THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL
JOHN DONNE SOCIETY CONFERENCE
14 – 16 FEBRUARY 2019

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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

14 – 16 FEBRUARY 2019
Thursday, 14 February

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.  **Session 1: Keynote Address**

Welcome: **SEAN H. MCDOWELL**, Seattle University
Executive Director

Presiding: **BRENT NELSON**, University of Saskatchewan
President

Address: “Donne in the Open: Renaissance Studies and the Renewed Promise of Digital Scholarship”
**RAYMOND G. SIEMENS**, University of Victoria

6:30 – 7:30 p.m.  **DINNER**

7:30 – 8:30 p.m.  **Session 2: Digital Futures: Posters and Lightning Talks**

**BRENT NELSON**, University of Saskatchewan (also presiding)

“A Presentation of the Current State of the Database of John R. Roberts’s Annotated Bibliographies”
**JESSE DAVID SHARPE**, LeTourneau University

**SEAN H. MCDOWELL**, Seattle University
“The Dalhousie Manuscripts Project: Navigating the Ethics of Digital Editing”  
SARAH BANSCHBACH VALLES and SARAH J. SPROUSE, Texas Tech University

“Stylometry in the Study of Fifty Sermons”  
KYLE DASE, University of Saskatchewan

“Donne’s Sermons’ Prose Style—A Corpus Linguistics Approach”  
HUGH ADLINGTON, University of Birmingham

“GEMMS: Gateway to Early Modern Manuscript Sermons”  
ANNE JAMES and JEANNE SHAMI, University of Regina

8:30 p.m.  RECEPTION

Friday, 15 February

6:00 – 8:30 a.m.  BREAKFAST

9:00 – 10:30 a.m.  Session 3: In Meditation: Insomniated, Medicated, and Baroquen.

Chair: PAUL PARRISH, Texas A&M University

“To Sleep or Not to Sleep—Is it a question?”  
JOAN FAUST, Southeastern Louisiana University

“A Precedent for the Unprecedented: Donne’s Devotions and the Medicalized Discourses of Medieval Penitence”  
CLARISSA CHENOVICK, Florida Atlantic University
“Donne, Jarman, and the Perpetual Indulgence of the Baroque Spirit”
RAYMOND-JEAN FRONTAIN, University of Central Arkansas

Respondent: CLAIRE FALCK, Rowan University

10:30 – 11:00 a.m. COFFEE BREAK

11:00 – 12:00 p.m. Session 4: Laboring for Love and Meaning in Donne’s Love Lyrics

Chair: HEATHER DUBROW, Fordham University

“Unreal Love: ‘The Ecstasy’”
JAMES KUZNER, Brown University

“Erotic Labor and the Natural Right to Property in ‘Natures Lay Ideott’”
ANGELA BALLA, University of Alabama in Huntsville

Respondent: MARLA LUNDERBERG, Hope College

12:00 – 1:00 p.m. LUNCH

2:00 – 3:30 p.m. Session 5: Donne and Materiality

Chair: ARNAUD ZIMMERN, University of Notre Dame

“Donne’s Glass: The Poetics of a Medium”
TRINA HYUN, Yale University

“A ‘Metaphorical God’ and the Book of Nature: John Donne on Natural Theology”
KATHERINE CALLOWAY SUEDA, Baylor University
“‘Not for publique view’: Donne’s Poetry and Printing for Private Direction”
PIERS BROWN, Kenyon College

Respondent: KATHERINE ATTIÉ, Towson University

3:30 – 4:00 p.m. COFFEE BREAK

4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Session 6: Typological Tensions and Surprising Shifts in the Holy Sonnets

Chair: LAURA YODER, New York University

“‘Oh Wretched Man that I am!’: Saint Paul, John Donne, and the Exclamatory Volta”
DANIEL KNAPPER, The Ohio State University

“‘Spit in My Face’ and the Typology of Stolen Blessing”
ROBERT REEDER, University of Providence

Respondent: TESSIE PRAKAS, Scripps College

5:15 – 6:30 p.m. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
5:30 – 6:30 p.m. RECEPTION
6:30 – 7:30 p.m. DINNER
9:00 p.m. RECEPTION

Saturday, 16 February

6:00 – 8:30 a.m. BREAKFAST
9:00 – 10:30 a.m.  **Session 7: Conscience, Kissing, and the Vision of St. Stephen**

Chair: **MEG LOTA BROWN**, University of Arizona

“‘Kisse the Son’: Bible and Body in Donne’s Sermon on Psalm 2.12”
NATHAN WALL, Wycliffe College at the University of Toronto

“Donne’s First Sermon to Charles I: Supporting the Royal Conscience”
JOSHUA HELD, Trinity International University

“The Last Emergent Occasion”
DAYTON HASKIN, Boston College

Respondent: **GREGORY KNEIDEI**L, University of Connecticut

10:30 – 11:00 a.m.  **COFFEE BREAK**

11:00 – 12:00 p.m.  **Session 8: Difficult Donne**

Chair: **THERESA DI PASQUALE**, Whitman College

“‘This Sullen Writ’: Donne’s Difficulty”
MICHAEL C. SCHOENFELDT, University of Michigan

“‘all/Numbers are odd’: The Irresolute Measure of Donne’s Measures”
KIMBERLY JOHNSON, Brigham Young University

Respondent: **HUGH F. WILSON**, Grambling State University

Noon – 1:30 p.m.  **LUNCH**
12:30 p.m.  BUSINESS MEETING (DURING LUNCH)

Presiding: SEAN H. MCDOWELL, Seattle University

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.  Session 9: Presidential Address

Presiding: BRENT NELSON, University of Saskatchewan

“Feasting with St. Stephen”
JONATHAN F. S. POST, University of California, Los Angeles

3:00 – 3:30 p.m.  COFFEE BREAK / ANTI-CONFERENCE BEGINS

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.  Session 10: Donne and Digital Pedagogy

Moderator: BRENT NELSON, University of Saskatchewan

“Teaching Donne’s Sermons with Digital Resources”
BROOKE CONTI, Cleveland State University

“Digital Sound in the Lyrics of Dylan and Donne”
ELIZABETH N. BOBO, University of Louisiana at Lafayette

“Teaching Early Modern Print Culture in the Digital Age”
KIRSTEN STIRLING, University of Lausanne

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.  RECEPTION

7:00 – 8:00 p.m.  DINNER

8:00 p.m.  ANTI-CONFERENCE

Festal Queen: JEANNE SHAMI, University of Regina
Sunday, 19 February

6:00 – 8:30 a.m.  BREAKFAST

DEPARTURES
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