



**66th Annual Conference - Friday, 15 March 2024**

**“Transformations”**

**Hosted by the University of the District of Columbia**

**Building 71 (4250 Connecticut Avenue, NW)**

**4th Floor (Rooms 7A, 7B, Event Space 8, and Dean’s Event Space)**

## **Preliminary Program**

9:00 – 9:30 AM: Welcome/ Meet and Greet/ Continental Breakfast (Lobby - 4th floor)

### **Session I**

**9:30 - 10:30 AM**

#### **Session IA: Revamping Composition Pedagogies: Room 7A**

Moderator: Pearlie Peters (Rider University)

- Bethany Monea (University of the District of Columbia) Making Writing Meaningful at the Nexus of High School and College
- Christian Aguiar (University of the District of Columbia) Transforming a Video Research Assignment: A User’s Guide
- Johanna Pentikainen (University of Lapland) Liberating voices other than one's own by combining academic research, somatic practice and creative writing

#### **Session IB: Generative AI: Threat or Promise?: Room 7B**

Moderator: Bishnu Ghimire (College of Southern Maryland)

- Brianna Rae Johns (Howard University) Censorship in the Digital Age: AI and Book Banning
- David Kaloustian (Bowie State University) Reports of the Death of the Author Have Been Greatly Exaggerated—Until Now? Generative AI and the Concept of The Author
- Sean Gordon Lewis (Mt. St. Mary’s University) Heuresis, Taxis, and the Rhetorical Problem of AI

## **Session II**

**10:30 - 11:15 AM, Room 7B**

Panel Presentation: Black Leadership and Shared Humanity: a Conversation about How a Black-Led DC Community Organization Survived 2020 because of Transformational Relationships

Moderator: LaTanya L. Rogers (Fisk University)

Phyllis Ryder (The George Washington University), Mary Brown (Life Pieces to Masterpieces), Wendy Wagner (Nashman Center for Civic Engagement and Public Service)

## **PLENARY**

**11:30 am - 12:20 pm, Dean's Event Space**

Introduction to Keynote Speaker: CEAMAG President Ada Vilageliu-Diaz, University of the District of Columbia

Keynote Speaker: Tricia Elam Walker, Howard University

## **Lunch Break & CEAMAG Business Meeting**

12:20 - 1:00 PM, Event Space 8

## **Session III**

**1:00 - 2:00 PM**

**Session III A: Avant Garde in Literature, Film, & Art: Room 7A**

Moderator: Bishnu Ghimire (College of Southern Maryland)

- Sydney Taylor (Bowie State University) The Marxist Games: An Examination of “The Hunger Games” Film Series through a Sociological Perspective
- S. Salina Jamil (Prince George's Community College) Naguib Mahfouz's “Zaabalawi”
- Michelle Barnett (Towson University) All It Takes Is One Voice

## **Session III B: Being the Change: Room 7B**

Moderator: Craig Wynne (University of the District of Columbia)

- Catherine Emanuelle (University of Wisconsin) Experiential Learning Experiences that Advance Campus and Community Racial and Restorative Justice
- Kristin Shimmin (Frostburg State University) Building a New Institution out of the Decline of Science in England: A Case Study of the Narrative Topoi Founding the British Association for the Advancement of Science (1831)
- Cherie Ann Turpin (University of the District of Columbia) How to Use your Power as an Educator to Protect Academic Freedom and Democracy in Higher Education

## **Session IV**

**2:15 - 3:15 PM**

### **Session IV A: Avant Garde in Literature, Film, & Art: Room 7A**

Moderator: Steven T. Lessner (Northern Virginia Community College)

- Kevin Kehrwald (Frostburg State University) Seeing Ourselves: The Transformative Use of Film in the Classroom
- Craig Wynne (University of the District of Columbia) Reconstructing Romantic Tropes in The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel: A New Angle on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- Jessica Hausman (Georgian Court University) “To bend and align reality”: Narrative Control and Transformation in Hernan Diaz’s *Trust*

### **Session IV B: Being the Change: Room 7B**

Moderator:

- Aparajita De and Helene Krauthamer (University of the District of Columbia) Fostering Belonging and Leading Change
- David M. Jones (University of Wisconsin) “Divisive Concepts,” Right-Wing Authoritarianism, and Hostility towards Marginalized Identities: Personal Pathways to Wholeness and Resistance
- Owen Shin (Unaffiliated scholar) Engagement, Objectivity, and Student Agency: Critical Race Theory and Its Application to Secondary School Curriculums

## **Session V:**

**3:30 -4:50 PM: Student Papers: Room 7B**

Moderator: Ada Vilageliu-Diaz (University of the District of Columbia)

- Erin Green (University of Maryland) “Cozy With Who I Am”: Black Trans Storytelling as Community Organizing
- Robert G. Butler (Arkansas State University) There is a Better Way to Educate: Transformation of the U.S. Education System
- Kevin Lopez-Cruz (DuVal High School) Being *The Mid-Atlantic Review's* Assistant Editor
- Sara Abi Villanueva (Texas Tech University) A Critical Reflection on Poetry and Freire: One Graduate Student’s Transformative Journey
- Valerie Smith (University of South Florida) Decolonizing Composition Classrooms: Incorporating Autoethnography and Narratives in Writing Classrooms to Boost BIPOC Students’ Literacies and Esteem

## Closing Reception

**4:50 - 5:30 PM: Closing Reception (BYOB/W): Event Space 8**

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