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THE DEPARTMENT OF ANGLO-AMERICAN AND GERMAN STUDIES and C. PETER MAGRATH RESEARCH CENTRE FOR CROSS-CULTURAL STUDIES

Call for Papers

EAST-WEST CULTURAL PASSAGE CONFERENCE:

THE INTERNATIONAL FAULKNER

Sibiu, 31 May – 1 June 2013

Half a century after William Faulkner's demise, his inciting works and artistic example still continue to challenge misconceptions and misappropriations. Faulkner's legacy equally keeps triggering heated debates and rebuttals, along with radical reappraisals. The present conference intends to be the first of a series of biennial events to examine the international relevance of Faulkner's works and their fecund worldwide impact, along with their centrality to American studies.

Keynote Speakers: Robert Hamblin (Southeast Missouri State University), "The International Faulkner"

Papers and panel proposals are invited in the following theoretical and pedagogical areas:

- Faulkner and the American Dream
- William Faulkner and Film
- Faulkner in Translation
- Faulkner's Literary Epigones
- The Critical Reception of Faulkner's Works
- Innovative Critical Approaches to Faulkner's Works
- Faulkner and Race
- Faulkner and Religion
- Teaching Faulkner
- Faulkner and War
- Narrative Techniques in Faulkner's Fiction
- Comparative Literature Approaches to Faulkner's Oeuvre

Academics from Romania and abroad, as well as undergraduate and graduate students, are encouraged to contribute 20-minute papers, which will then be considered for publication in *The Romanian Faulkner*, a proceedings volume, and the East/West Cultural Passage journal.

In addition to the keynote addresses and paper sessions, the conference will also include a workshop on how to read and assess William Faulkner's works, a special panel dedicated to teaching Faulkner in the university, as well as a translation contest for students, consisting in the translation of one of Faulkner's short-stories to be announced soon.

The three best papers submitted by students, as well as the three best translations will be awarded prizes consisting of books and cash. Student contest submissions should be sent as e-mail attachments to <u>conf.eastwest@ulbsibiu.ro</u> and must be received by 15 April 2013.

200-word abstracts should be emailed by 15 April 2013 to: <u>conf.eastwest@ulbsibiu.ro</u>. Proposals should also include the title of the paper/ panel, name and institutional affiliation, mailing address, phone no. and e-mail address.

Registration deadline: 30 April 2013.

Please direct your inquiries to Dr. Didi-Ionel Cenuser at <u>cdionez@yahoo.com</u> or 0754-458383 and to Dr Monica Cojocaru at <u>moni_cojocaru@yahoo.com</u>.

Conference fee: 40 Euros (it covers coffee breaks, lunches and the conference folder)

Conference venue:

Lucian Blaga University, Sibiu Faculty of Letters and Arts Department of Anglo-American and German Studies 5-7 Victoriei Bvd. Sibiu, 550024 Romania

For further details and updates, please visit our conference website:

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