THE THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE
T. S. Eliot Society
FEATURING
THE 2015
T. S. ELIOT MEMORIAL LECTURE
by
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25 – 27 SEPTEMBER 2015
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI
PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Friday, September 25

Events of the first day will be held on the campus of Washington University.

9:00 – 12:00  Board of Directors Meeting
              Coffee Room, Duncker Hall

10:00 – 12:00 Peer Seminar
              Room 310, Ridgley Hall

“Prufrock” at 100

Chair: Cassandra Laity, U of Tennessee, Knoxville

Participants:

Joon-Soo Bong, Seoul National U
Elisabeth Däumer, Eastern Michigan U
Nancy Gish, U of Southern Maine
Deborah Leiter-Nyabuti, Clark U
William Malcuit, U of Wisconsin, Washington Co.
Yvette Mylett, Loyola U, Maryland
Jayme Stayer, John Carroll U

—No auditors, please—
10:00 – 12:00  Scholars Seminar
Room 126, Busch Hall
Chair: Matthew Seybold, Elmira C
Participants:
Hyonbin Choi, U of Wisconsin-Madison
Katherine Hobbs, U of Missouri
Megan Poole, Texas Christian U
John Rogers, Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, Pittsburgh
—No auditors, please—

12:00 – 1:30  Registration
Duncker Hall

1:30  President’s Welcome
Hurst Lounge, Duncker Hall
Michael Coyle, Colgate U

1:45 – 2:15  Inaugural Lecture
“Eliot and the Great War”
Vincent Sherry, Washington U

2:30 – 4:00  Panel Session I
Chair: Anita Patterson, Boston U
“Proletarian Prufrock”
Suzanne Churchill, Davidson C
“Knowing ‘The Anguish of the Marrow’: Eliot, Corporeality, and the Modern Rhetoric of Illness”
Annarose Steinke, U of New Mexico
“Skin Deep: Prufrock and Epidermal Barriers”
John Tamilio III, Salem State U
Thirty-Sixth Annual
T. S. Eliot Memorial Lecture
Chair: Michael Coyle, Colgate U

“Capes and Continents: Eliot’s Frontier and the Rhetoric of Decline”

Jed Esty
Vartan Gregorian Professor of English
University of Pennsylvania

5:30 – 6:30
Reception
Sponsored by the Department of English
Washington University

Dinner ad lib
See conference folder for options

Saturday, September 26
Morning and afternoon events will be held at the St. Louis Woman’s Club, 4600 Lindell Blvd.

9:00 – 10:30
Panel Session II
Chair: David Chinitz, Loyola U Chicago

“Critical Scrutiny: Eliot and F. R. Leavis”
Christopher McVey, Boston U

“Satire and the ‘human engine’ of The Waste Land”
Kevin Rulo, Catholic U

David Huisman, Grand Valley State U
### Panel Session III

**Chair:** John Whittier-Ferguson, U of Michigan

- **“Eliot’s ‘Afternoon’ in the British Museum”**  
  Michael Coyle, Colgate U
- **“Eliot’s Borders: Europe, America, and Asia”**  
  Joon-Soo Bong, Seoul National U
  Nancy Hargrove, Mississippi State U

### Society Luncheon

**Ballroom**

**12:30 – 1:50**

### Panel Session IV

**Chair:** Chris Buttram, Winona State U

- **“The Philosophical Formation of the Young Artist”**  
  J. C. Marler, St. Louis U
- **“Eliot, R. G. Collingwood, and Alasdair MacIntyre’s Idea of Tradition”**  
  J. W. Case, St. Louis U
- **“Aesthetic Concerns and Ethical Perspectives in Eliot’s Early Work”**  
  Yangsoon Kim, Korea U

*Evening events will be held at the home of Tony and Melanie Fathman, 4967 Pershing Place*

**5:30**  
**Cocktails**

**6:00**  
**Announcements**

**6:30**  
**Society Dinner**
Sunday, September 27
Events on Sunday will be held at the First Unitarian Church, 5007 Waterman Blvd.

10:00 – 11:30  Panel Session V
Meeting Room

Chair: Anthony Cuda, UNC Greensboro
“Residues of Aristophanic Choric Elements in ‘The Hollow Men’”
   Joshua Richards, Williams Baptist C
“The American Broadcast of Murder in the Cathedral and the Sound of Preaching”
   Fabio Vericat, U Complutense de Madrid
“The Stranger Revisited in Eliot’s The Cocktail Party”
   Carol Yang, National Chengchi U, Taipei, Taiwan

11:45 – 12:15  Concluding Session
Meeting Room

Eliot Aloud: Readings of Eliot’s Works
Chair: Julia Daniel, Baylor U

T. S. Eliot Memorial Lecturers

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The T. S. Eliot Society is an international organization of scholars and others interested in the life and work of Eliot. It was founded in 1980 to provide fellowship and enrichment of understanding, and as a focus for commemorating Eliot in the city of his birth, St. Louis.

The Society publishes its newsletter, *Time Present*, three times yearly, and it sponsors annual sessions at MLA, SAML, ALA, and the Louisville Conference on Literature & Culture since 1900. To subscribe or to submit news for publication in *Time Present*, please contact the Society at tseliotsociety@gmail.com. To inquire about reviewing a book or having a book reviewed, please contact John Morgenstern (jdmorgens@gmail.com). To subscribe to the Society’s listserv, please contact Cyrena Pondrom (cpondrom@english.wisc.edu).

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