

## Call for Papers: Southwestern Literature

Southwest/Texas Popular Culture Association Conference

February 8-11, 2012

Hyatt Regency Hotel & Conference Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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Proposal submission deadline: December 1, 2011

The Southwest/Texas Popular Culture Association invites papers on Southwestern Literature for its conference to be held February 8-11, 2012, in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

“Southwestern Literature” is an admittedly broad topic. For the purposes of this conference we rely on J. Frank Dobie’s 1934 definition: “Arizona, New Mexico, most of Texas, some of Oklahoma, and anything else north, south, east, or west that anybody wants to bring in.”

Papers in past sessions have ranged widely: race riots; a survey of river literature; Honky Tonk dancing; the effects of the JFK assassination on Texas writers. Papers on specific writers are also welcome. Past papers have covered writers ranging from Ralph Ellison and Katherine Anne Porter to Leslie Marmon Silko and Willa Cather. In short, we welcome any paper, broad or narrow, that contributes to our understanding of the Southwest through its literature.

Please submit a 100-word abstract by December 1, 2011 to the conference’s database at <http://conference2012.swtxpca.org>

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