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CALL FOR PAPERS v.18

Watermark, the annual, peer-reviewed scholarly journal published by graduate students in the English Department at California State University, Long Beach, is now seeking submissions for its eighteenth volume. The journal is dedicated to publishing original, critical, and theoretical papers concerned with literature of all genres and periods, as well as representing current issues in the field of rhetoric and composition. As this journal is intended to provide a forum for emerging voices, only student work will be considered.

For the eighteenth volume of the journal, to be published in late spring 2024, we are seeking papers reflecting a theme of **Traces & Transformation**. We invite students to submit works that consider this theme broadly, asking questions of how the past and present speak to each other, how changes in states of being are experienced or perceived, or what forces are at play in driving such changes. Potential topics may include but are not limited to:

- Identity-formation and self-hood in queer and ethnic literature
- Adaptations and translations of classical myths or medieval literature in contemporary works
- Formal aspects of media and art and their relation to memory

We will consider works of all topics, but thematically-related papers are encouraged.

The deadline to submit a paper for consideration is **Tuesday, April 2nd**. All submissions must include a cover page that consists of your name, phone number, email address, paper title, and short biography (no more than 2 sentences). All submissions should be between 6-18 pages, typed in current MLA format with standard 12-point font. Do not include your name in the essay document itself, as it will be read by a blind peer-review panel. Email papers and all other required documents as separate Word attachments, with the subject headings as "Watermark 2024."

**Send submissions and/or questions to Executive Co-
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