



Twain and Imperialism

In May, Oxford University Press published Hall Distinguished Professor **Susan K. Harris**'s new book, *God's Arbiters: Americans and the Philippines, 1898-1902*. On Thursday, 15 September, Harris will give a brief talk about her book with some reference to contemporary topics such as U.S. global relations and the fusion of Protestant Christian and American identities. A book signing and reception will follow. See "Calendar" for place and time. Co-sponsored by the Department of English and the Hall Center for the Humanities.



Susan Harris

Dates to Anticipate

Voting Department Meetings (normal agendas), 20 September, 18 October, 15 November, 4:00 pm, 4019 Wescoe.

Voting Department Meeting with Deans (to discuss external review), 4 October, 4:00 pm, 4019 Wescoe.

Full Professors Meeting (promotion discussion and vote), 5 October, 12:30-1:45 pm, 3001 A Wescoe.

Undergraduate Reading Series, 27 September, 7-8:30 pm, Centennial Room, Kansas Union; 25 October, 7-8:30 pm, English Room, Kansas Union.

John F. Eberhardt Colloquium in Honor of the Writing of **Kenneth Irby** on the Occasion of His 75th Birthday, 5 November, 9:00 am-5:00 pm.

Publications

Ellis, Iain

"Humor Vs. Religion: An Unholy War" (article). *PopMatters* (located at popmatters.com). 2 September.

Gunn, James E.

Foreword. *Murray Leinster: The Life and Works*, by Billee J. Stallings and Jo-An J. Evans. Jefferson, NC, and London: McFarland and Company, 2011.

Kaminski, Megan

"lily bright," "tile roof," "Dear neighbor, dear Liberty," "Name me transient," and "Name me princess" (poems). *Eleven Eleven*, 11

(175-178).

"That Very What-ness: Emily Kendal Frey's *The Grief Performance*" (book review). *Gently Read Literature*, September 2011 (21-22).

Moulton, Iris

"Litter" (short short) and "Interview with Iris Moulton." *American Short Fiction* (see website). Iris is the featured author for September 2011.

Ohle, David

Motorman (novel). French edition. Editions Cambourakis, Paris (France), September 2011.

Accepted for Publication

Gunn, James E.

"On Openings When Writing Science Fiction" (article). *The Writer*. December, 2011. (Jim notes, "I liked my title, 'Beginnings,' better.")

Kaminski, Megan

"Interview with Erin Moure." *Denver Quarterly*.

Morrissey, Colleen

"John and John and John and John (poem)." *Blue Island Review*.

Announcements, Notes, & News

• **Jim Gunn** has accepted an invitation to be a guest-of-honor at the World Science Fiction of 2013 Convention to be held over Labor Day weekend in San Antonio two years from now. [No surprise, I guess, that science fiction organizations think ahead.]

Calendar

N 11 MFA Reading Series, featuring **Danya Goodman**, **Gabriela Lemmons**, and **DaMaris Hill**, 6:00 pm, Genovese, 941 Massachusetts.

T 13 "Changing for Excellence" Town Hall Meeting, 9:30-11:00 am, Woodruff Auditorium, Kansas Union. Mostly Q&A. Submit questions online at CFE website (Provost's web page) by 12 September.

R 15 Talk and Book Signing, "Mark Twain and the Philippines: How One Major Writer Viewed America's Entry into Global Imperialism," **Susan K. Harris**, English, 4:00-5:30 pm, Jayhawk Ink, KU Bookstore, Kansas Union. Reception follows.

F 16 Poetry Reading, featuring **Mary Stone Dockery**, **Katie Longofono**, **Kara Bollinger**, and **Jeff Tigchelaar**, 6:00 pm, Blue Planet Café, Topeka, KS.

KU and Regional Events

- **New Faculty Workshop**, “The Role of the Humanities Center,” Isidro Rivera, Spanish & Portuguese; John Pierce, Public Administration, Friends Council, 13 September, 12:00-1:30 pm, Hall Center Seminar Room.
- **Byron Caldwell Smith Award Lecture**, “Making Babies, Making the Nation State: The Case of Pre-Revolutionary France,” Leslie Tuttle, History, 13 September, 7:30 pm, Hall Center Conference Hall.

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

- **“Hear the voice of the Bard”: Language and Literature, Past, Present, and Future**, 2011 Arkansas Philological Association Conference, 6-8 October. Deadline: 15 September.

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

- **Nilsen Literary Prize for a First Novel**, Southeast Missouri State University Press. Deadline: 1 November.
- **2012-2013 Harry Ransom Center Research Fellowships in the Humanities**, short-term, travel stipends, dissertation fellowships. Deadline: 1 February 2012.