Publications

Fischer, Iris Smith

Kofler, Silvia

Lester, Cheryl

Accepted for Publication

Kofler, Silvia
From the Suburbs With the Wedding Dress in Its Coffin (poetry collection). Lewiston, NY: Mellen Press. (This will be a dual-language book. German and English versions will appear on facing pages.)

Announcements, Notes, & News

• Michael L. Johnson has been awarded the Frederick Manfred Prize for 2002 by the Western Literature Association (for creative writing – in this case a collection of poems entitled “Southwestern Afflatus,” a section of a new book he is working on and from which he will read at the WLA Conference in Tucson this week).

• EAT Plays: Two original one-act plays by KU playwriting students will receive full mountings October 18-20 at the Lawrence Arts Center, 10th and Vermont. The venture is co-produced by KU’s English Alternative Theatre and Card Table Theatre of Lawrence. “Fatherland,” by Adam Merker, and “18 Seconds,” by David Huffman, were both written for Paul Stephen Lim’s playwriting class in the Department. Because the Lawrence Arts Center space was only available over Fall Break, EAT requests extra help in encouraging potential audience members to attend these performances. Both plays will be directed by Jeremy Auman. These are official entries in the various Michael Kanin playwriting competitions of the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival. $5 General Admission. Call 864-3642 for reservations. See “Calendar” for production times.

• The P&T Files of Byron Caminero-Santangelo and Kathryn Conrad will be available for review beginning 11 October in 3108 Wescoe (except during classes or meetings in that room). A key can be obtained from any of the denizens of 3116 Wescoe.

• Careers For English Majors: A panel of English alumni will discuss the advantages of an English major in the job market. Explore the career options open to English graduates. Sponsored by the English Department and University Career and Employment Services. 15 October, 7:00 pm, Kansas Room, Kansas Union.

• Award-winning Cuban American novelist Cristina Garcia will visit the University of Kansas and present a public reading of her works on the evening of Tuesday, 22 October, at 7:30 pm in the Malott Room of the Kansas Union. All are encouraged to attend, and you are encouraged to inform your students about this reading. In addition, faculty and graduate students are invited to a “Conversation With the Author” at the Hall Center Conference Room at 4:00 pm on October 22. On October 23, Garcia will visit Marta Caminero-Santangelo’s Latina writers class, in 4025 Wescoe; members of the campus community are invited to attend (no classes, please, since the room seats only 70).

Cristina Garcia was born in Havana and raised in New York. Her first novel, Dreaming in Cuban, was nominated for the National Book Award, and her second, The Aguero Sisters, has been widely admired by critics and readers. Her work illustrates the complexities of a dual cultural identity, its benefits, drawbacks, and penalties. She is the recipient of a Guggenheim Fellowship, A Whiting Writer’s Award, and a Princeton University Fellowship. Cristina Garcia is our second English Department Lecturers and Readers presenter of the 2002-2003 academic year.

• Victoria Dorshorn, one of our KU English Lecturers, has won the 2002 Word Journal Poetry Prize for her poem “Duende.” She will receive a cash award and publication in a future issue.

KU and Regional Events

• University Theatre presents Shakespeare’s The Two Gentlemen of Verona, directed by John Gronbeck-Tedesco, October 11, 12, 7:30 pm, Crafon-Preyer Theatre, Murphy Hall, University of Kansas.

Calendar

F 11 CTE Lunch & Conversation, “Teaching Large Classes: Strategies and Support,” Pete Casagrande, English, Diane Founy, French & Italian, Jim Woelffl, Humanities and Western Civilization, Noon - 1:00 pm, 135 Budig Hall.

M 14 The British Seminar, “Paving and Policing in Eighteenth-Century Westminster,” Elaine Reynolds, William Jewell College, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Conference Room. Co-sponsored by the Department of English.

T 15 Before 1500 Seminar, “Corrupt Plautus,” Richard Hardin. English, 4:00-5:30 pm, Hall Center Conference Room.

Careers For English Majors, panel discussion, 7:00 pm, English Room, Kansas Union.

R 17 Fall Break begins.

F 18- EAT Original Plays, 18, 19 October, 8 pm, 20 October, 2:30 pm, Lawrence Arts Center, 940 New Hampshire (See “Announcements” for details)

On Thursday, 24 October, 4:00 pm, 4019 Wescoe, the Associate and Full Professors will meet to discuss the promotion and tenure candidates of Kathryn Conrad and Byron Caminero-Santangelo. Files should be available today.
• **Hall Center Faculty Lunches** will be held on Wednesdays in October. Lunch is available from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm. Soup, bread from Wheatfields, fruit, and a drink are available for $5. Two soups (one vegetarian)

• **Humanities Lecture Series 2002-2003**, “Guns, Germs, and Steel: The Fates of Human Societies,” Jared Diamond, Professor of Physiology, UCLA School of Medicine (and author of the book of the same name), 24 October, 7:30 pm, Lied Center.


• **Resume Doctor**, a service of University Career and Employment Services, available 11 October, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm, Kansas Union Lobby.

• **Integrity in Research and Scholarship**, Graduate School Fall Workshop, presented by University of Kansas Graduate School and The Madison and Lila Self Graduate Fellowship, 22 October, 8:30 am-12:30 pm. RSVP by noon on 18 October to 864-4141 or <gradschool@ku.edu>. Open to graduate faculty, graduate support staff, and graduate students.

### Calls For Papers, Conferences, Symposia, Etc. (Posted)

• **Washburn University Center for Kansas Studies Faculty Colloquium: Brown v. Board of Education**, Spring 2003, common readings beginning 3-7 February, paper presentations beginning 3-7 March. The Center seeks faculty and guest scholars to participate in this colloquium. Those wishing to participate should propose a draft of a paper, $500 compensation for successful participation. Proposals and applications should be sent to the Center c/o Tom Averill. Deadline: 8 November. See posted brochure for additional details. Tom also welcomes suggestion for the days and times of the colloquium.

• **Shakespeare and Renaissance Association of West Virginia**, 4-5 April 2003, Davis & Elkins College. Deadline: 31 January.

• **Tropology: Text and Context**, 14th Annual Department of Romance Languages and Literatures Conference, 21-22 March 2003, Binghamton University. Deadline: 15 November.

### Fellowships, Scholarships, Awards, Contests, Etc. (Posted)

• **Schomburg Center For Research in Black Culture Scholars in Residence Program**, open to scholars studying the history, literature, and culture of peoples of African descent from a humanistic perspective. Deadline: 2 December.

• **Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad Program** application packages are now available. See <http://www.ed.gov/offices/HEP/iegps/sap.html>. Deadline: 4 November.

• **Call for University of Kansas Distinguished Teaching Award Nominations: Fink Awards** (two) for individuals at the assistant or associate professor level; **Silver Anniversary Award** (one) for tenure-track assistant professors who have not yet been awarded tenure. Faculty may be nominated by any student, student organization, alumnus, colleague, department, or school. Details posted. Deadline: 22 November.

• **Stanford Humanities Fellows**, postdoctoral fellowships. Deadline: 2 December.


• **Sabbatical Fellowships in the Humanities and Social Sciences**, American Philosophical Society, 20 fellowships to supplement sabbatical awards. Deadline: 1 November.


### Other Opportunities

• The Friends of the Lawrence Public Library will hold their **Annual Book Sale** in the tent at 7th and Kentucky, 4 October-12 October, additional titles shelved daily. Great selection in all categories. See poster on “Events This Week” bulletin board for more details.

• **Maryemma Graham** writes: “House for rent: Great location (a few steps from campus); bright, sunny and lots of bookshelves; three bedrooms, upstairs sun room, downstairs sun porch; expansive back yard with garage; basement that makes a perfect study/rec room; washer, dryer and all appliances at a price you can’t beat (lawn/yard care is included with the rent). I hate to leave but I really must go! 1732 Mississippi. Available (almost) immediately. Contact Maryemma Graham, evenings at 842-3448 or office 864-2557. Landlord would prefer teaching staff (including GTAs) or couple.

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**Bouncer Trivia**

Those of you on KUENGLISH-L received a call for volunteer “bouncers” for the New Faculty Reception held last Tuesday (the locked doors needed to be supervised as guests arrived). One volunteer claimed experience at this task. This member of the Senior Staff once served as a bouncer at a party thrown for the Manuscript Society (donors) at the Princeton University Library. Can you name him/her? Guesses will be compiled in the office of the DN2 (3116 Wescoe — ask for the society columnist) and winners as well as our mystery faculty member will be announced and revealed next week.