Announcements

Research Fellowships

The Eileen Wallace Research Fellowship in Children's Literature, valued up to \$5,000 (CDN) per annum, invites proposals for research and scholarship using the resources of the University of New Brunswick's Eileen Wallace Children's Literature Collection. Proposals are welcomed from anyone who can provide evidence of competence and scholarly background and outline a practical and worthwhile project using the resources of the Collection. Application forms are available from: Office of the Dean of Education, University of New Brunswick, PO Box 4400, Fredericton, NB, E3B 5A3, Canada. Tel: (506) 453-4862 or on our website http://www.lib.unb.ca/Collections/CLC/. Deadline for application is March 1 of any year, with fellowship to be awarded after July 1 of the same year.

Calls for Papers:

Special issue of Children's Literature Association Quarterly: Narrative Theories and Practices in Children's and Young Adult Literature (Spring 2003). Guest editors Mike Cadden and Andrea Schwenke Wyile invite papers that explore the narrative peculiarities, innovations, and/or conventions in children's and/or young adult literature. Comparisons to adult literature are welcome. We are especially interested in irony/parody, focalization, and narration, but all narratological issues and approaches are welcome. Possible questions to explore include: Does narrative theory offer us a way to talk about the kinds of narrative structure or styles of narration present in children's and young adult literature? If not, what's missing? Do these genres explore the same narrative terrain as adult literature? What do the practices of children's literature have to offer narrative theory? What does narrative theory have to offer the study of the unique genres of children's and young adult literature? Deadline for submissions: July 15, 2002 (e-mail submissions welcome). Send papers and inquiries to: Mike Cadden, Dept. of English, Missouri Western State College, St. Joseph, MO 64505, USA (cadden@mwsc.edu), and Andrea Schwenke Wyile, English Department, Acadia University, Wolfville, NS B0P 1X0, Canada (andrea.schwenke.wyile.acadiau.ca).

Conference on 20th century fantasy from Beatrix to Harry: Interdisciplinary Contributions to 20th century fantasy literature for children and young adults (March 22 and 23, 2002 at Kent State University). Deadline for submissions: November 1, 2001. Please submit a one-page abstract for a twenty-minute paper treating scholarly, critical, or theoretical, rather than pedagogical, concerns. Early submission and panel proposals are welcome. Direct abstracts and inquiries to Deborah Bice (440-964-4330; bice@ashtabula.kent.edu) or Kim Cook (440-964-4237; cook@ashtabula.kent.edu). Please mail abstracts and presenter's fee of \$45 to Conference on 20th century fantasy, Kent State Ashtabula, 3325 West 13th St.. Ashtabula OH 44004, USA.

Awards:

The Ruth Schwartz Children's Book Award for a picture book has been won by Sean Cassidy and Stephanie Simpson McLellan for *The Chicken Cat*. The winner in the young adult category is Janet McNaughton for *The Secret Under My Skin*.

The Mr. Christie book award winners for 2000, by category, are Stephanie McLellan (author) and Sean Cassidy (illustrator), My Sister Gracie, Fitzhenry & Whiteside Publishers, 2000 (English 7 years & younger); Dominique Demers (author) and Stéphane Poulin (illustrator), Vieux Thomas et la petite fée, Dominique et compagnie, 2000 (French 7 years & younger).; Jean Little, Willow & Twig, Penguin Canada, 2000 (English 8-11 years); François Gravel and Pierre Pratt, David et le Fantôme, Dominique et compagnie, 2000 (French 8-11 years); Janet McNaughton, The Secret Under My Skin. HarperCollins, 2000 (English 12 years & up); Michèle Marineau. Rouge poison. Les Éditions Québec Amérique Inc., 2000 (French 12 years & up).

Before Wings, by Beth Goobie, has been chosen as the **CLA Young Adult Book of the Year** by the Canadian Library Association.

The Canadian Children's Book Centre (CCBC) has announced that *Charlie Wilcox* by Sharon E. McKay (Stoddart Kids), is the winner of the **13th annual Geoffrey Bilson Award for Historical Fiction for Young People**.