

Food and Culture

The Food and Culture Area of the Southwest/ Texas Popular and American Culture Association invites papers and organized panels for their 34th Annual Conference that will be held February 13-16 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel & Conference Center in Albuquerque, NM. The Conference theme this

year is: Celebrating Popular/American Culture(s) in a Global Context. Scholars from all disciplines are invited to address the intersection of culture and culinary production/consumption. Possible topics include, but are not limited to:

Class and foodie culture

Gender/Sexuality and food (Man vs. Food, The Sexual Politics of Meat)

Representations of ethnic cooking in film and literature

Food and TV (Food Network, Iron Chef, Top Chef, Cooking Channel)

Food tourism

Cooking in popular culture (Hunger Games; Eat, Pray, Love; Julia and Julia; Soylent Green; Babette's Feast; Big Night; Chocolat)

Food and Globalization

Culinary Politics and Colonialism

Documentaries and the food industry (Food Inc.; The Future of Food; Forks Over Knives; Les Glaneurs et la Glaneuse)

Cooking/eating and trends and identities (Food Trucks, Hegans, Locavores, Slow Foodists, DIY Butchery)

Food and consuming in literature

Cooking and coming-of-age novels and memoirs

Scholars, graduate students, foodies and others interested in the intersection of food and culture are encouraged to submit. If you wish to form your own Food and Culture panel, please contact me with information on your panel topic and a list of three to four participants. Please pass this CFP along to your friends and colleagues.

Graduate student presenters are eligible for travel fellowships and awards. (In 2012, three presenters in the Food and Culture area received Graduate Student Awards!) Please visit <http://www.swtxpca.org/documents/48.html> for more information.

Proposals for individual presentations and panels, including abstracts and short CVs, should be uploaded to the SW/TX PCA/ACA database (<http://conference2013.swtxpca.org>) by 16 November 2012.

If you have any questions, please contact the Food and Culture area chair, Laura Anh Williams, at lawill@nmsu.edu