

## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

Robert Penn Warren Circle Annual Meeting **April 24-26, 2014**Hosted by Austin Pean State University and

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

## **Robert Penn Warren and History**

History plays a central role in much of Robert Penn Warren's work. Whether he is remembering or reconciling, Warren's poetry and prose is always cognizant of the role of history in the lives of speakers and characters. Possible topics include but are not limited to:

- The importance of history
- Warren's use of history as setting or backdrop
- Warren as a historian
- Southern history
- History of race relations
- Civil War or Civil Rights history in Warren's work
- Warren's perception of society's failings to learn from history
- Warren's tendency to capitalize "History"

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.

Not later than February 14, 2014, please send proposals to Kyle Taylor, Circle Secretary and Program Co-Chair: rpwcircle@gmail.com

Visit the website: www.robertpennwarren.com

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.