

DEADLINE EXTENDED TO JANUARY 11, 2010

AFRICAN LITERATURE ASSOCIATION
36th Annual African Literature Association Conference
March 10-14, 2010
UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA
Tucson, Arizona

CALL FOR PANELS, ROUNDTABLES AND PAPERS

GENERAL THEME: ECO-IMAGINATION: AFRICAN AND DIASPORAN LITERATURES AND SUSTAINABILITY

In the recent past, sustainability referred more to development, environment, and economics, and some scholars did not think that the humanities and the arts could be included in this intellectual inquiry. There are now several centers of sustainability and the humanities, and courses such as "The literature of sustainability as literature of life" are being offered across the US. Defining sustainability in broad terms, the 36th annual ALA conference will focus on how the environment and environmental issues are addressed in the literature of Africa and other areas where African peoples have settled, particularly the Americas. The conference will explore subtopics on matters including globalization and immigration and their connection to environmental questions. One objective of the conference will be to foster interdisciplinary dialogue about topics such as climate change or desertification, in the context of languages, literature and cinema.

SUBTHEMES

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| -Literature and the environment | -Women's Literature and Cinema |
| -Eco-criticism and Literature | -Literature and Globalization |
| -Literature, Land and Landscape | -Literature and Children's Rights |
| -New Trends in Fiction | -Immigration in Literature and Film |
| -Literature and Cinema | -Translation Issues |
| -African Language Literatures | -Teaching African and Diasporan Literatures |

To follow the ALA tradition, papers and panels on all aspects of African/Diasporan literature are invited, but particular focus on the conference themes is encouraged.

Please send panel proposals or individual paper abstracts by the extended deadline of January 11, 2010 to the convener, Irène d'Almeida, at ala2010tucson@gmail.com and include:

- Name:
- Affiliation:
- Complete Mailing address:
- Country:
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- Email:
- Panel Chair:
- Panel Title:
- Panel Member, Affiliation, and Paper Title:

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