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Call for Papers

The Grotesque, Freakish and Bizarre in Anglophone Literatures and Cultures

11-12 October 2017, Trnava

Conference organized by the Department of British and American Studies, Faculty of Arts, University of SS. Cyril and Methodius in Trnava, Slovakia

The conference will offer a platform for the exchange of ideas regarding the representation of the uncanny, weird and bizarre in Anglophone literatures and cultures. We welcome topics that address:

- theory of the grotesque and the uncanny
- the grotesque in contemporary popular culture
- role of the grotesque in sci-fi and fantasy genres
- representation of freakish characters and monsters in canonical literary works
- representation of monsters in films and comics
- bizarre settings and plot twists
- body mutilations
- comparative analyses of the grotesque and bizarre in various literatures and cultures

Registration link: <http://bit.ly/UCMconference2017>

The deadline for registration is **25 August 2017**.

Conference email: ucm.conference2017@gmail.com

Fee: The conference fee for all participants is **40€**. The fee covers conference materials, tea/coffee refreshments and reception on 11 October. Invoices will be sent to the registered participants upon receiving the abstracts.

Presentations: The conference language is English. The standard length for presentations will be 25 minutes (20 minutes for presentation, 5 minutes for discussion).

Publications

All accepted abstracts and papers by registered authors will be published in one of the following publications with ISBN:

a) **The Grotesque, Freakish and Bizarre in Anglophone Literatures and Cultures: Book of Abstracts**

This e-publication will include abstracts of the accepted conference papers.

b) **The Grotesque, Freakish and Bizarre in Anglophone Literatures and Cultures: Conference Proceedings**

This e-proceedings will include the papers presented at the conference (with the exception of the papers approved for publishing in the *CLEaR journal*).

c) **The international research journal *CLEaR*** (ISSN 2453-7128, published by De Gruyter Open). The papers approved for publication in the *CLEaR* will be charged separately from the conference fee by the **100 EUR** publication fee, upon the reception of positive **review results**. The journal uses double-blind peer-review system.

Accommodation: The organizers do not provide accommodation.

For further information and updates about the conference visit our website <http://kaam.ff.ucm.sk/sk/the-grotesque-freakish-and-bizarre-conference/>

NB: proposals for individual papers should NOT be submitted at this stage. The deadline for individual papers will be the 28 February 2016.