

## **[CFP: Stardom and Fandom, Southwest Popular and American Culture Association Conference \(11/1/16; 2/15-18/17\)](#)**

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New Mexico, United States

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Cultural History / Studies, Psychology, Women's & Gender History / Studies, Sociology, Digital Humanities

### **Call for Papers**

#### **Stardom and Fandom**

Southwest Popular / American Culture Association (SWPACA)

38th Annual Conference, February 15-18, 2017

Hyatt Regency Hotel & Conference Center

Albuquerque, New Mexico

<http://www.southwestpca.org>

Proposal submission deadline: **November 1, 2016**

Proposals for papers and panels are now being accepted for the 38<sup>th</sup> annual SWPACA conference. One of the nation's largest interdisciplinary academic conferences, SWPACA offers nearly 70 subject areas, each typically featuring multiple panels. For a full list of subject areas, area descriptions, and Area Chairs, please visit <http://southwestpca.org/conference/call-for-papers/>

The Area Chair for Stardom and Fandom invites paper or panel proposals on any aspect of stardom or fandom. The list of ideas below is limited, so if you have an idea that is not listed, please suggest the new topic. We are an interdisciplinary area and encourage submissions from multiple perspectives and disciplines. Topics might include:

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*Studies of individual celebrities and their fans*

*Studies focused on specific fandoms*

*The reciprocal relationship between stars and fans*

*Impact of celebrity and fame on identity construction, reconstruction and sense of self*

*Reality television and the changing definition of 'stardom'*

*The impact of social media on celebrity/fan interaction*

*Celebrity/fame addiction as cultural change*

*The intersection of stars and fans in virtual and physical spaces (Twitter, Tumblr, conventions)*

*Celebrity and the construction of persona*

*Pedagogical approaches to teaching stardom and fandom*

*Anti-fans and 'haters'*

*Fan shame, wank, and fandom policing*

*Gendered constructions of stars and fans*

*Historical studies of fandom and fan/celebrity interaction*

All proposals must be submitted through the conference's database at <http://conference2017.southwestpca.org/>

For details on using the submission database and on the application process in general, please see the Proposal Submission FAQs and Tips page at

<http://southwestpca.org/conference/faqs-and-tips/proposal-submission-faqs-and-tips/>

Individual proposals for 15 minute papers must include an abstract of approximately 200-500 words. Including a brief bio in the body of the proposal form is encouraged, but not required.

For information on how to submit a proposal for a roundtable or a multi-paper panel, please view the above FAQs and Tips page.

The deadline for submissions is November 1, 2016.

SWPACA offers monetary awards for the best graduate student papers in a variety of categories. Submissions of accepted, full papers are due December 1. For more information, visit <http://southwestpca.org/conference/graduate-student-awards/>

Registration and travel information for the conference is available at <http://southwestpca.org/conference/registration/>

In addition, please check out the organization's peer-reviewed, scholarly journal, *Dialogue: The Interdisciplinary Journal of Popular Culture and Pedagogy*, at <http://journaldialogue.org>

If you have any questions about the Stardom and Fandom area, please contact its Area Chair, Lynn Zubernis, at [lzubernis@wcupa.edu](mailto:lzubernis@wcupa.edu).

We look forward to receiving your submissions.

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