



Happy 2024 MMLA Members!



The 65th annual MMLA convention, “[Health in/of the Humanities](#),” will take place at the Hilton Chicago November 14-16, 2024!

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The first deadline for our 2024 convention is March 15. By this date, organizers of Permanent Sections and Pre-Organized Panels **MUST** submit Calls for Papers to be posted on the MMLA website. Permanent Section organizers, you know who you are; everyone else, if you are interested in pre-organizing a panel, reach out to [mmla@luc.edu](mailto:mmla@luc.edu) with your proposal.

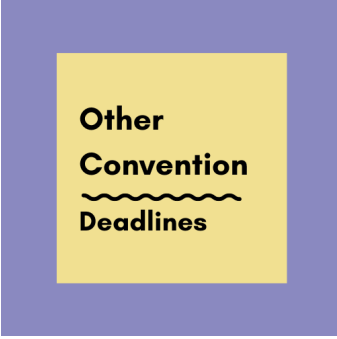
A Pre-Organized Panel is a three-paper presentation based on a unifying subject, which may be related to our convention theme, “Health in/of the Humanities,” though a connection is not required.

A complete proposal includes:

1. Organizer's Name, Email Address, and Affiliation
2. Panel Title (15-word maximum)
3. A Call for Papers

## MMLA Convention November 14-16, 2024

[www.midwest-mla.org](http://www.midwest-mla.org)



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April 15: Individual paper proposals for a Permanent Section or Pre-Organized Panel are due (no later than this date) to the organizer. For section- and panel-specific deadlines, please visit the [Permanent Section](#) and [Pre-Organized Panel](#) Calls for Papers.

May 01: All proposals for a Permanent Section, Pre-Organized Panel, Workshop, and Individual Paper are to be submitted to the MMLA. The MMLA Program Committee's decisions about which proposals will appear on the convention program will be emailed to all candidates by the end of June.

July 01: Applications for a [Lodging Award](#) and the [annual Book Award](#) are due to the MMLA.

Additionally, registration opens for the MMLA

Convention and Undergraduate Research Symposium.

Sept 15: Participants in the MMLA Convention and Undergraduate Research Symposium must pay for their non-refundable [membership and registration](#) fee. ***(Please Note: After September 15, regular registration will be \$160 and special registration \$80).***

Additionally, all relevant updates to panels and workshops (including attendees' names, affiliations, as well as presentation titles and abstracts) must be submitted to the MMLA.

Oct 22: Final day for attendees to reserve a hotel room at the MMLA-member rate (\$229).



**2023 Convention News:  
Paige Parker Wins Undergraduate Paper Prize**

Parker, of Saint Mary's College, won the award for her essay "Poetry and Democracy: Ada Limón and the Role of the Poet Laureate." The paper examines Limón's take on the Poet Laureate position, noting how she serves as "the poet of the people" (as Parker puts it), standing by marginalized peoples and advocating for racial justice. As the first Latina US poet laureate, Limón advocates in body, not just word, for the protection of women and people of color.



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