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PUBLICATIONS

• **Traci Brimhall**, "Poetry Grows Here: How Seeds Planted at the State Fair Can Help Nourish Kansans" (article). *Kansas News Leader*. 24 Sept. 2024. <https://kansasreflector.com/2024/09/24/poetry-grows-here-how-seed-planted-at-the-state-fair-can-help-nourish-kansans/>

"Museum of Fire" (poem). *Vox Populi*. 16 Sept. 2024. <https://voxpathulisphere.com/2024/09/16/traci-brimhall-museum-of-fire/>

PRESENTATIONS

• **Traci Brimhall**, "Memento Mori: Poetry and Prints" (emcee and reader). Flight Crew Coffee. Manhattan, KS. 3 Oct. 2024

"The Lost Poetry of Amelia Earhart." Earhart Hangar Museum. Atchison, KS. 18 Sept. 2024.

"Poetry Harvest: Poems for the State Fair." Kansas State Fair. Hutchinson KS. 7 Sept. 2024: <https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/kcaic/poet-laureate/state-fair-poems/>

• **Elizabeth Dodd** hosted a reading by authors from the anthology *Dear America: Letters of Hope, Habitat, Defiance, and Democracy*, 23 September 2024. Zoom.

• **Mary Kohn and Lisa Tatonetti**, "Creator Gives us Language: Sharing the Story of Kaánze íe Rematriation." *The 53rd Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Association of the Southwest*. San Antonio, TX. 29 Sept. 2024.

• **Lilliana Lamagna** (BA '25), "'You're just making up sounds!' Resisting Western Stereotypes of Asian Americans in *Everything Everywhere All At Once*." *The 53rd Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Association of the Southwest*. San Antonio, TX. 29 Sept. 2024.

AWARDS

• **Traci Brimhall** is Kansas State University's nominee for the 2024 Big XII Faculty of the Year Award.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **Karin Westman** has been appointed to the Program Committee for the Modern Language Association by the MLA Executive Council for a three-year term (2024-2027).

NEWS FROM ALUMNI

• **Kase Johnstun** (MA '01) has published the novel *Cast A way* (Torrey House Press, 2024).

• **David Murphy** (MA '08) has published a collection of poems, *The Natural World* (Dreameyrie Press, 2024).

• **Jefferson Storms** (MA '22) has received the Society for the Study of Midwestern Literature's David Diamond Student Writing Prize for his paper "'An Antydote for the Brute': Apocalyptic Imagination in *Farmer Hiram on the World's War*."

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

• **Thursday, 3 October 10:30-11:30 a.m.** Undergraduate Fall Open House

• **Thursday, 3 October 1:00-3:00 p.m.** Blake and Printmaking

• **Thursday, 3 October 6:00-7:00 p.m.** Memento Mori: Prints and Poetry

• **Friday, 4 October 2:30-3:30 p.m.** Applying to Graduate Programs in English

• **Wednesday, 16 October 7:00-8:00 p.m.** Lecture by K-State First Book author Nyle DiMarco

• **Friday, 18 October 12:00-1:00 p.m.** Reading by fiction writer Shannon Sanders

• **Wednesday, 23 October 3:30-4:30 p.m.** English Department Colloquium

• **Friday, 1 November 3:30-4:30 p.m.** Alumni Connections

• **Friday, 15 November 3:30-5:00 p.m.** Cultural Studies Mini-Seminar II

• **Wednesday, 20 November 3:30-4:30 p.m.** SAGE Colloquium

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