

ENGLISH NOTES



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“Old Wine in New Bottles: New Ways of Teaching Novels, Writing, and Rhetoric” CEAO Fall Conference to be Held at Ohio University–Chillicothe

The College English Association of Ohio (CEAO) invites papers, panels, and roundtables for its fall 2008 conference to be held Friday October 24, 2008, at Ohio University–Chillicothe (OUC). Proposals are invited from full-time faculty, adjunct and part-time instructors, administrators, graduate students, as well as individuals working/living both inside and outside Ohio. All proposals submitted by the deadline, September 8, 2008, will be considered. Please note that presenters and participants must register for the conference.

Keynote Speaker: Don Pollock, author of *Knockemstiff* (and an OUC alumnus)

CEAO invites proposals on the following themes:

- New takes on teaching best-loved novels (English, American, Post-Colonial, etc.).

- Novel methods of creating stylistically literate critical thinkers, readers, and writers.
- Administrative issues such as Ohio’s seniors-to-sophomores program, professionalization, reallocation of state funds, new state-led initiatives, etc.

Conference Coordinator: Veena Kasbekar, OUC; Program Co-Chairs: Amy England (University of Cincinnati) and V. Kasbekar

Please send a) the Proposal Form, b) your Abstract (250–300 words for individuals, 700 for panels/ roundtables), and c) a one-page CV via Microsoft Word to kasbekar@ohio.edu and to amy.england@uc.edu. Abstracts received by the due date will be acknowledged, and a response sent by the end of September, if not earlier. Proposal forms and additional information are posted at the CEAO website: <http://www.englishceao.org>

Nancy Dasher Book Award and NCTE/SLATE Intellectual Freedom Award

The 2008–2009 Nancy Dasher Award will be in the category of pedagogy. All books published during the calendar years 2007–2009 are eligible for nomination. The Chair of each CEAO department may nominate one or more books written or edited by his or her faculty. Departments with 1–11 members may submit one entry; 12–30, two entries; 31–50, three entries; over 50, four entries. The winner will be recognized at the CEAO Spring Conference. For more information, including submission instructions, please see: <http://englishceao.org/awards.html>. Entries are due January 23, 2009.

CEAO calls for nominations for the NCTE/SLATE Intellectual Freedom CEAO Affiliate Award. The award is granted for courage in advancing the cause of intellectual freedom or fighting censorship. The awarded activity can be a recent event or ongoing, as in

demonstrated leadership over a period of years, and the awardee can be an individual, group, or institution and can be an educator or non-educator. Examples include: 1) defense of a challenged book, film, educational method, or controversial speaker, 2) support for freedom of speech on college campuses, 3) a department or program chair who has over a period of time developed and/or supported intellectual freedom policies and practices, and, 4) a public official who took a stand in a difficult intellectual freedom case.

Please forward nominations to Susan Carlton (susanrc@bgnet.bgsu.edu), the CEAO/SLATE Liaison to the NCTE, by March 20, 2009. The CEAO, if they choose to confer an award, must forward their nominations to the National Council of Teachers of English by May 1. For more information about the award go to <http://www.ncte.org/about/issues/censorship/awards/>.

Upcoming Conferences from CEAO Affiliates

While we all know that THE conference, academic, and social events of the academic year will be CEAO's Fall and Spring Conferences, here are a few other conferences that may be of interest to CEAO members:

2008 NCTE Annual Convention

Theme: Because Shift Happens: Teaching in the Twenty-First Century

San Antonio, Texas

November 20–23, 2008

<http://www.ncte.org/profdev/conv/annual>

College English Association 70th Annual Conference

Theme: Design

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

March 26–28, 2009

Proposals due November 21, 2008

<http://www2.widener.edu/~cea/conference2009.htm>

OCTELA Spring Conference 2009

Theme: Building Bridges: Connecting Ideas and Methods

Featured Speakers: Alex Flinn, Angela Johnson, and David Wiesner

Columbus, Ohio

March 27–28, 2009

Proposals due January 15, 2009

<http://www.octela.org/2009Conference/2009.htm>

And, although it's not a conference, CEAO members may find the following resource from SLATE of interest:

SLATE Starter Sheets are short explanations of NCTE positions on a number of educational issues. They are meant to be copied and passed out.

<http://www.ncte.org/about/issues/slate/sheets/108544.htm>

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