



CALL FOR PAPERS

Robert Penn Warren Circle Annual Meeting
April 18-20, 2013

*Hosted by Austin Peay State University and
the Robert Penn Warren Birthplace
in Clarksville, TN, and Guthrie, KY*

Robert Penn Warren and Popular Culture

While film and stage adaptations of Robert Penn Warren's work quickly come to mind when thinking of pop culture, this year's RPW meeting theme considers how all of Warren's work intersected with popular culture, discussed popular culture, resisted popular culture at times, and perhaps even became a part of popular culture. Possible topics include but are not limited to:

- How does Warren's work resist or conform to the trends of popular culture?
- Analysis of the two film versions of *All the King's Men*
- Analysis of the film version of *Band of Angels*
- Analysis of the play version of *All the King's Men*
- Warren's references to pop culture in his work
- Warren's influence on the work of David Milch
- Warren's depiction of the media, especially in *The Cave* and *Flood*
- Warren's work as topic of public cultural debate, particularly related to media coverage of race relations, segregation, and the Civil Rights Movement

We invite abstracts for papers, panels, or roundtables addressing any aspect of Robert Penn Warren's work, but are especially interested in maintaining a focus on the conference theme. For individual paper proposals, please send paper title and abstract of 50-100 words. For panel proposals, please include panel title, name and affiliation of each presenter, and individual abstracts of 50 – 100 words with paper title. For roundtables, please send an abstract of 50-100 words and a brief bio of each speaker.

Graduate students are welcome to propose individual papers (15 minutes in length) or panels of 3-4 speakers. If your abstract is accepted, and you wish to be considered for the Eleanor Clark Award, which is the Circle's annual graduate student paper award and carries a stipend of \$100, please send your completed paper by April 1.

**Not later than February 18, 2013, please send proposals to
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