

English Department Newsletter

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DEPARTMENT AND FACULTY NEWS

CAROLYN MARCILLE, PhD “had the best spring break on record!” She earned Distinction on her defense of her dissertation, “Technology and Colonial Power in South Asian Postcolonial Literature and Science Fiction,” and she received the Outstanding Graduate Student Research Award.

This June and July, **ANGELA FULK** will be attending an NEH Summer Institute on “Teaching *Beowulf* in the Context of Old Norse Literature” at Kalamazoo. Last month she attended the 47th annual NeMLA convention in Hartford, CT, March 17-20. In her capacity as Area Director for Professional Development and Pedagogy, she organized and presided over a successful panel on “Publishing in Peer-Reviewed Journals” that also featured **MARK FULK** and **LORNA PEREZ**, as well as Laurence Roth, the editor of *Modern Language Studies*. Angela also presented in a different workshop on the topic “Benefits and Limitations of a Union” for adjunct faculty.



THE DROP HAMMER STUDENT READING SERIES

TOMORROW!
April 7th

Ketchum 320 | 4:30pm

Theme:
New Beginnings



Special Guest
Ed Taylor

Free and Open to the Public



Lots of other news this week from **LORNA PEREZ**: On March 3, she led a discussion of Louise Erdrich’s *The Round House* with the Just Buffalo Writing Center, which works with high school age emerging writers. When Erdrich came to visit for the BABEL series, the students met with her in a small group setting and asked questions, many of which were inspired by this earlier session. At the NeMLA meeting, in addition to participating in the publishing panel, Lorna co-chaired a seminar on The Multi-generational Latino Novel and read a paper entitled “Haunted Generations: Nation Building and Possession in Rosario Ferre’s *The*

House on the Lagoon." Her flash fiction/poetry piece "Substitute Geographies" is forthcoming in the Spring 2016 Issue of [Label me Latina](#). Her paper "Disrupting Time: A Theory of Haunting in *Their Dogs Came With Them*" has been accepted for the Latino Studies Association Conference this summer in Pasadena, CA. Finally, with Ruth Goldman Lorna is leading the Women and Gender Studies book club for students. They are reading Maggie Nelson's *The Argonauts* in anticipation of her visit to the Just Buffalo Studio reading series on April 29 at the Karpeles Manuscript Museum (admission is free).

At the 2016 AWP Convention in Los Angeles on April 2, **JENNIFER RYAN** spoke on a panel honoring late poet Jayne Cortez. The panel, entitled "Out of LA: A Tribute to Jayne Cortez (1936-2012)," also included poet-critics Laura Hinton and Aldon Nielsen, performance artist Pam Ward, and poet Patricia Spears Jones.

JOEY NICOLETTI reports that his latest poetry chapbook, *Wide Asleep*, will be published this summer. He has new poems forthcoming in *Two Bridges Review*, *Valparaiso Poetry Review*, and *Cacti Fur*, and the anthologies *Poet Sounds: A Poetry Anthology Inspired by The Beach Boys' Album Pet Sounds* and *Two Countries: Daughters and Sons of Immigrant Parents*. Joey's review of Joseph Benevento's poetry collection, *Expecting Songbirds: Selected Poems 1983-2015* will appear in the next issue of *Voices in Italian Americana*.

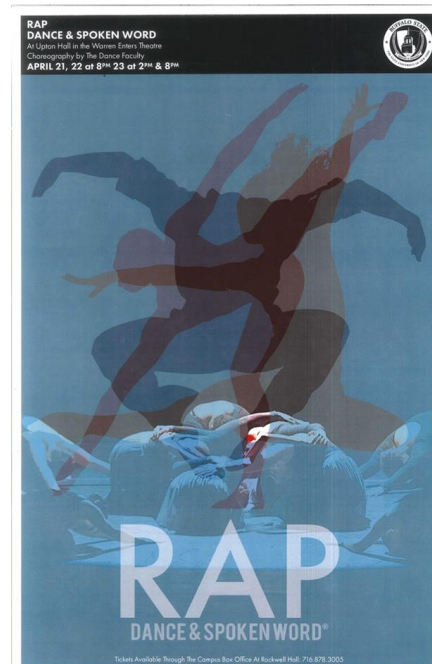
STUDENT AND ALUMNI NEWS

The Buffalo Small Press Book Fair will be held on April 9 and 10 at the Karpeles Manuscript Museum, from 11 am to 5 pm each day. On April 9, English Education student **NATHAN STOLTE** and **RACHEL L. JOHNSON BA '08** will read from their work: Nathan will read at 2 pm, Rachel at 2:20 pm.

STACY CREECH MA '15 will be attending McMaster University's PhD program in English and Cultural Studies, where she has been awarded a highly-competitive Ontario Trillium Scholarship.

RACHEL KELCHLIN BA '16 has been accepted into the master's programs at the University of Rochester, Stony Brook University, Fordham University, Northeastern University and the University at Buffalo.

Writing major **STEVEN JURA** will read from his fiction and English Education majors **SPENCER**



MILIOTTO and KARINA SEVERINO will give a poster presentation on “Making Student Podcasts from Authentic Student Writing” to supporters of the School of Arts and Humanities as part of the A&H Contributors Celebration in Upton Hall, Thursday, April 21 at 5:45 pm.

EVENTS AND REMINDERS

The English MA Program will host a **career planning panel discussion** at which recent MA and MS graduates will talk about what they have done with their degrees. Undergraduate students are also invited! Speaking will be: JAMES COLOMBO, technical writer at BAK USA; DEBRA GOODMAN, member relations manager at the Buffalo Museum of Science; ANGELA LAMBRIX, school media specialist/librarian at Tapestry Charter School; AIMEE LEVESQUE, adjunct professor in English and Ph.D. candidate at UB; and LINDA MROZ, team manager for the Buffalo Beauts. The panel will be held **TODAY, Wednesday, April 6, at 6 pm in Ketchum 320**. Our five panelists will discuss their educational experiences and their careers, answer questions, and mingle with us as we enjoy refreshments. Please to join us!



DEADLINES AND OPPORTUNITIES: For Students

The Buffalo office of **U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand is looking for interns for the 2016 Fall Semester**. Typical intern duties include supporting staff with constituent outreach and advocacy events, participating in meetings with community leaders and organizations, monitoring daily regional news, and serving as an advocate on behalf of Buffalo for the Senator. Interns may apply for college credit through their department or college career office. Deadline is **June 3**. An application is available at <http://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/services/internships/>. Contact Kapila Kapoor at (716) 854-9725 or Kapila_Kapoor@gillibrand.senate.gov for more information.

RECOMMENDED READING

For information on the new citation formats approved by MLA, check out the article at [*Inside Higher Education*](#).

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