



Syracuse Rhet/Comp Specialist Selected for Langston Hughes Professorship

Adam Banks, Assistant Professor of Writing and Rhetoric at Syracuse University, has been chosen as the **2010 Langston Hughes Visiting Professor** at the University of Kansas. Professor Banks will teach two classes in the English Department this coming spring semester. Banks received his Ph.D. from Penn State University in 2003. He has taught at Syracuse since that time. He is the author of *Race, Rhetoric, and Technology: Searching for Higher Ground* (Lawrence Erlbaum Associates/National Council of Teachers of English), which won the *Computers and Composition* Distinguished Book Award in 2006. His research and teaching interests include rhetoric and composition, rhetoric and technology, new literacies, African American rhetoric, and technical communication. He will teach a graduate seminar, ENGL 904, entitled "Digital Griots: Story, History, Technology, and an African American Rhetoric." His undergraduate course, ENGL 590, is entitled "Life, Love, Liberation: Introduction to African American Rhetoric." In his communications with the scheduling officer, Professor Banks expressed excitement at the opportunity to live and teach in Lawrence as the newest Langston Hughes Visiting Professor.



Adam Banks

Publications

Harrington, Joseph

"5:03 pm CST, 12/21" and "7:36 am CST 12/22" (poems). *Fact-Simile* 2.1 (2009): 34-35. <<http://www.fact-simile.com/Fact-simile%20S09.pdf>>.

Stone, Mary (with Russell E. Phillips III and David Lukoff)

"Integrating the Spirit within Psychosis: Alternative Conceptualizations of Psychotic Disorders," *The Journal of Transpersonal Psychology* 42.1 (2009).

Presentations

Moriarty, Laura

Panel discussion (with novelists Curtis Sittenfeld and Stewart O'Nan). The Big Read, St. Louis, MO, 10 October.

Announcements, Notes, and News

• **Caryn Mirriam-Goldberg** (Ph.D. 1996), current poet laureate of Kansas, will launch her new memoir, *The Sky Begins at Your Feet*, 17-18 October, Lawrence Arts Center. Numerous events. Call the Arts Center for details.

• **Kathleen Johnson** (M.F.A. 2008) is the editor and publisher of a new journal, *New Mexico Poetry Review*. Johnson, wife of FSE Director **Michael L. Johnson**, will oversee a contributors' reading that will launch the new publication on 15 October in Santa Fe, NM. Kathleen Johnson is the author of a collection of poems, *Burn* (Woodley Press, 2008).

• **SAGE** will be participating in a volunteer opportunity on **National Make a Difference Day** (24 October), collecting cans at the KU-OU football game (time not yet announced). Other Department members are welcome to participate. If you are interested, please contact **Ali Brox** at <alibrox@ku.edu>.

• Ph.D. student **Jason Barrett-Fox** has been selected as a member of the **Kansas Humanities Council's Speakers Bureau** for 2010-2011, as it celebrates Kansas at 150. At times and places yet to be determined, he will deliver a presentation entitled "The Haldeman-Julius Empire: A Look Inside Kansas' (and the World's) Largest Publishing Company, 1915-1941."

Calendar

M 19 Andrew West, DPR, 10:30 am, 3001A Wescoe (Hartman, Irby, Valk)

Advisory Committee Meeting, 4:15 pm, 3001A Wescoe. Agenda: 1) Graduate Committee proposal for Ph.D. defense (revised); 2) online courses and specific course proposal; 3) 802 issues; 4) MFA Director's relationship to Advisory Committee; 5) 20th-day figures (if questions).

Philosophy & Literature Seminar, "Presenting the Unrepresentable" Edmund Burke, Jean-Francois Lyotard, and the Postmodern Sublime," **Julianne Buchsbaum**, English Bibliographer, KU Libraries, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Seminar Room.

T 20 FSE Workshop, "Peer Review," 4:00-5:15 pm, 4012 Wescoe.

James E. Seaver Lecture, "Documenting the Undocumented: Stories of Migration, Border Crossing, and Unbelonging," **Marta Caminero-Santangelo**, English, 8:00 pm, Alderson Auditorium, Kansas Union. Sponsored by Humanities and Western Civilization Program.

W 21 Cedric Burrows, DPR, 1:00 pm, 3001A Wescoe (Farmer, Graham, Miller)

R 22 Samantha Bell, Ph.D Dissertation Defense, 4:00 pm, 3001A Wescoe, (Atkins, Irby, Johnson, Valk, Marsh).

T 27 Associate/Full Professors Meeting to discuss and vote on 2009-2010 promotion and tenure candidacies, 4:00 pm, 4019 Wescoe.

SAGE Professionalization Workshop featuring **Pat McQueeney** (Ph.D. 1995), English, Johnson County Community College; **Jason Barrett-Fox**, English, 4:00 pm, 4033 Wescoe.

R 29 John F. Eberhardt Memorial Lecture, "Morality and Cultural Literacy: What Role Does Morality Play in Writing Culture," **David Treuer**, English and Creative Writing, University of Minnesota, 7:30 pm, Alderson Auditorium.

KU and Regional Events

- **Health & Humanities Seminar**, “The Use of Categories of Race in American Medicine during the Era of Racial Science,” Christopher Crenner, History and Philosophy of Medicine, KUMC, 20 October, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Seminar Room.
- **American Seminar**, “Learning to be Illegal: Undocumented Youth and the Confusing and Contradictory Routes to Adulthood,” Roberto Gonzales, School of Social Work, University of Washington, 21 October, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Seminar Room.
- **CTE: Lunch and Conversation**, “Integrative Learning,” 12-1:30 pm, 135 Budig Hall.
- **Hall Center Humanities Lecture Series**, “We’re Number 37! Why Other Countries Have Better, Fairer, and Cheaper Health Care than the USA,” T. R. Reid, healthcare critic and commentator for NPR’s Morning Edition, 22 October, 7:30 pm, Woodruff Auditorium, Kansas Union.

- **KS Writers, Inc.** presents Kim Killion (www.kimberlykillion.com), who will speak about the road to getting published. Topeka writer Angela Johnson (recent two-book contract) will join Killion, 24 October, 9:30 am, Shawnee County - Topeka Public Library. \$10, but charge will be waived for KU students. The group is also interested in possible future readers or speakers from KU.

Calls for Papers, Conferences, Symposia, Etc. (Posted)

- **University of Kansas 2010 Digital Humanities Summit**, 8-9 March 2010, University of Kansas Memorial Union. Deadline: 15 December.

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

- **Sherwood Anderson Fiction Award** and **James Wright Poetry Award**, sponsored by *Mid-American Review*. Deadline: 31 October.