thompson & Sorcha Gunne: Breaking the Bonds of Domination: Subverting the

Rape Script in Isabel Allende and Rosario Castellanos

Eliane T. A. Campello: Clarice's and Julia's Eve, by Adriana Lunardi

Marina Room B

Globalization and Technology in Asian, South Asian, and Asian-American Women's Writing

Josna Rege: New Media, Old Messages? Internet Identities and Novelistic Narration in Three

Contemporary South Asian Writers

Elaine Yee Lin Ho: Migrant Chinese Women Narratives

Carolyn Lee: The Digital Asian Body: Race and the Internet

Coronado Room: PANEL CANCELLED - PARTICIPANTS NO LONGER ATTENDING

What's So Funny/Criminal/Desirous?: Humor, Adaptation, and Teaching through Feminist Perspectives

Spring Houghton: Beyond Dick and Fart Jokes: Contemporary Feminist Humor

Sara Beam: Play Ball, Kid: What Chicago Can Say About Adaptation

Courtney Spohn: Teaching Laura Kipnis: Sex, Self, Learning, and the Role of Personal

Narrative

Bayside Room

Signifying Media: Gender, Community, Poetry

Lesley Wheeler: Virtual Communities: The Case of Wom-Po

Deborah M. Mix: "I beg to dicker": Harryette Mullen's Lyric Wordplay

Elizabeth Savage: The Relations between Poetry and Movies: Elizabeth Willis's *Turneresque*

Co-Chairs: Cynthia Hogue and Linda A. Kinnahan

Harbor Board Room

5:00 - 5:15 p.m. Break

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One Writer's Journey, introduced by Sandra Dijkstra

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Santa Rosa Room

Mothers, Loss, and Genre in Contemporary Women's Writing

Sonya Andermahr: Narratives of Maternal Loss in Contemporary Women's Writing

Eilene Hoft-March: Being at a Loss: Death, Mourning, and Ethics in Cixous' Benjamin à

Montaigne

Jenni Ramone: Telling Her Mother's Story: (Auto)biographies of Mothers in the Postcolonial

Diaspora

Chair: Mala Renganathan

Corona Room

Gender, Film, and Photography

Jane Eldridge Miller: The Economics of Independence in Kelly Reichardt's Wendy and Lucy

Tahneer Oksman: Deconstructing the Bunch: Aline Kominsky-Crumb's *Need More Love* and the

Mythological Self

Elizabeth Schewe: "There's No Place Like Home": Kimberly Peirce's Boys Don't Cry as

Feminist Road Movie

Pacific Room

Reproducing Reproduction: Body and Text in the Work of Nancy Huston, Larissa Lai, and Angela Carter

Kim Snowden: Monstrous Reproductions in *The Bloody Chamber*: Angela Carter's Feminist Fairy

Tales

Alessandra Capperdoni: Cells and Citizens: (Re)production, Subjectivity, and Technoscience in

Lai's Feminist Writing

Heather Latimer: Abortion, Infanticide, Abjection: Reproduction in Nancy Huston's Instruments of

Darkness

Marina Room A

Spaces of Selfhood in the Work of Isabel Allende, Rosa Montero, and Lucía Etxebarria

Karen Wooley Martin: Invented Geographies: Migrating Themes in Isabel Allende's Recent

Works

David F. Richter: Genre Trouble: Writing, Imagination, and Madness in Rosa Montero's

La loca de la casa

Iria Gonzalez-Liaño: The Feminist Universe of Lucía Etxebarria

Marina Room B

Canons, Plagiarism, and Constructions of "Post-Feminism"

Laura Louise Aull: Limits of the Canon Wars: Gender in the American Anthology Apparatus

Jenny Björklund: Bitter Cunt and the New Woman: A Reading of Maria Sveland's Novel

Mirjam Horn: Écriture Féminine Illégale in Kathy Acker's Plagiarist Fiction

Coronado Room

African American Theorizing: Audre Lorde and Toni Morrison

Bailee Chandler: Intersections of Identity: Lesbian Autobiography in the United States:

CANCELLED - NO LONGER ATTENDING

Ally Day: Queering Bodily Boundaries: How Audre Lorde's Use of Memoir and Personal Essay

Establish Black Feminist Political Theory

Aram Kouyoumdjian: Male Objectification, Female Identification, and Self-Gaze in *The Bluest*

Eve: A Re-Examination of Laura Mulvey's Theory of Visual Pleasure

Chair: Charles P. Toombs

Bayside Room

Emerging SDSU Undergraduate Scholars

Montserrat Hohnhorst: How Pop Culture Helped Women to "Escape" Franco's Fascism

Sophia Rivera: Louise Erdrich's Love Medicine

Jennifer Carter: The Face of New Feminism: Accessibility and the Rise of the Digital Age

Jennifer Gutierrez: Critical Intervention from the Publishing Punk Margins: An

Examination of Cristy C. Road's Bad Habits and Indestructible

Kyle Baudour: Microblogging

Chair: Pam Fox Kuhlken

Harbor Board Room

9:45 – 10:00 a.m. Break

10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Santa Rosa Room:

Plenary Reading by Rae Armantrout, Cristina Rivera-Garza, Anna Joy Springer, and Elizabeth Willis, introduced by Joanna Brooks

11:30 – 11:45 a.m. Break

11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Concurrent Panels

Santa Rosa Room

"Femme": Voices of Honey – Words of Power, a Participatory Workshop led by Spoken Word Artist and Teacher Melissa Noelle Green

Corona Room

Women's Fractured Lives: Fighting to Survive in Britain, France, and New Orleans

Suzanne Scafe: Papering over the Cracks: Journeys of Self-Possession in Black British Women's Autobiography

Julie Nack Ngue: Dis/abled Migrations: Negotiating Illness and Bodily Disorder in Contemporary France

Tanis Starck: Her Name Was Katrina: Life after the Storm

Pacific Room

Marina Room A

Gender, Spirituality, and Formal Experimentation in Contemporary Women's Writing

Gillian Alban: Lilith in Angela Carter, Toni Morrison, and Iris Murdoch

Nancy Peled: Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Café: A Quintessential Model of Modern Female Writing

Pam Fox Kuhlken: The Gospel Truth/s of Michèle Roberts: A Secret Gospel and a Memoir

Chair: Catherine Guthrie

Marina Room B

Women on the Move in the Work of Marilynne Robinson, Susan Choi, and Bharati Mukherjee

Karen Walker: Embracing Solitary Companionship and Female Autonomy: Revising the

Picaresque Tradition in *Housekeeping*

Jenny James: Underground Women: Visibility and Perspective in Susan Choi's American

Woman

Bhatt Mahesh Bharatkumar: The Emancipation of Immigrant Women in Bharati Mukherjee's

Jasmine

Chair: Chetana Pokhriyal

Coronado Room

Bayside Room

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1:00 – 1:15 p.m.

Santa Rosa Room

Conference Concluding Remarks: Susan Watkins

1:15 – 2:15 p.m.

Location to be determined

Private Meeting of Editors and Board Members of Contemporary Women's Writing

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