



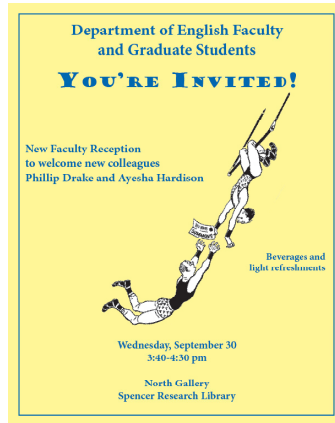
New Faculty Reception

Although some of us had the good fortune to meet or work with **Phillip Drake** and **Ayesha Hardison** last year, KU English has not formally welcomed them to the faculty.

Drake, an assistant professor, joined us mid-year, in January 2015, after completing commitments with the Program on the Global Environment at the University of Chicago.

Hardison served as KU's Fall 2014 Langston Hughes Visiting Professor, but escaped back to Ohio University for a semester before returning to a joint associate professorship with tenure in English/Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies.

Drake jets off to Indonesia whenever he gets the chance and Hardison, after a courageous barely-ambulatory appearance at the August Senior Staff retreat, has been somewhat under the radar recovering from that nasty ankle sprain she suffered while moving to Lawrence. Both, however, have vowed to attend the **2015-2016 English Department New Faculty Reception**, so we hope many English faculty members and graduate students will be there to officially bless their arrival, the Pope having gone home by then. The reception will begin at 3:30 pm in the North Gallery of the Spencer Research Library, beverages and light refreshments will be served, the Chair will say a few words at 4:00, and we'll scatter abroad at 4:30. Come rub elbows with new colleagues!



Publications

Devitt, Amy

"Crossing the Boulevard: The Action of 'Genre as Social Action,'" *Composition Forum* 31 (Spring 2015): <http://compositionforum.com/issue/31/devitt-retrospective.php>.

Fischer, Iris Smith

"Paradoxes of Reason and Inquiry in the Aesthetics of Francois Delsarte," *Semiotics 2014: The Semiotics of Paradox*, ed. Jamin Pelkey, Stephanie Walsh Matthews, and Leonard G. Sbrocchi (Toronto; Legas, 2015): 107-118.

Harrington, Joseph

"Sea Change" (poem). *Re:Members* (art exhibition catalog). Kansas City: Kansas City Artists Coalition, 2015. n.p. Print.

KU and Regional Events

• **CTE Event**, "Defining a First-Year Seminar Topic," with Sarah Crawford-Parker and Alison Olcott Marshall, 28 September, 12:00-1:00 pm, 135 Budig.

• **Latin America & Its Diasporas Seminar**, "Path to Citizenship, Path to Deportation: The Political Economy of Local Immigration Policies in the U.S.," Gary Reich, Political Science, 28 September, 3:30-5:00 pm.

• **Conflict & International Change Seminar**, "Radical Kinetics: The Dynamics of Conflict in Nazi Europe," Andrew Denning, History, 1 October, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Seminar Room.

• **Early Modern Seminar**, "The Heroic Imaginary of the Tournament in the Thun Album," Chassica Kirchoff, Art History, 5 October, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Seminar Room.

• **Protecting the Vote Symposium**, two panels and a keynote event featuring Stephen McCallister, Law, and Kris Kobach, Kansas Secretary of State, 8 October, begins at 1:00 pm, keynote event at 5:30 pm, Hall Center Conference Hall.

Calendar

M 28- SAGE Bookfair, 9:00 am-5:00 pm, Wescoe Beach.

W 30 Paperbacks \$1, Hardcover \$2.

T 29 What Can the Hall Center Do for You? Information sessions for new faculty in their first three years in the humanities, arts, and social sciences. Numerous topics, including "Faculty Seminars," **Jonathan Lamb**, English, and "Fall Faculty Colloquium," **Byron Santangelo**, English.

W 30 English Department New Faculty Reception to officially welcome **Ayesha Hardison** and **Phillip Drake**, 3:30-4:30 pm, North Gallery, Spencer Research Library.

Creative Writing Graduate Student Reading Series features **Alyse Bense**, **Mark Jaskowski**, and **Tim Lantz**, 7:00 pm, Decade Coffee, 920 Delaware.

R 1 Gender Seminar, "Gender-Blending the Trickster: Anansi Folklore in Literature of the African Diaspora," **Giselle Anatol**, English, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Seminar Room.

F 2 Lecture and Book Signing, "Interplanetary Economics in the 21st Century," **Gregory Benford**, Astrophysics (Emeritus), University of California - Irvine, and award-winning science fiction author, 4:00-5:30 pm, Jayhawk Ink, KU Bookstore. Co-sponsored by the Gunn Center for the Study of Science Fiction in KU English.

F 9 Nature & Culture Seminar, "Fueling Culture: Energy, History, Politics," **Jennifer Wenzel**, English, Columbia University, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Seminar Room.

Kenneth Irby Memorial Service, 4:00 pm, Kansas Room, Kansas Union.

• **The Urban Experience Seminar**, “Abandoned Cities in the Urban Midwest,” Jennifer Hamer, American Studies/African & African American Studies, 8 October, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Seminar Room.

• **The George Bennett Fellowship at Phillips Exeter Academy**, stipend, housing, meals, and benefits for fellow (and family) for one year. Deadline: 30 November.

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

• **Settlement House American Poetry Prize**, for book-length manuscripts by first generation American poets. Deadline: 1 December.