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Panel Proposal: "Fantasy and Myth in German-Jewish Literature."

German Studies Association Annual Conference, Indianapolis, IN (30 Sept. - 3 Oct. 2021)

Organizers: Dr. Annegret Oehme (UW Seattle) & Dr. Samuel Kessler (Gustavus Adolphus College)

Though often at odds with Judaism's self-professed anti-mythic ethos, Jewish writers have long produced literary (i.e., narrative, fictional) works reflective of themes and ideas that infused with elements from myth and fantasy. From religious poems to modern novels, the esoteric and mystical, fantastical and mythical, are vibrant parts of Jewish literary expression.

We are looking to organize a panel for the 2021 German Studies Association Annual Conference that focuses on fantasy and myth in German-Jewish literature. We seek papers that address texts from any time period or region, provided German is the source-language or literary context.

We have preference for papers that engage the topic with some reference to Jewish religion (e.g., history, theology, mysticism).

For consideration, please send a **title** and **300-word abstract** to Samuel Kessler (kessler@gustavus.edu), along with a brief (150-word) academic biography, by **February 8**.