

NPCEBL
University of North Dakota
Grand Forks, ND
April 12 & 13, 2024

We are excited to welcome everyone to Grand Forks for the 31st annual Northern Plains Conference on Early British Literature. Our conference will be held mostly in the newly redesigned Chester Fritz Library, with several events taking place in the North Dakota Museum of Art. Both are beautiful spaces that celebrate the Humanities and the Fine Arts.

We will have two plenaries, one on Friday and one on Saturday. Friday's lecture will be delivered by Dr. Natalie S. Grinnell, Reeves Family Professor in the Humanities at Wofford College (Spartanburg, SC), and is entitled, "Loving the Monster: Medieval and Modern Werewolf Romances." Saturday morning's lecture will be delivered by Dr. Naoë Kukita Yoshikawa, Professor Emerita of Shizuoka University and Research Fellow at Meiji University (Tokyo, Japan), and is entitled, "Holy holism and the Visions of Mechthild of Hackeborn and Gertrude the Great."

We anticipate the usual two days of sessions and invite abstracts for standard papers, proposed roundtable sessions, complete panels, and even workshops. **Please send abstracts with your name, affiliation, and 200-400 words regarding your topic to: michelle.m.sauer@und.edu by March 22, 2024.**

We plan to offer a few hybrid opportunities, so please indicate if you are interested in long distance presenting. Other activities include an informal gathering on Thursday evening, April 11, and the conference banquet on April 12. (Details forthcoming.)

The conference hotels are as follows:

Hilton Garden Inn (4301 James Ray Drive Grand Forks; 701-775-6000): Standard Queen room or single king bed, \$96.30, Thurs-Sat.

CanadInn (1000 S. 42nd St., Grand Forks; 701-772-8404): King suites \$159.00, Thurs-Sun.