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The Norman Mailer Society
Tenth Annual Conference, Provincetown
October 10-13, 2012

Unless otherwise noted, all events will be held at the Provincetown Inn

WEDNESDAY, October 10

5:00-7:00: Cocktail Reception, home of Denise and Dean Pappas, 14 Thistlemore Road (first right off Bradford Street as you enter Provincetown, after Hot L Grill, formerly Michael Shays)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11

7:30 to 9:00: Registration

9:00 to 10:30: Business Meeting

10:45 to 12:00, Panel #1: The Russian Reception of Norman Mailer—Victor Peppard; Mailer's Existential Shout of Defiance in *An American Dream*—Barry Leeds; The Father and Son of American Realism: Dreiser and Mailer—Jerome Loving; Moderator TK

12:00-1:30, Lunch on your own

1:45-2:45, Panel #2: Dynamics of the Masculine Group in *The Naked and the Dead*—Fraser Mann; Hemingway, Fitzgerald and Mailer, and the Challenge of Legacy—Phillip Sipiora; Moderator TK

3:00 to 4:00, Roundtable #1: Mailer and Boxing—Sal Cetrano, Ron Fried, Michael Mailer, Maggie McKinley, Jeffrey Michelson, Barry Leeds, moderator

5:00-7:00: Dinner on your own

7:30-9:00: The Shaping of Mailer's Cinematic Sensibility: Mailer's untitled 1947 film—Michael Chaiken and Barbara Wasserman

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12

9:00 TO 9:45: Panel #3: Utter Mailer—Nicole DePolo; Bakhtin's Dialogic Theories of the Novel and *The Executioner's Song*—Joseph Comprone; moderator TK

10:00 to 10:45: Panel #4: Mailer, Jones, Styron: Their Friendship in Letters—Albert LaFarge; Brooklyn Accents and the Paradox of Ambition in Miller and Mailer: Mark J. Noonan; moderator TK

11:00 to 12:00: Coming to “Norman Mailer”: A Signature Reading of *Armies*—Walter Lewallen; Repetition, Realism and History in Mailer’s *Armies*—Todd Hoffman; Mailer’s Novel(ist) In and Beyond the Late Age of Print—Gerald Lucas; moderator TK

12:00 to 1:30: Lunch on your own

1:45 to 2:45: Panel #5: Bravery and Vulnerability in Mailer’s “Tough Guy” Character—Christopher Busa; “The Irish Luck Kid”: O’Neill’s 1916 Provincetown Summer—Robert M. Dowling; His Best Days: John Dos Passos and Provincetown—Townsend Ludington; moderator TK

3:00 to 4:00: Roundtable #2: Mailer’s Jewishness—Mashey Bernstein, John Buffalo Mailer, Barbara Wasserman, Mark Olshaker, moderator.

5:00 to 6:00: Reading by J. Michael Lennon from his forthcoming biography, Robert Begiebing, introduction; Mailer home, 627 Commercial Street

6:30-9:00: Dinner Hot L Bar and Grille, fixed price menu, price TBA

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13

9:00 TO 10:00: Panel #6: The Paradoxical Protagonist in *The Gospel According to the Son*—Maggie McKinley; “Nourishing our Sense of Reality: God, Mailer, and Paradox”—Raymond Vince; Mailer and Plimpton: An Uneasy but Lasting Friendship—Erik Nakjavani, moderator TK

10:15 to 11:00: Panel #7: Evocation and Provocation: Mailer’s Revolutionary Subjectivization—Michael Joshua Rowin; Status of Mailer Scholarship, 2012—Shannon Zinck, moderator TK

11:00 to 12:00: Roundtable #3: Mailer and Women: *The Prisoner of Sex* Revisited—Carol Dine, Deborah Martinson, Denise Pappas, moderator, J. Michael Lennon

12:00 to 2:00, Society Luncheon (cash bar), Elizabeth Mailer, keynote speaker; introduced by Mark Olshaker

2:30-3:30: Wilkes University Readers’ Theater: Mailer on the Sweet Science

4:30 to 6:00: Closing reception, Mailer home, 627 Commercial Street

SUNDAY, October 14

10:00 to 11:00 Board meeting, Mailer home