# "Traveling South": The Sixth Biennial Conference of the International Society for Travel Writing 23-26 September 2010

All Panel Sessions, Keynote Addresses, Plenary Sessions, and Special Presentations, are in the Carolina Room, on the first floor of the Inn at USC; the Executive Committee Meeting is in the Boardroom, on the third floor of the Inn at USC

### Thursday, 23 September

#### 2:30 p.m.

#### **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

William E. Rivers, University of South Carolina. Chair of the Department of English Tim Youngs, Nottingham Trent University. President of the ISTW

# 2:45-4 p.m.

# **Panel Session 1.1: Early Modern Travelers**

Chair: Russ Pottle, Misericordia University

Michael Moran, University of Georgia: "Making Travel in 1585 Virginia Possible: Thomas Hariot as Navigator, Linguist, Cartographer, and Travel Writer"

Sarah Rude, North Dakota State University: "Constructing a Birthplace for King James: Early Modern Conceptions of Scotland through Travel Writing"

### 4:15-5:30 p.m.

#### Panel Session 1.2: African American Travelers

Chair: Gary Younge, The Guardian

Gary Totten, North Dakota State University: "The Cultural Work of Travel in Zora Neale Hurston's *Tell My Horse*"

Tim Youngs, Nottingham Trent University: "'Strange but familiar': African American Narratives of Travel"

## 6 p.m.

### **Keynote Address I**

Gary Younge, The Guardian: "Tales of the Unexpected: A Black Briton reporting on the U.S."

Chair: Tim Youngs, Nottingham Trent University. President of the ISTW

# 7:15 p.m. ISTW Reception: Lobby Bar of the Inn at USC

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# Friday, September 24

6-9 a.m. Breakfast: Palmetto Room of the Inn at USC

9:30-10:30 a.m.

# Panel Session 2.1: British Travelers Abroad

Chair: Sharon Ouditt, Nottingham Trent University

Jeanne Dubino, Appalachian State University: "From Sinister Sun to Fiery Fun: In the Heart of Sunny Kenya, 1864-1970"

M. Soledad Caballero, Allegheny College: "To be British in the United States: Fanny Kemble and Amelia Murray's Travel Narratives to the U.S. South"

10:45 a.m.-12 p.m.

# Panel Session 2.2: Hearts of Darkness

Chair: Donald Ross, University of Minnesota

David Espey, University of Pennsylvania: "Heart of Darkness as Travel Destination"

Ulrike Brisson, Worcester Polytechnic Institute: "Into the Heart of Darkness: The Rhetoric of Peril in Travels to the Southern Hemisphere"

Adrian S. Wisnicki, Fordham University/Birkbeck College, London: "Nyangwe and the Problem of Victorian Geography"

#### 12-1 p.m. Lunch: Palmetto Room of the Inn at USC

1:45-3 p.m.

#### Panel Session 2.3: American Identity and Mythos in Travel Writing

Chair: Chris Nesmith, University of South Carolina

Donald Ross, University of Minnesota: "Limits to Growth: Military Travelers to the Western United States in the Early 1800s"

Katherine Ledford, Appalachian State University: "Depictions of Violence in Travel Writing of the Early Nineteenth-Century Mountain South"

Maria del Pino Santana Quintana, Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria: "Loss and Nostalgia: The Little Known America of Bill Bryson"

# 3:15-4:30 p.m.

# Panel Session 2.4: Confronting Colonialism and Slavery in Travel Writing

Chair: Peter Hulme, University of Essex

Laura Dassow Walls, University of South Carolina: "Southern Exposure: Humboldt and the South Carolina Naturalists"

Shizen Ozawa, Kansai University: "Returning Only in Order to Depart: On V. S. Naipaul's *Middle Passage*"

Jonathan Burgess, University of Toronto: "'If Peopled and Cultured': Colonialist Vision in Bartram's *Travels* and the *Odyssey*"

### 4:45-6 p.m.

# Panel Session 2.5: Discourses of Travel

Chair: Katherine Ledford, Appalachian State University

Hongbing Zhang, Fayetteville State University: "Traveling West: Guo Songtao's Discursive Excursions on the Steamship Journey from Shanghai to London"

Mila Gabruck, University of Calgary: "The Mythology of the South of France in Travel Writing and Popular Culture"

James Schramer, Youngstown State University: "Frightening Fecundity: Southern Flora and Fauna in the Writings of Crevecoeur, Bartram, Trollope, and Raban"

# 6:30 p.m.

# **Keynote Address II**

Peter Hulme, University of Essex: "South of the Tropic Line: What Cuba Means"

Chair: Russ Pottle, Misericordia University. Vice-President of the ISTW

Saturday, September 25

6-9 a.m. Breakfast: Palmetto Room of the Inn at USC

9:30-10:45 a.m.

# Panel Session 3.1: American Women Travel Writers in the Early Twentieth Century

Chair: Jeanne Dubino, Appalachian State University

Shealeen Meaney, Russell Sage College: "They do run true to form': The Subjectivity Trade and Women's Travels of the 1920s"

Michele Willman, University of North Dakota: "Negotiating Identity, Locating Subjectivity in Anne Morrow Lindbergh's Travel Narratives"

Rebecca Feind, San Jose State University: "So You're Going South': Clara E. Laughlin's Vision of European History in the Southern United States"

# 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

### Plenary Panel: Discussion of Tropics of Empire by Nicolás Wey-Gómez

Chair: Laura Dassow Walls, University of South Carolina

Nicolás Wey-Gómez, California Institute of Technology

Peter Hulme, University of Essex

Veronica Salles-Reese, Georgetown University

12:30-1:30 Lunch: Palmetto Room of the Inn at USC

2-3:15 p.m.

# Panel Session 3.2: The Trope of the American South in Travel Writing

Chair: Bob Brinkmeyer, University of South Carolina

Christopher Nesmith, University of South Carolina, Columbia: "O Magnet-South': The Transnational South in American Travel Writing for Children, 1815-1890"

Russ Pottle, Misericordia University: "Suttree and the South: A Critique of Post-War American Travel"

Bob Brinkmeyer, University of South Carolina: "Discussion: *The Fourth Ghost: White Southern Writers and European Fascism, 1930-1950*"

#### 3:30-4:45 p.m.

#### **Panel Session 3.3: Constructing Identities**

Chair: M. Soledad Caballero, Allegheny College

Miguel Cabanas, Michigan State University: "From South to South: The Exotic in 20<sup>th</sup> Century Mexican Travelers"

Jennifer Hayward, College of Wooster: "El Lord Metalico: Nation and Narration in Thomas Cochrane's 1859 Narrative of Services in the Liberation of Chili, Peru, and Brazil from Spanish and Portuguese Domination"

Jennifer Ritterhouse, Utah State University: "'Discovery' and the Politics of Regional Identity in Jonathan Daniel's *A Southerner Discovers the South*"

5-6:30 p.m.

ISTW Executive Committee Meeting

Sunday, September 26

6-9 a.m. Breakfast: Palmetto Room of the Inn at USC

10-11:15 a.m.

## Panel Session 4.1: Travel to Italy

Chair: Ulrike Brisson, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Katarina Gephardt, Kennesaw State University: "The Imperial Center and the Southern Periphery: Mid-Victorian Travel Narratives on Italy"
Sharon Ouditt, Nottingham Trent University: "Travelling South of Naples"

Minjeong Kim, Binghamton University: "Oriental Italy: D.H. Lawrence's Sea and Sardinia"

11:30-12:45 p.m.

### Panel Session 4.2: Theories and Forms of Travel

Chair: Gary Totten, North Dakota State University

Philip Krummrich, Morehead State University: "Heading South: The North-South Trajectory in Travel Writing"

Jeffrey Melton, University of Alabama: "From a Buick 6: Automobiles and Travel Writing on the American Open Road"

Christopher M. Keirstead, Auburn University: "Strangers to Themselves: In-the-Footsteps Travel Writing and the Self-Invention of Identity"

12:45 p.m.

### **Closing Remarks**

Tim Youngs, Nottingham Trent University. President of the ISTW