

Society for the Study of the American Short Story

Call for Papers

The Society for the Study of the American Short Story invites proposals for papers to be presented at the American Literature Association conference in Boston, May 23-26, 2019.

This year the society will sponsor an open panel devoted to the American short story in any period and dealing with any subject. Papers may present an analysis of a single story or discuss a movement, period, or collection of interrelated works. We are simply looking for the best three papers for presentation. We will also evaluate them for development into full articles for the first issue of *Studies in the American Short Story*.

The second panel will be a roundtable discussion of Major Contributions to the American Short Story, a consideration of the important developments in the history of the genre, including contributions minority writers have made to the tradition. No one is to read a paper; the discussion format requires that panelists will speak extemporaneously and for no more than five minutes.

The audience is encouraged to join in the conversation by making comments and asking questions.

Proposals should consist of two paragraphs, one devoted to the central subject and thesis of the presentation and one giving the academic credentials of the speaker. Full papers will also be considered, but they should be limited to presentation length, no more than 10 pp.

Please send all papers and proposals to the president of SSASS, Jim Nagel, at jnagel@uga.edu. The deadline for submissions is January 10, 2019.