National Poetry Series Taps Buchsbaum Collection

KU Humanities Librarian Juliane Buchsbaum has been notified that her collection of poetry, *With Venom and Wonder*, was selected as one of five winners in the National Poetry Series Open Competition sponsored by *Poets & Writers Magazine*. Buchsbaum’s work was the choice of Penguin Books judge Lucie Brock-Broido. Accordingly, Penguin will publish her manuscript in Summer 2012. Buchsbaum will also receive a $1000 cash prize. In a KU news release, Buchsbaum described the collection as “a series of meditations on landscapes of our postmodern world — a sickbed, a forest, a gas station, a bomb shelter, a rest stop along a highway — in which the frailty of human connectedness is explored.” Julie, as she is known to the many English faculty and graduate students who have received her assistance as “our” librarian, earned an MFA degree from the Iowa Writers Workshop in 1999, a Master of Library and Information Science degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 2002, and a Ph.D. in Literature from the University of Missouri in 2008, the same year she was appointed to her current position with KU Libraries.

Publications

Gunn, James

Presentations

Anatol, Giselle
Invited lecture. “Harry Potter vs. Team Jacob/Edward – A Master’s Tea with Giselle Anatol,” Ezra Stiles College, Yale University, New Haven, CT, 10 October.

Accepted for Publication

Evans, Stephen F.

Mckitterick, Chris
“John W. Campbell: The Man Who Invented Modern Fantasy and the Golden Age of Science Fiction” (essay). *Argentus*.

Announcements, Notes, & News

- There will be a Department-sponsored Workshop/Panel Discussion on Tuesday, 25 October, 4:00-5:00 pm, in 4019 Wescoe. Professors Philip Barnard, Joe Harrington, Susan K. Harris, and Marta Caminero-Santangelo will lead this discussion. The purpose of the workshop is to orient students about the basics concerning Ph.D. exam lists and rationales, in order to guide students who are starting the process. Discussion will address both practical issues (where do I start; how exactly does one go about it) and the longer-term goals and possible utility of the process.

- The KU Honors Program newsletter, *The Honoread*, featured English and University Honors Lecturer Mary Klayder in its September 2011 issue. The article highlighted Klayder’s extraordinary teaching, advising, and service endeavors throughout her long career at KU.

- Author Kij Johnson will be reading and signing at Jayhawk Ink on Tuesday, October 18, from 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm. Kij has won the Sturgeon Award, World Fantasy Award, and Nebula Award, and has been nominated multiple times for the Hugo Award and others. Kij is Associate Director of CSSF and teaches our summer Speculative Fiction Novel Writing Workshop.

KU and Regional Events

- University Theatre presents *Shakespeare in Hollywood*, by Ken Ludwig, 13-15 October, 7:30 pm, 16 October, 2:30 pm.

Calendar

F 14 Beecher’s Fall Soiree and Fundraiser, 7:00-9:00 pm, 941 Missouri St. Beecher’s is the graduate student-run literary magazine created by the KU English MFA program.

N 16 Taproom Reading Series featuring Joseph Wood, English, University of Alabama, and Iris Moulton, English + open mic, 5:00 pm, Eighth Street Taproom, 19 E. 8th St.

T 18 Humanities Lecture Series, “Will School Reform Improve the Schools?” Diane Ravitch, Education, NYU, 7:30 pm, Woodruff Auditorium, Kansas Union.

Fiction Reading by Kij Johnson, Associate Director, Center for the Study of Science Fiction, 1:30-3:00 pm, Jayhawk Ink, Kansas Union.

Voting Department Meeting, 4:00 pm, 4019 Wescoe.
Agenda: 1) vote on DGS candidate; 2) Chair position announcement; 3) Faculty Evaluation Committee composition proposal; 4) WGSS track; 5) CSSF presentation; 6) Center for Online and Distance Learning report.
• **TGIF**, 14 October, 4:00-5:30 pm, Adams Alumni Center.

• **CTE Event**, “Using Student Portfolios to Deepen Learning,” Dan Bernstein, CTE/Psychology; Patricia Hawley, Psychology, 17 October, 12-1 pm, 135 Budig.

• **Humanities Lecture Series**, “A Conversation with Diane Ravitch,” 19 October, 10:00 am, Hall Center Conference Hall.

• **Hall Center Special Lecture**, “Lyndon Johnson and Vietnam: The Rhetoric of War and Peace,” David Zarefsky, Communication Studies, Northwestern University, 20 October, 3:00 pm, Dole Institute of Politics.

• **Latin American Seminar**, “Migration, Diaspora, and Cosmopolitanism: Otavalan Communities on the Move,” Michelle Wibbelsman, Latin American Studies, University of Texas, Austin, 21 October, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Seminar Room.


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

• **Mimesis Now**, 5-7 April 2012, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY. Deadline: 15 October.

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

• **Narrative30Below Contest**, for writers, artists, photographers, performers, filmmakers between 18 and 30. Deadline: 29 October.