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Dear Friends and Colleagues:

Welcome to Bloomington for our annual gathering. ALTA41 promises to be another outstanding conference, with an almost around-the-clock series of panels, readings, and special events that underscore this year’s themes: Performance, Props, and Platforms. This year’s conference features 67 panels, 229 presenters, and 91 bilingual readers, not to mention the yet-to-be-discovered talent among us that will shine at the always-amazing Declamación!

Let me draw special attention to the theater events we have planned, and to the cross-disciplinary nature of the conference. We welcome renowned playwright, translator, and educator Caridad Svich, recipient of an Obie Award for Lifetime Achievement, as our keynote speaker.

Two staged readings are planned, one cosponsored by IU’s renowned Department of Theatre, Drama, and Contemporary Dance, and another in collaboration with Cardinal Stage. Of particular note as well are the sessions “Translanguaging in ASL Embodied Poetry Performance: A Marriage of Words and Hands” (featuring the Flying Words Project, Deaf American Sign Language poet Peter Cook and collaborator Kenny Lerner), and the Translation Centre Stage Workshop. Endless thanks are due to this year’s conference planning committee.

2018 has been another busy year for our organization. Earlier in the spring, we signed an affiliation agreement with the University of Arizona, and effective January 1, 2019, ALTA will have its central office on the UA campus in Tucson. With the move, our professional staff will expand to an unprecedented size. Our extraordinary team of Elisabeth Jaquette (Executive Director), Kelsi Vanada (new Program Manager), and Rachael Daum (Assistant Managing Director, wired in Serbia) will be supported by an administrative assistant (half-time), a graduate assistant, and interns provided by UA.

Our affiliation with the College of Humanities at the University of Arizona will provide us with a sense of physical belonging, a space where our amazingly creative professional staff can think, plan, and operate, and where they can also draw intellectual and creative sustenance from the larger conversations taking place at UA. Naturally, this physical and operational stability will enable us to focus more effectively on other organizational needs, such as advancement and outreach.

We are equally excited about the creative synergies that both ALTA and UA have so far only imagined. As we move forward, we will keep asking ourselves: How can our collaboration expand the reach, energy, and renown of our organizations? Creative arts organizations and academic institutions—by the nature of our communities—seldom, if ever, experience a deficit of ideas; we never lack vision. Often, though, the ideas that engender transformative action depend on active collaboration built on mutual trust and shared purpose.

As ALTA members, we are literary translators, academics, editors, publishers, and advocates for international literature in translation. Our art/craft intersects with scholarship, teaching, and outreach—making the College of Humanities at the University of Arizona an ideal community with kindred goals and aspirations.

Finally, the Center for the Art of Translation and ALTA board members are challenging you to raise $30,000 to help usher in ALTA’s move to Tucson at this exciting juncture. With your support, we will start the affiliation in strength. Watch your mailboxes for more information about this important challenge.

Enjoy our conference!
Aron Aji, ALTA President
We are very pleased to acknowledge the generous support for this year’s annual gathering, provided by the following individuals and organizations:

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We are also grateful for Elisabeth Jaquette, our Executive Director; Rachael Daum, our Assistant Managing Director; and Kelsi Vanada, our Program Manager, whose professionalism, passion, and dedication make them outstanding colleagues. Also, thanks for the planning expertise of Michelle Boulden and her colleagues at IU Conferences, and the efforts of a large number of passionate volunteers.

A special note of thanks is due to Alexis Levitin for his assistance with the ever-popular Bilingual Readings Series, now in its 30th year. Once again, we are also pleased to thank Barbara Paschke for her efforts in organizing Declamación, one of the most cherished traditions at the ALTA Conference.

We are indebted to the generous sponsors of ALTA’s 2018-19 Emerging Translator Mentorship Program: AmazonCrossing, the Polish Cultural Institute New York, and the Russian Federation Institute of Literary Translation. We are grateful to ALTA’s Past Presidents Council, the Peter K. Jansen Memorial Travel Fund, and the Literature Translation Institute of Korea for their generous support of the 2018 ALTA Travel Fellows.

We are also grateful to Elizabeth Harris, who is serving as mentor to the 2018 ALTA Travel Fellows.

We would be remiss in not thanking the 2018 ALTA Conference Organizing Committee, who worked throughout the year to make the conference come together: Amanda Sarasien, Anne O. Fisher, Catherine Nelson, Chad Post, Corine Tachtiris, Ellen Elias-Bursac, Jeremy Tiang, Keyne Cheshire, Neil Blackadder, Nancy Naomi Carlson, Orlando Menes, Russell Valentino, Sean Bye, and Sebastian Schulman, and Committee Chair Patrick Blaine.
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Each year, between four and six $1,000 fellowships are awarded to emerging (unpublished or minimally published) translators to help them pay for hotel and travel expenses to the annual ALTA conference. The ALTA Travel Fellowships are funded by a combination of private and organizational donations, often generously given by established translators and other devoted supporters of the craft and art of literary translation. 2018 marks the third year of the Peter K. Jansen Memorial Travel Fellowship, preferentially awarded to an emerging translator of color or a translator working from an underrepresented diaspora or stateless language.

This year’s winners were selected by judges Marguerite Feitlowitz, Margarit Ordukhanyan, Emma Ramdhan, and Haider Shahbaz. The 2018 ALTA Travel Fellowships are made possible thanks to the generous support of ALTA’s Past Presidents Council, the Peter K. Jansen Memorial Travel Fund, and the Literature Translation Institute of Korea. Congratulations to these exceptional emerging translators, chosen from more than 100 applicants:

Mariam Rahmani, 2018 Peter K. Jansen Memorial Travel Fellow (Persian)

Mariam Rahmani is a writer, translator, and emerging scholar. Her current projects include a novel-in-progress and a translation from Persian into English of Mahsa Mohebali’s Don’t Worry (2008), for which she was recently awarded a 2018 PEN/Heim Translation Fund Grant. In 2017, Mariam served as one of five inaugural writers-in-residence with The Mastheads in Pittsfield, Massachusetts for her novel, and has participated in VONA/Voices, a workshop dedicated to writers of color, as well as the Bread Loaf Translators’ Conference. Her articles have appeared in The Rumpus, the Los Angeles Review of Books, and BOMB Magazine. She graduated summa cum laude from Princeton University with a BA in Comparative Literature, earned an MSt in Islamic Art with distinction from the University of Oxford, and completed a Fulbright research grant in the UAE. Currently, she is a candidate for the PhD in Comparative Literature at UCLA, writing a dissertation on gender in translation and the violence of subject-formation.

Serving as Mariam’s first book-length translation project, Don’t Worry by Mahsa Mohebali follows Shadi, a rich, disillusioned junkie, on an apocalyptic day of earthquakes as she roams through a quickly crumbling Tehran in search of her next fix. This tightly crafted, arguably queer, narrative eloquently interweaves a gritty vernacular with poetic prose, moving between dialogue that is almost cinematic in its naturalism and the narrator’s lyrical first-person reflections. The novel has been widely celebrated in Iran, winning the Golshiri Prize (the equivalent of a Pulitzer), among other accolades. It has already been published in Italian and Swedish translations.

Elina Alter, 2018 ALTA Travel Fellow (Russian/German)

A few years ago, while living in Abu Dhabi, Elina decided to translate a story. She wanted to practice Spanish, and also to find a way to link her writing and the daily practice of life in the UAE, where the national language is Arabic, the lingua franca is English, and the population speaks dozens of other languages, from Albanian to Urdu. Conversations can be full of confusion and infelicities of language, as well as new coinages, nonce-words, and, if you’re lucky and paying attention, poetry.

Aply, a friend recommended that Elina’s adventures in literary translation start with Borges’ “La forma de la espada,” a story in which an Irishman called The Englishman gives an account of his failure as a revolutionary, from the perspective of the man he betrayed. The story is narrated by a character called Borges. The surreal experience of reading, translating, and “being” Borges felt appropriate to the strangeness of living in the UAE, and translation itself proved to be a deeply necessary corollary to Elina’s writing. If the work of the writer can seem solitary, the work of the translator is a collaboration among many; the translator listens not just to the voice of one particular writer, but to the voices around that writer, everything that informs the text. She must also know intuitively the rhythms of her own time and place, in order to offer a translation that’s both intelligible and inventive; that despite being incommensurate to the original, is original in its new language.

To continue developing as a writer and a translator, Elina enrolled in the MFA Writing Program at Columbia, where she studied with Susan Bernofsky, Natasha Wimmer, Monica de la Torre, and Rowan Ricardo Phillips. While a student, she was an Emerging Writer at the Festival des ecrivains du monde, traveling to Paris to meet with young writers from India and discuss writing, translation, and the politics of writing in English. Her translation thesis was a collection of the young Chekhov’s vibrant early humor pieces, originally published in St. Petersburg and Moscow magazines. Supported by a Katharine Bakeless Nason scholarship, she revised the thesis with Idra Novey at the Bread Loaf Translators’ Conference, and published selections in The Paris Review Daily. She is currently translating the St. Petersburg poet Alla Gorbunova’s acclaimed 2017 collection of short fiction, Ings & Oughts, described by critics as “visionary, thrilling, and smart.” Selections appear in the Summer 2018 issue of the New England Review. She writes about work in translation for Publishers Weekly, BOMB, and other publications.

Elina was born in St. Petersburg. She earned her B.A. at the Gallatin School at New York University and earned an MFA in Fiction and Translation at the School of the Arts at Columbia University, where she was a Teaching Fellow. She is the incoming editor of Circumference: Poetry in Translation. Circumference was founded in 2003 by Jennifer Kronovet and Stefania Heim; it

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Lizzie Buehler, 2018 ALTA Travel Fellow (Korean)

Lizzie Buehler grew up in Austin, Texas. She began to learn Korean during a gap year before college, when she attended high school in Seoul and Jeollabuk-do. Lizzie continued her study of Korean—alongside Japanese, Chinese, and Spanish—at Princeton University, where she was a Comparative Literature major and a Creative Writing minor. At Princeton, she found that translation provided an opportunity to meld her passions for foreign languages and creative expression. For her senior thesis, she translated part of the short story collection Table for One by Yun Ko Eun, and won the Edmund Keeley Translation Prize.

After graduating, Lizzie spent a year in New York working at a literary agency and freelance translating. She also served as Assistant Editor at Asymptote, where she helped curate the journal’s first Korean literature feature. Over the past year, several of her short translations have been published and can be found in Asymptote, The Massachusetts Review, Korean Literature Now, Azalea, and Litro. Lizzie recently received a Daesan Grant to complete her translation of Table for One, which is forthcoming from Columbia University Press.

Lizzie’s work has been guided by notions of literary value, inspired by a publisher’s feedback on one of her early translations: “I very much enjoyed this piece, but it’s not literary enough to translate.” Considering this statement has helped Lizzie form an understanding of the question that motivates her as a translator: what constitutes “literary”? The writing of Yun Ko Eun, whom Lizzie has been translating for the past four years, is comedic and oftentimes odd. It diverges from mournful Korean classics and the introspective novels for which Korean literature has become known in the 21st century. Lizzie hopes her translations of Yun will broaden conceptions of Korean literature and of literary worth.

This fall, Lizzie will join the MFA program in Literary Translation at the University of Iowa, where she is an Iowa Arts Fellow. In Iowa, she looks forward to immersing herself in a cross-lingual community of translators and writers and to working with languages beyond Korean.

Lizzie is thrilled to meet other translators at her first ALTA conference.

Aaron Robertson, 2018 ALTA Travel Fellow (Italian)

Aaron Robertson is a Detroit native currently living in New York City. A journalist and translator, his interests lie between North African and European culture and history. Aaron’s aim as a translator is to bring stories of the African diaspora in Italy—and Italians in Africa—into English.

As an undergraduate at Princeton University, Aaron began studying Italian language and literature. Though the traditional contemporary canon of Italian literature appealed to him—Italo Calvino, Elsa Morante, Natalia Ginzburg, and Alberto Moravia loom large—he sought to merge this line of study with his interest in African-American literary traditions. Surely James Baldwin or Toni Morrison could offer him a different way of thinking about racial politics abroad. And they did.

In 2015, he traveled throughout Scotland, England, and Italy to visit sites associated with medieval Christian saints, while also writing fiction that synthesized Black literary practices and the genres of autobiography, confessional, and the vita (life of a saint). The following year, he studied for a semester at the University of Bologna, Italy. That summer, his journalism career began at the Detroit Metro Times, where he wrote on the intersection of activist art and politics in the city.

While at Princeton, he was fortunate to receive instruction and guidance from authors and translators like Jeffrey Eugenides, David Bellos, John McPhee, and Jhumpa Lahiri. Lahiri’s course in literary translation alerted Aaron to the ways in which various writers have come to appreciate translation as a worthy art and challenge.

Aaron was Editor-in-Chief of The Nassau Literary Review, Princeton’s oldest student publication. During his tenure, he helped organize intercollegiate literary conferences and a symposium that featured magazine editors, publishers, designers, and authors. Highlights from his time with the Review include his interview with Angela Flournoy, the National Book Award-nominated author of The Turner House, and a panel he co-curated featuring journalist Nikole Hannah-Jones, n+1 Editor Marco Roth, and Pulitzer Prize-winning poet Tracy K. Smith.

On a proposal to study Afro-Italian women’s literature, Aaron received a Rhodes Scholarship to attend the University of Oxford. He wrote his master’s thesis on generic innovations in Martha Nasibu’s Memorie di una principessa etiope (Memories of an Ethiopian Princess). He has written on Italian literature and politics for publications including Foreign Policy, n+1, and The Point Magazine.

In 2018, Aaron received a PEN/Heim Translation Fund Grant for his translation of Igjoba Scoego’s Beyond Babylon (Oltre Babilonia), which will be published by Two Lines Press in 2019. He is currently working on translations of Giulia Caminito’s The Big A (La Grande A) and Martha Nasibu’s Memories of an Ethiopian Princess (Memorie di una principessa etiope). Earlier this summer, he joined The New York Times as a James Reston Reporting Fellow, where he wrote for the Metro section.
Brian Sneeden, 2018 ALTA Travel Fellow (Modern Greek)

While completing his MFA in Creative Writing at the University of Virginia, Brian was given a book by a friend that contained poems by George Seferis in translation, which opened him to the world of Modern Greek poetry and authors such as C.P. Cavafy, Odysseas Elytis, and Rhea Galanaki. Wanting to experience the works behind the translations, he enrolled in courses in Modern Greek, and in 2015 he began a PhD in English at the University of Connecticut, where he studies literary translation.

In 2016 he had the opportunity to meet contemporary Greek poet and performance artist Phoebe Giannisi, and began working on translating her poetry. His first attempts were experimental: playing and replaying audio recordings of the poet’s readings to help restage the poems’ internal rhyme, alliteration, and metrical variation in English. The struggle—and pleasure—was learning from the poems themselves how to convey their inventiveness of sound and spell-cadences. Working closely with the poet, Brian translated Giannisi’s collection of poems, *Homerica*, which was published in December by World Poetry Books and selected by Anne Carson as a favorite book of 2017.

As a translator, Brian’s primary goal is to create translations that recreate the poem’s sense of rhythm and music. His work stems from a belief that a translation of a poem must, first, be a viable poem in the target language. In addition to translation, Brian also writes poetry, and his first book of poems, *Last City*, was published in February by Carnegie Mellon University Press. His current projects include a second collection of poems by Phoebe Giannisis titled Cicada, which received a 2018 PEN/Heim Translation Fund Grant, and translations of work by Athens-based poet George Prevedourakis.

Maggie Zebracka, 2018 ALTA Travel Fellow (Polish)

Originally from a small town in the Polish Carpathian Mountains, Maggie Zebracka immigrated to Chicago at the age of five. Soon after, her parents enrolled her in after-school Polish classes (popular in Chicago among its sizeable Polish-American population). Despite doing her best to resist attending—perhaps out of a desire to call herself American as quickly as possible—she’s grateful for all those Friday evenings spent in the company of Polish literature, history, and grammar.

Those early experiences informed not only her sense of identity, but her creative work as well. Her MFA thesis at Vanderbilt—a novel still in-progress—explored how first-generation communities reconciled their newly hyphenated identities. The novel was, in many ways, a bilingual one. Much of the dialogue in Polish was left untranslated, and the characters often talked past one another, in Polish and in English. Maggie tried to examine how the worlds that characters construct out of language allow them to create space for themselves in their new homes, their new countries.

Maggie has since been drawn to translation. She finds it a dynamic place where two languages can meet, interact, and, ultimately, transform one another, creating a shared history that enriches both cultures through the text. But it also exposes the differences between those cultures—the ways in which they signal agency or handle miscommunication. Joanna Bator, whose novels Maggie is currently translating, is interested in situating her novels within the tension between two languages and histories. Many of them are set near the Polish-German border, where decades-old rifts persist and linger, manifesting anew in each generation.

She was introduced to Bator through her novel, *Dark, Almost Night*, which won Poland’s prestigious Nike Literary Award in 2014. However, she was surprised to learn that none of Bator’s books had yet been translated into English. *Dark, Almost Night* follows Alicja Tabor, a journalist who has returned to her childhood home in a small Silesian mining town to report on the disappearance of three local children. When the investigation leads her into the darkness that lurks beneath Wałbrzych’s surface, Alicja must confront not only the town’s traumas and secrets but those of her own past as well. Maggie’s excerpted translations of the book appear in *Asymptote*, *Hayden’s Ferry Review*, and *Drunken Boat*.

While working on *Dark, Almost Night*, she completed a Graduate Certificate in Linguistics, which helped to illuminate the logical relationships of sentence structure and sound between and within languages. The study of extracting meaning from decisions about tense or aspect, for example, has helped her to consider interpretations with more nuance.

She is very excited to study literary translation as an MFA student at the University of Iowa this fall, and she is grateful to ALTA for the opportunity to attend the conference and to meet all the translators whose work she has long admired.
ALTA EMERGING TRANSLATOR MENTORSHIPS

For the fourth year, ALTA is proud to present our year-long mentorship program for emerging translators working on a book-length project. The ALTA Emerging Translator Mentorship Program was founded by former ALTA Board Member Allison M. Charette, and is designed to facilitate and establish a close working relationship between an experienced translator and an emerging translator on a project selected by the emerging translator. This year, ALTA again offered mentorships in Polish and Russian prose, as well as two non-language-specific mentorships, one in prose and the other in poetry. Congratulations to the 2018-2019 emerging translators:

Fiona Bell (Russian Prose)

Fiona Bell grew up in the United States, South Korea, and France. After reading Turgenev’s novel Fathers and Sons in high school, she became intensely curious about Russian culture and began learning the language in university. Fiona spent one summer in St. Petersburg, Russia at the Derzhavin Institute. In 2017 she received a Critical Language Scholarship to study Russian in Nizhni Novgorod, where she learned, among other things, to garnish all food with a generous amount of sour cream.

In 2017 Fiona received a grant to visit the apartment-museums of two female Russian poets: Anna Akhmatova and Marina Tsvetaeva. The poets wrote letters to each other for years, diverging on most issues of poetry and politics, but ultimately forming a friendship. In 2017 Fiona wrote Letters and Dreams, a play that imagines the only meeting between these two poets, which occurred in 1941 but had no witnesses. Fiona translated the poets’ work and incorporated it into the script, attempting to adapt the Russian tradition of poetry recitation for the American stage. The play was staged at Princeton’s Lewis Center for the Arts in 2018. Fiona is eager to continue exploring the possibilities of poetry on stage at this year’s performance-themed ALTA conference.

Fiona took two translation courses during her junior year, translating excerpts of Tolstoy, Lermontov, Bulgakov, and others. For her thesis in translation, she translated a collection of poems by Elena Isaeva, a contemporary Moscow poet. In her poems, Isaeva resurrects people through memory, making her former schoolmates, family members, and lovers as present as those who are physically near. By conjuring figures from her past, Isaeva revives her own past selves: child, student, lover. One of the joys of translating her poetry was discovering the many experiences and identities of a contemporary Russian woman. The American understanding of Russia is so heavily based on male figures, whether Putin on the news or Tolstoy in literature classes. These pictures are incongruous with Fiona’s own experiences in Russia, which have been quite female-centered. As a scholar and translator, she is wholeheartedly devoted to translating female voices from Russia.

Fiona is pursuing an MPhil degree in Modern Languages at Oxford University, where she continues to study Russian drama, poetry, and translation. She is currently writing a play that adapts Valentin Raspustin’s 1976 novel Farewell to Matyora into a dramatic exploration of family, grief, and climate change in contemporary Florida. In general, Fiona is interested in the exchanges between Russian and other cultures. She has written about how 17th-century French dramas were “translated” on stage for 19th-century Russian audiences. She researched the hybrid architecture of Japanese Russian Orthodox churches, focusing on Tokyo’s Nikolai-do cathedral. She also studied Journey Beyond Three Seas, a 1957 film in Hindi and Russian that celebrates the friendship between the Indian and Soviet governments. Fiona is excited to learn more about various languages and cultures by connecting with other translators at this year’s ALTA conference.

Lauren Dubowski (Polish Prose)

Lauren Dubowski comes to translation from a lifelong passion for the arts and a fascination with communication across cultures. Born in New York, she grew up in the culturally, linguistically, and politically diverse town of Chapel Hill, North Carolina. From an early age, she took classes in French, along with art, music, and theatre, in the public school system. She later worked in technical theatre, and interned at the American School for the Deaf, learning American Sign Language.

Lauren received a BA/MA in French Literature at Bryn Mawr College. There, she also studied Italian, as well as theatre at Swarthmore College. The subject of her thesis was Renée Vivien, a British writer in French active in Belle Époque Paris. Lauren went on to work in the Philadelphia arts community, where she helped launch the Headlong Performance Institute. Additionally, she studied Polish at Jagellonian University in Kraków, through scholarships from the Kosciuszko Foundation.

Lauren’s interests led her to Yale School of Drama, where she has trained as a dramaturg, researcher, teacher, translator, and writer in the Dramaturgy and Dramatic Criticism department. As an MFA student, she collaborated on many productions in a variety of creative roles; participated in a theatre for social change workshop in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania; and served as an artistic associate and artistic director of the Yale Cabaret. Lauren then spent a year in Yogyakarta, Indonesia as a Luce Scholar. While drawn to explore puppetry there and in other countries in Asia, she also developed an interest in film, newly aware of its global impact. She began to produce film and new media projects with Ado Ato Pictures, a production company she now continues to work with in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.
Lauren’s DFA dissertation at Yale School of Drama is focused on the “Young Poland” theatre and visual artist Stanislaw Wyspiański, and includes her English-language translations of several of his dramas. She has been fortunate to see many of his plays performed in Poland, thanks to the support of the Fulbright Program and the MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies at Yale. With this project, she hopes to encourage greater awareness of Wyspiański’s work internationally.

Lauren has contributed translation and writing to publications such as European Stages, The Theatre Times, and Words Without Borders. She was also recently commissioned by the Adam Mickiewicz Institute to translate Stanislaw Ignacy Witkiewicz’s 1925 novel Farewell to Autumn into English. Lauren is thrilled for the opportunity to dive into and share the timely, unique prose drama of Maria Pawliowska-Jasnorzewska (1891-1945) as an Emerging Translator mentee.

Jennifer Kellogg (Non-Language-Specific Poetry)

Jennifer R. Kellogg is a scholar of modern and ancient Greece who resides in Rochester, NY. Ardent about the ancient world from a young age, Jennifer earned a BA in Classical Philology from Beloit College and spent her junior year abroad at College Year in Athens, Greece. While in Athens, Jennifer began a journey to fluency in modern Greek by helping her friends buy cigarettes and ask for directions in a sprawling metropolis. After college, Jennifer earned an MA in West European Studies from Indiana University and completed her training in Modern Greek. From 2000 until 2009, Jennifer worked at Harvard University’s Center for Hellenic Studies in Washington, D.C. There she gained a lifelong appreciation for Homeric Greek, organized many scholarly conferences and projects, and led the charge to open a research and teaching center for Harvard University in Nafplion, Greece. The CHS Greece facility recently celebrated its tenth anniversary and continues to be a hub of innovative cross-cultural education and research.

In 2013, Jennifer earned her PhD in Modern Languages and Literatures from the Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB) in Belgium. Her dissertation was entitled George Seferis’ Poetics: Loss and the Language of Topos and was a study of 20th-century modern Greek poet George Seferis, who won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1963. The focus of her dissertation was how George Seferis’ poetry articulates ideas and images of homeland. Jennifer translated all of the Greek texts cited, including re-translating dozens of Seferis’ poems. This experience introduced Jennifer to the world of literary translation beyond academic or philological translation.

Jennifer is very lucky to reside in Rochester, NY, a town with a vibrant literary translation scene, thanks to Open Letter Books at the University of Rochester. With the encouragement of many translator friends, Jennifer decided to work on a manuscript of her poetry translations. Her work-in-progress is of George Seferis’ Book of Exercises II, published posthumously in 1976. Most of the poems in this volume have not yet appeared in English. Book of Exercises II is a collection of drafts, experiments, and final poems drawn from the poet’s diaries spanning 1931 to 1971.

Jennifer is looking forward to tackling the variety of poetic forms in Book of Exercises II—haiku, aphorisms, rhyming limericks, short verses, and free verse poems—with the support of the ALTA Emerging Translator Mentorship Program.

Mirgul Kali (Non-Language-Specific Prose)

Mirgul Kali is a native of Kazakhstan. She has a background in engineering and spent fifteen years working in the oil and gas industry. She first became involved with literary translation a couple of years ago while volunteering at the Silk Road House, an organization based in San Francisco Bay Area. At this non-profit, dedicated to promoting and supporting diverse ethnic cultural traditions, she translated Kazakh folk tales and songs for storytelling events and singing workshops. Since then, she has translated several short stories by Kazakh writers, some of which have appeared or are forthcoming in Tupelo Quarterly and Asymptote.

For the ALTA mentorship program, Mirgul chose to translate Kokbalaq, a novella by a prominent Kazakh writer Mukhtar Magauin, whose works are highly regarded and widely read in Kazakhstan. The novella follows a gifted musician through transformative and tumultuous events of the 20th-century (the expansion of the Russian Empire into Kazakhstan, the Soviet rule, and World War II) which cause disruption in the traditional nomadic lifestyle of Kazakh people. The book explores the role and meaning of art in the life of a man who witnesses not only obliteration of his family and wealth, but also disintegration of the very environment that allows him to practice his ancient art.

Very little Kazakh literature has been translated into English, and most of the existing translations have been made on the basis of Russian translations. By translating directly from Kazakh to English, Mirgul hopes to offer another, possibly a more nuanced and informed interpretation, of the national literature and share its rich and unique voices with the rest of the world. She is confident that participation in the ALTA Emerging Translator Mentorship Program will help her become a better translator and support her in her mission to promote Kazakh literature abroad.

Mentors for the 2018-2019 mentorships are Bill Johnston (Polish prose), Marian Schwartz (Russian prose), Madhu Kaza (non-language-specific prose), and Kareem James Abu-Zeid (non-language-specific poetry). These mentorships are offered by ALTA in partnership with the Polish Cultural Institute New York, the Russian Federation Institute of Literary Translation, and AmazingCrossing. Details about the program are available at www.literarytranslators.org/awards/mentorships.
LITERARY TRANSLATION AT COLUMBIA

An encounter with literary translation is beneficial to many writers' development and imagination, enhancing their understanding of voice and style while challenging them to write in a plurality of modes (including cross-genre projects).

The MFA Writing Program at Columbia University School of the Arts offers students in its Fiction, Nonfiction, and Poetry concentrations the opportunity to study Literary Translation through LTAC (Literary Translation at Columbia). All LTAC workshops, seminars, and master classes are open to any interested student in the Writing Program, and no prior experience in literary translation or fluency in a language other than English is required.

Recent faculty include Susan Bernofsky (LTAC Director), Edith Grossman, Natasha Wimmer, John Keene, David Hinton, Mónica de la Torre, Matvei Yankelevich, Rowan Ricardo Phillips, Madhu Kaza, and Jennifer Hayashida.

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Joshua Daniel Edwin '14, kummerang (gloomerang), the first book by young German poet Dagmara Kraus (from German). (Image above.)

Cold Moons by Magnús Sigurðsson translated from Icelandic by Meg Matich ’15 (Phoneme Media, 2017)

The Last Country by Svenja Leiber, translated from German by Nika Knight ’15 (Seagull Books, 2018)

Third-Millennium Heart by Ursula Andkjær Olsen translated from Danish by Katrine Øgaard Jensen ’17 (Action Books / Broken Dimanche Press, 2017), and a finalist for the Best Translated Book Award 2018

Pioneers: The First Breach by S. An-sky translated from Yiddish by Rose Waldman ’14 (Syracuse University Press, 2017)

Voices in the Dark by Marcel Beyer (words) and Ulli Lust (images) adapted from the translation from German of John Brownjohn by Nika Knight ’15 (New York Review Comics, 2017)

Old Demons, New Deities: Twenty-One Short Stories from Tibet edited and with translations from Tibetan by Tenzin Dickie ’14 (OR Books, 2017)

The Secret Book of Kings: A Novel by Yochi Brandes translated from Hebrew by Yardenne Greenspan ’12 (St. Martin’s Press, 2016)

The Clouds by Juan José Saer translated from Spanish by Hilary Vaughn Dobel ’12 (Open Letter Books, 2016)

Extracting the Stone of Madness by Alejandra Pizarnik translated from Spanish by Yvette Siegert ’07 (New Directions, 2016)

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9:00am – 6:00pm  Translators and their Props: From the Collections of the Lilly Library (Lilly Library, Lincoln Room)
To welcome guests at ALTA41, the Lilly Library is offering a display of materials related to translators and their props. The exhibition will include notebooks, correspondence, word lists, special reference works, and other aids translators employ in their work. Examples have been selected from four archives: Joel Agee, revising his translation of Rilke’s Letters on Cézanne; Max Eastman, translating Trotsky’s The History of the Russian Revolution; Peter Theroux, working with the Iraqi author Alia Mamdouh’s novel Habbāt al-Naftālīn (Mothballs); and Barbara Wright, translating such leading French authors as Raymond Queneau. Organized by Breon Mitchell, this exhibit will be on display in the Lincoln Room from October 29–December 14 during normal library hours.

1:30pm – 4:30pm  ALTA Board Meeting (Charter Room, Main Level)

3:30pm – 4:30pm  Volunteer Orientation (State Room West, Second Floor)

5:00pm – 8:00pm  Registration (East Lounge, Main Level)

5:00pm – 7:00pm  Opening Reception (IMU Garden, Main Level/Rain Location: Georgian Room, First Floor)
Sponsored by the IU Office of the Provost and the Office of International Affairs in the College of Arts and Sciences
Light appetizers and cash bar available.

7:30pm – 9:30pm  Offsite: Translation Trivia Night
Hosted by Bill Johnston
How much do you REALLY know about translation? Join us for a light-hearted quiz on all things translational! Teams of two to four players will be organized at the start of the event and will compete for prizes and bragging rights. Libations will be available to stimulate your memory!

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Thursday, November 1, 2018

6:00am – 9:00am  Breakfast (on your own)

7:00am – 7:30am  Volunteer Orientation (State Room West, Second Floor)

8:00am – 5:00pm  Registration (East Lounge, Main Level)

8:00am – 5:30pm  Family Room (Hoosier Room, Main Level)

8:00am – 8:45am  First-time ALTA Participants Meeting (Whittenberger Auditorium, First Floor)

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Moderator: Katherine Hedeen
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**Maple (Main Level)**  
**Translating Poetry into Performance**  
Four poet/translators discuss and debate the challenges and rewards of transporting poetry from Persian, Urdu, and Greek into performable structures of dramatic arts and music of English. How do cultural differences expand the English language? What sorts of departures from the original text does the translator have to make in order to make the new text a believable performance? How does the diasporic experience become a third cultural experience?  
Moderator: Sholeh Wolpé  
Participants: Aliki Barnstone  
Tony Barnstone  
Bilal Shah

9:00am – 10:15am  
**Redbud (Main Level)**  
**Bilingual Readings 1: Politics**  
Moderator: Katherine Young

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9:00am – 10:15am  
**Sassafras (Main Level)**  
**Up Your Game: Reading and Performing Russian Translations**  
This Russian translation workshop will focus on how translators perform texts, quite literally. Translators are often called upon to read from our work, and our skill in doing so—delivering a performance fluently, with emotional resonance and good pacing, for example—inevitably and immediately affects how our work, and therefore the author’s work, is received by audiences. Translators of Russian and other Slavic-language poetry and prose will gather to demonstrate their best techniques for oral presentation of their work, and receive constructive feedback from colleagues. Those who wish to actively participate are asked to come prepared with a text to perform. Anyone with an interest in the topic is welcome to attend, and we encourage translators of all experience levels to participate.  
Moderators: Shelley Fairweather-Vega  
Mary Jane White

9:00am – 10:15am  
**Persimmon (Main Level)**  
**An Echo Within: Listening for the Translator’s Voice in the Translated Text**  
Public recognition and acceptance of the translator’s voice have evolved from utter erasure to frequent acknowledgment on the title page. Meanwhile, translators, knowing their voice was inevitably embedded in the translated text, have always had to come to terms with the question of their own voice: its place, its role, and its relationship with the voice of the author. This panel will contribute to that ongoing discussion by exploring ways in which translators find their own voice within the voice of their authors. How do they see their own voice inflected by factors such as authorial style and literary genre?  
Moderator: Lynn E. Palermo  
Participants: Mira Rosenthal  
Marci Vogel  
Orlando R. Menes

9:00am – 10:15am  
**Dogwood (Main Level)**  
**Performing Idiomatic Surgery, Implementing Props of Culture, and Securing Platform of Locale**  
Tricks of the translation trade, well, traded. When or how does one stitch idioms together, avoid creating monstrous scars, excise or breathe life into idioms? Do we prop up cultural references via footnotes, remarks, re-phrasings? Or let them stand (and hope the readers’ props are not knocked out from under them)? And, whenever our source text is clearly based in a certain geographical place, how do we convey location, location, location with finesse and grace? Panel members will describe their experience translating to and from English, French—Francophone and continental—German, Gujarati, Polish, Portuguese, and Spanish, and will engage in what promises to be a lively and insightful discussion with audience members.  
Moderator: Marilya Veteto Reese  
Participants: Grażyna Drabik  
Patricia Frederick  
Astrid Klocke  
Iva Patel  
Michael Rulon  
Heath Wing  
Elitza Kotzeva
9:00am – 10:15am
Bilingual Readings 2: Spain
Moderator: Alexis Levitin

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9:00am | Carolyn Tipton | Rafael Alberti | Spain | Spanish | Poetry
9:12am | Don Bogen | Julio Martínez Mesanza | Spain | Spanish | Poetry
9:24am | Louise Cole | José Ovejero | Spain | Spanish | Fiction
9:36am | Lucina Schell | Erika Martínez | Spain | Spanish | Poetry
9:48am | Patrick Blaine | David Jiménez | Spain | Spanish | Nonfiction
10:00am | Catherine Nelson | Luisa Carnés | Spain | Spanish | Fiction

10:15am – 10:45am
Beverage Break (Frangipani, Main Level)

10:45am – 12:00pm
Natural Selection: What Translation Editors Look For
Oak (Main Level)
What factors, conscious or unconscious, influence an editor’s choice of one translation over another? What criteria should be used when considering the quality of a translation? If it’s survival of the fittest, the strongest translation in terms of language, image, and metaphor should rise to the top. On the other hand, a “weaker” manuscript may tickle a translation editor’s fancy because it strikes a chord in terms of theme/time period/language/voice/culture. In the end, there’s no accounting for personal taste. Panelists are experienced book and journal editors who publish translations.

Moderators: Barbara Goldberg
Curtis Bauer
Participants: Nancy Naomi Carlson
Russell Scott Valentino
Carl Adamschick

10:45am – 12:00pm
My First Time: Translating and Performing Writers Who Have Never Been Translated Before
Walnut (Main Level)
Some authors have plenty of experience with translation, and then there are others with, well, no experience. Zero. Zilch. Nada. Hichi! We will discuss how to introduce a writer to the art of translation and being a part of derivative works based on those translations, and explore how translating first-timers is an essential part of inclusiveness and diversity. We will also offer practical tips and share experiences on the good and bad of working with a translation virgin.

Moderator: Aviya Kushner
Participants: Kareem James Abu-Zeid
Niloufar Talebi
Jason Grunebaum
Roman Ivashkiv
Yardenne Greenspan

10:45am – 12:00pm
How the Sausage is Made: Theater Translation from Nose to Tail
Maple (Main Level)
This roundtable of theater practitioners will discuss the mechanics of getting dramatic translations to the stage, and the role of each person involved. What are the steps involved in programming and developing a play, and how can translators get more involved in this process? Conversations around diversity in the theater seem to stop short at our linguistic borders, and translated works are woefully under-represented in the American repertoire—how can translators collaborate more effectively with theater companies to increase their numbers and develop an ecosystem that supports writing from beyond the Anglosphere? Panelists will discuss these timely questions, with examples from productions they have worked on.

Moderator: Neil Blackadder
Participants: Patrizia Acerra
Trine Garrett
Jeremy Tiang

10:45am – 12:00pm
Bilingual Readings 3: Asian Languages
Redbud (Main Level)
Moderator: Kate Costello

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10:45am | Kate Costello | Hsia Yu | United States | Chinese | Poetry
10:57am | Noriko Mitzusaki | Ono no Komachi | Japan | Japanese | Poetry
11:09am | Ray Chandrasekara | Pramoedya Ananta Toer | Indonesia | Indonesian | Fiction
11:21am | Byoung Park | Ko Un | South Korea | Korean | Poetry
11:33am | Edward Morin | Cai Qijiao | China | Chinese (Mandarin) | Poetry
10:45am – 12:00pm
Translating Hyphenated Latin America
Sassafras (Main Level)
Latin American literature is still often presented in the US as monolithic, with immigrant, refugee, indigenous, Asian-, and Afro-Latin American voices remaining in obscurity. We aim to highlight narratives that challenge monocultural/monolingual constructions of Latin America. The market for literary translation remains very much tied to narrowly defined national literatures; as translators on this panel, we seek to push it out of those boxes and to deconstruct our role as cultural advocates.

Featuring translators of Nicolás Guillén, Noemi Jaffe, Lourdes Llasag Fernández, José Watanabe, and Julia Wong.
Moderator: Jennifer Shyue
Participants: Michelle Har Kim
Achy Obejas
Julia Sanches

10:45am – 12:00pm
Tools and Techniques for Translating “Low-Resourced” Languages
Persimmon (Main Level)
The vast majority of languages in the world have relatively few linguistic resources, such as dictionaries and software, at their disposal. Linguists typically refer to such languages as being “low resourced,” and they include not only endangered and indigenous languages but also languages with relatively large numbers of speakers. This makes translating from them something of a challenge. How can we translate in an environment of relative resource paucity? How can we develop new resources? Can technology help us? What sorts of collaborations might we undertake? This “props” and “platforms” panel brings together individuals working at the intersection of translation, computational linguistics technology, and linguistic and cultural preservation.

Moderator: Keyne Cheshire
Participants: Damir Cavar
Anya Peterson Royce
Tiffany Higgins
Susan Kalter

10:45am – 12:00pm
Approaches to Translating Oralcy
Dogwood (Main Level)
What unique challenges and opportunities surface in translating oralcy? How can translations open areas for the varieties of oralcy—oral traditions and their ritual and/or performance settings, primarily spoken languages presented in literatures and texts that were meant to be read aloud? This panel will consider approaches to translating oral literatures and their performances across an array of languages and literatures: Levantine Arabic in a graphic novel, a French novel quoting Kirundi folk songs, a Spanish surrealist novel that constructs orality from intertextual and interlingual engagements, ancient Chinese poetries, archaic Greek philosophies.

Moderator: D. M. Spitzer
Participants: Jonathan Stalling
Hannah Jakobsen
Joseph Ellison Brockway

10:45am – 12:00pm
Bilingual Readings 4: Romance Languages
State Room West (Second Floor)
Moderator: Alexis Levitin

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12:00pm – 2:00pm
Lunch (on your own)

12:30pm – 1:45pm
Special Programming: God of Vengeance Reading and Panel Discussion in Partnership with Cardinal Stage

Cardinal Stage presents a short reading from Sholem Asch’s play *God of Vengeance*, followed by a panel discussion with experts on Yiddish theater. *God of Vengeance* was first produced in 1907, and was widely produced throughout Europe before arriving in New York. An English translation moved to Broadway in 1923, and was promptly shut down for obscenity. A provocative piece unto itself, this play is also the subject of Paula Vogel’s award-winning, meta-theatrical play *Indecent*. This reading will give audiences a taste of Asch’s work, and the panel will illuminate the themes and context, both past and present.

Ivy Tech John Waldron Arts Center Theater
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<td>This panel explores the current landscape of opportunities available to literary translators in the form of grants, residencies, prizes, and workshops. Instead of hearing from program administrators or alumni, this session brings together a group of judges who have previously sat on the committees for organizations such as PEN America, the Banff International Literary Translation Centre, the National Endowment for the Arts, and others. Together the panelists will discuss what makes a successful application, how committees work to make selection, and give other behind-the-scenes insights. This will also be a chance to learn more about the wide variety of programs available to translators today.</td>
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<td><strong>Dot Dot Dot... Punctuation, Pacing, and Parsing in Poetry and Prose</strong></td>
<td>Walnut (Main Level)</td>
<td>In both prose and poetry, punctuation serves as a surrogate for spoken intonation, providing (or withholding) crucial assistance to readers in the pacing and parsing of literary texts. Yet punctuation conventions, and their transgression, vary widely across languages. Offering contemporary examples from Chinese, French, Italian, and Polish, this panel will consider how punctuation choices play a critical role in shaping the reading experience in the target language.</td>
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<td><strong>Practical Performance: Transcreating Lorca’s “Duende” and Workshopping Arbuthnot/Le’s “Wings”</strong></td>
<td>Maple (Main Level)</td>
<td>Session attendees will experience firsthand what it might be like to translate as adaptor and creator. In the case of “Duende,” we will use ideas of “transcreation” to actively perform “duende” in a new context in English, beyond the birthplace of Lorca’s inspiration, as we work at performing source material rather than simply transposing it. In the case of “Bequest of Wings: An American Journey,” participants will read aloud two or three short scenes and discuss how best to transfer Vietnamese expressions and cultural and historical references to a new culture.</td>
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<td><strong>Getting Basque and Catalan Literature Out There</strong></td>
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<td>The nature of so-called minority languages is that they can never rest, they are always in danger, and that restlessness and fear of death temper both the writing of their literatures and their translation. Basque and Catalan are two languages that have suffered repression over the centuries in Southern Europe, most recently in almost forty years of a dictatorship that attempted to close down their public use. Their linguistic and cultural traditions are quite distinct, and this panel will chart those differences and the role of literary translation in helping restore confidence within the national Spanish context, while re-establishing international visibility. This panel will explore experiences of rendering these literatures into English and getting the books into the hands of readers.</td>
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Translation Centre Stage
Sassafras (Main Level)
Bring your translation off the page: London-based international theatre company [Foreign Affairs] will discuss the ins and outs of translating for the stage, compare the landscape in the UK and the US, present their groundbreaking theatre-in-translation programme: [Foreign Affairs] Translates!, and share the results and impact of the first two years of the programme. This will be followed by a practical session giving participants a taste of what translating for the stage entails, with participants invited to navigate the practicalities of their craft in a collaborative translation session. The practical session will include theatre-based approaches to text, collaborative translation, and work with professional theatre practitioners. This session is also offered on Friday from 10:45am – 12:00pm.
Moderator: Trine Garrett

2:00pm – 3:15pm
Generative Sensitivities: How Emotional and Cultural Empathy Impacts Author-Translator Relations
Persimmon (Main Level)
How does a translator navigate emotional and ethical decisions when representing a literary work in a new language? How do translators understand their own relationship to the author and the text (whether that text is current or older, whether the author is living or deceased, how disparities of time, space, gender, and power can and should be addressed)? Participants in this panel will begin by discussing how their own relationships with authors have impacted the language choices of their translations, particularly the translator’s ability to translate with emotional and cultural empathy. Then, panelists will share specific examples, prompting a discussion with the audience exploring the choices and how they are generated from the relationship and toward a translation of empathy.
Moderator: Timea Balogh, née Sipos
Participants: Aaron Coleman
Bonnie Chau

2:00pm – 3:15pm
WIT Hosts Wikipedia Edit-a-thon
Dogwood (Main Level)
Help address the gender and other gaps on Wikipedia relating to literary translation by editing articles on international women writers, women translators, and other underrepresented groups. Working in a spirit of collaboration, we’ll learn to edit and improve Wikipedia articles to address these imbalances. Come with your own computer, connect with countless resources, and leave with a basic toolkit to continue editing on your own. This pilot workshop will be a safe and friendly space for all participants. Newcomers to Wikipedia and experienced contributors are welcome. Please create your own Wikipedia account before the session.
Moderators: Margaret Carson
Alta L. Price

2:00pm – 3:15pm
Bilingual Readings 5: Mexico
State Room West (Second Floor)
Moderator: Alexis Levitin

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3:30pm – 4:30pm
ALTA Travel Fellows Reading (Whittenberger Auditorium, First Floor)
Come listen to Elina Alter, Lizzie Buehler, Mariam Rahmani, Aaron Robertson, Brian Sneeden, and Maggie Zebracka, the 2018 Travel Fellows, read selections of their winning translations.

4:45pm – 6:45pm
ALTA Awards Reception (Alumni Hall, First Floor)
The winners of the 2018 ALTA Translation Awards will be announced, and winners will read short selections of their winning works.
Light appetizers and cash bar available.

6:30pm – 8:15pm
Offsite: Sonhando em Português: Portuguese Language Reading
Hosted by Tiffany Higgins
Join us to hear from the recent work of translators from the Brazilian Portuguese: Katrina Dodson, Magdalena Edwards, Laura Cesarco Eglin, Sofi Hall, Tiffany Higgins, Lívia Lakomy, Bruna Dantas Lobato, and Julia Sanches.

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(812) 336-9076 | https://www.irishlion.com/
Food and drinks available for purchase.
Thursday, November 1, 2018
6:45pm – 8:30pm  Dinner (on your own)
8:30pm – 10:30pm  Special Programming: Staged Reading of Deserts (Wells-Metz Theatre, located on the IU campus)
In partnership with the IU Department of Theatre, Drama, and Contemporary Dance and sponsored by the Arts and Humanities Council
This evening event features a staged reading of keynote speaker Caridad Svich’s translation of Hugo Alfredo Hinojosa’s play Deserts.

Wells-Metz Theatre (entrance on N Jordan Ave)
Lee Norvelle Theatre and Drama Center
Indiana University
275 N Jordan Ave, Bloomington, IN 47405
(812) 855-3602 | https://theatre.indiana.edu

Friday, November 2, 2018
7:00am – 9:00am  Breakfast (on your own)
7:00am – 7:30am  Volunteer Orientation (State Room West, Second Floor)
8:00am – 5:00pm  Registration (East Lounge, Main Level)
8:00am – 5:30pm  Family Room (Hoosier Room, Main Level)
9:00am – 5:30pm  Bookfair (Frangipani, Main Level)
In partnership with the Indiana University Bookstore

9:00am – 5:00pm  Translators and their Props: From the Collections of the Lilly Library (Lilly Library, Lincoln Room)
To welcome guests at ALTA41, the Lilly Library is offering a display of materials related to translators and their props. The exhibition will include notebooks, correspondence, word lists, special reference works, and other aids translators employ in their work. Examples have been selected from four archives: Joel Agee, revising his translation of Rilke’s Letters on Cézanne; Max Eastman, translating Trotsky’s The History of the Russian Revolution; Peter Theroux, working with the Iraqi author Alia Mamdouh’s novel Habbāt al-Naftālīn (Mothballs); and Barbara Wright, translating such leading French authors as Raymond Queneau. Organized by Breon Mitchell, this exhibit will be on display in the Lincoln Room from October 29-December 14 during normal library hours.

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9:00am – 10:15am Sessions

9:00am – 10:15am  Small Press Journal Editors’ Roundtable: Publishing Translations
Oak (Main Level)
Editors from several print and online literary magazines discuss the joys and challenges of publishing translations, including what they might like to see and what not so much. Come hear directly from some of the decision-makers from such journals as Asymptote, Exchanges, Kenyon Review, The Massachusetts Review, New Poetry in Translation, No Man’s Land, Indiana Review, and Notre Dame Review. Panelists will provide brief introductions to their journals, and then questions will be taken from the audience.
Moderator: Nancy Naomi Carlson
Participants: Nancy Naomi Carlson, Aron R. Aji, Linda Frazee Baker, Peter Constantine, Jim Hicks, Elizabeth Lowe, Aditi Machado, Orlando R. Menes
9:00am – 10:15am
**Walnut (Main Level)**

**Don’t Wait for Tenure to Translate: Building Platforms for Literary Translation Within the Academy**

The academy has traditionally considered literary translation to be a luxury only to be pursued after securing tenure—that is, after making “real” or “valuable” contributions to the field. This roundtable considers the current state of academia, in which translation studies programs and increased interdisciplinarity in scholarship have become more popular, yet creative work continues to be undervalued, despite a publishing crisis born out of narrow, conventional parameters for tenure. With participants ranging from pre-tenure professors to PhD students and MFA graduates, the roundtable offers perspectives from both emerging and established translators—and together, we’ll discuss strategies for building subversive platforms for literary translation within the academy.

**Moderator:** Olivia Lott  
**Participants:** Qussay Al-Attabi, Kurt Beals, Rachel Galvin, Katrine Øgaard Jensen

9:00am – 10:15am
**Maple (Main Level)**

**Feedback Loop: Translator-Writer-Translator...**

Translation, scholarship, and original writing can function as reciprocal props, platforms, and opportunities for performance. Panelists will talk about the myriad paths they’ve traveled, as their translation work has led them to write biographies, literary and cultural studies, memoirs, poems, and fictions (in which translators may be starring characters!). This will be a discussion about working lives, works in-progress, and the shifting literary precincts we call “home.”

**Moderator:** Marguerite Feitlowitz  
**Participants:** Esther Allen, Aaron Coleman, Katrina Dodson, Stefania Heim, Bruna Dantas Lobato, Liliana Valenzuela

9:00am – 10:15am
**Redbud (Main Level)**

**Dramatic Readings**

Moderators: Jeremy Tiang and Sean Bye

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9:00am – 10:15am
**Sassafras (Main Level)**

**Difficult Passages: An Interactive Workshop**

We all know the feeling: despite our best efforts, the passage stares up at us from the page, obstinate, defiant, bitterly resisting our efforts to render it into the target language. We do translate it, in the end, somehow, because we must—but how? Bring to this workshop a stubborn, thorny, “untranslatable” short passage (a word, a phrase, a sentence, a bit of dialog, a couplet...) and share it with a roomful of translators who have struggled in the same situation. We will discuss possible solutions to each dilemma (including yours) and also share general approaches to “untranslatable” passages. Please bring a dozen or so copies of your passage (strips of paper, rather than whole pages, will save trees) labeled with your name and the name of the original author and work.

**Moderator:** Clyde Moneyhun

9:00am – 10:15am
**Persimmon (Main Level)**

**High Wire Act: The Translator as Human Rights Activist**

While all translators advocate for and perform the work of those they translate, those who work with authors at risk take on special responsibilities. When an author can’t advocate for herself or her work for political or other reasons (risks that may extend to the translator), translators encounter ethical and practical dilemmas most didn’t learn about in translator school. Translators who have worked with imprisoned and at-risk authors will discuss ways to share and ethically promote the translated work, including finding suitable platforms for the work, identifying allies for both author and work, representing at-risk authors in the business of translation, playing the public relations game, communicating with authors whose communications are monitored, and managing author expectations.

**Moderator:** Katherine Young  
**Participants:** Kareem James Abu-Zeid, Seth Michelson
9:00am – 10:15am  
**Translating Spanish Drama**  
Dogwood (Main Level)  

Spanish theater has experienced a remarkable renaissance in recent years. This panel gathers several Spanish playwrights, theater directors, and translators of Spanish drama to discuss some of the challenges particular to translating Spanish theater—both contemporary and classic—into English. How can the socio-cultural and historical context—or humor—of a play be translated? What’s unique about translating contemporary, versus classic plays from Spain? And how do translators of Spanish drama balance the large “cast of characters” who might have a stake in the translation—the playwright, editors, publisher, director, stage manager, actors, audience, etc.?  

Moderator: Emilio Williams  
Participants: Cristina Colmena, Guillem Clua, Gary Racz  

9:00am – 10:15am  
**Bilingual Readings 6: Myth**  
State Room West (Second Floor)  

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10:15am – 10:45am  
**Beverage Break**  
(Reception, Main Level)  

Sponsored by the Spain-USA Foundation  

10:45am – 12:00pm  
**Author-Translator Relationships**  
Oak (Main Level)  

How do authors and translators find each other? What attributes make their relationship successful? How do they establish and maintain trust and their respective power positions? Must the translator also be a writer? What common legal matters affect the translator’s relationship with the author? Based on their experience with authors, the panelists will discuss these and other issues, such as securing rights and permissions, editing, submitting material for publication, interfacing with agents and publishers, and the respective credits given on publication to an author and one or more translators.  

Moderator: Edward Morin  
Participants: Mbarek Sryfi, Jeffrey S. Ankrom, Alexander Elinson, Armine Kotin Mortimer, Laura Dohner  

10:45am – 12:00pm  
**The “Identity Politics” of Translating Dialect for the Stage**  
Walnut (Main Level)  

Drama translators strive to reproduce the audience’s identification with the characters and situation of the original script. The adage, “local is universal” applies to theatre, but how does the drama translator transmit the local color that dialect infuses in a play? What are the specific programming and casting challenges involved for directors, actors and artistic directors? How does the translator choose the regional, social and/or ethnic equivalencies? When does this choice call for adaptation, rather than translation?  

Moderator: Linda Gaboriau  
Participants: Neil Blackadder, Daniel Rogers  

10:45am – 12:00pm  
**Sub/Missions**  
Maple (Main Level)  

This session will bring together members of translator collective Çedilla & Co. and more to discuss how to assemble a compelling submission for your translation project. What materials should you include? How should it be formatted? How can you tell who to direct it to? What other steps might be helpful in pitching your project? In this session, we’ll attempt to demystify this process with practical tips from translators with years of experience.  

Moderator: Julia Sanches  
Participants: Antonia Lloyd-Jones, Elisabeth Jaquette, Ezra Fitz
10:45am – 12:00pm  
Redbud (Main Level)  
The Beautiful Side of Strange: co•im•press Translators and their Conundrums

What issues do translators encounter when translating strange poetry, whether in form, content, the language, or the idiosyncrasies of the poet? Five co•im•press translators discuss translating poets from Latin America and the Middle East, including Hilda Hilst, Juan Gelman, Mercedes Roffé, Miguel Angel Bustos, and Arash Allahverdi. By focusing on their choices, strategies for Englishing strangenesses, panelists hope to inspire both poets and translators working outside the mainstream. This includes reading.

Moderator: Laura Cesaro Eglin  
Participants: Lisa Rose Bradford, Lucina Schell, Alireza Taheri Araghi, Judith Filc

10:45am – 12:00pm  
Sassafras (Main Level)  
Translation Centre Stage

Bring your translation off the page: London-based international theatre company [Foreign Affairs] will discuss the ins and outs of translating for the stage, compare the landscape in the UK and the US, present their groundbreaking theatre-in-translation programme: [Foreign Affairs] Translates!, and share the results and impact of the first two years of the programme. This will be followed by a practical session giving participants a taste of what translating for the stage entails, with participants invited to navigate the practicalities of their craft in a collaborative translation session. The practical session will include theatre-based approaches to text, collaborative translation, and work with professional theatre practitioners. This session is also offered on Thursday from 2:00pm – 3:15pm.

Moderator: Trine Garrett

10:45am – 12:00pm  
Persimmon (Main Level)  
The Upbeat: Preparing for the Performance

Translators, academics, and a novelist discuss what precedes translation. They talk about the pages that precede the translation: translator’s notes, forewords, or introductions. They talk about the preparatory work for translations—including, for example, macro-scale decisions about gender when moving between differently gender-inflected languages. And they talk about the ways that authors anticipate translation, sometimes implicitly, sometimes through explicit instructions. Thus, bringing together various actors involved in the translation process, this panel provides fruitful ground for discussion and debate about the complexities and questions generated by translation and what comes before it.

Moderator: Jan Steyn  
Participants: Mariam Rahmani, Kiawna Brewster, Caite Dolan-Leach

10:45am – 12:00pm  
Dogwood (Main Level)  
Translation, Sexuality, and Power

This session is organized around the notion of how sexuality could be reimagined through translation. More closely, it tries to look at the transformative potential of translation and language in deconstructing and reconstructing bodies and sexuality, and how the engagement of translating past sexualities could shape our present understanding in reorganizing identities and the conditions of being.

Moderator: Lubna Abdul-Hadi  
Participants: Alan Reiser, Badreddine Ben Othman, Saurabh Bhattacharyya

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State Room West (Second Floor)  
Bilingual Readings 7: Slavic Languages

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12:00pm – 2:00pm  
Lunch (on your own)
12:00pm – 1:00pm  **Offsite: A Lunchtime Reading with Çedilla & Co.**

Shhh! Çedilla & Co. disturbs the silence at Bloomington Public Library with a dazzling array of readings, showcasing some of the most exciting voices from across the world. Come join Sean Gasper Bye, Elisabeth Jaquette, Alta L. Price, Jeremy Tiang, and Alex Zucker for food, beverages, and all the literary hullabaloo the shelves can hold. Be sure to bring your library card, ‘cos you’ll want to check us out.

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Light refreshments and drinks provided.

1:15pm – 1:45pm  **“Giving Form its Due”**

Dogwood (Main Level)

Writer, translator, and cognitive scientist Douglas Hofstadter will speak on the deep translation challenges posed by classical Chinese poems. Such poems are not merely a set of words or sounds, but also intrinsically involve a visual or geometrical aspect. Hofstadter will show his personal reaction to these challenges, which requires treating form and content with equal respect. The results are quite radical, perhaps controversial, and hopefully thought-provoking. Attendees are free to bring lunch.

2:00pm – 3:15pm **Sessions**

2:00pm – 3:15pm  **Editor-Translator Flash Sessions** (State Room East, Second Floor)

By prior appointment only.

2:00pm – 3:15pm  **Teaching Translation**

Oak (Main Level)

This roundtable will discuss methods and approaches used in teaching literary translation: how to workshop translations from one or more languages, how much translation theory to use, and how to get students excited about translation. The participants will talk about their experiences teaching undergraduates, MFA students in creative writing, and graduate students in literature, using examples of literary translation classes offered at their institutions. They will reflect on differences between teaching in a graduate program in translation studies, and on the value of studying translation, even for students who do not go on to become translators. Roundtable participants will encourage an exchange of ideas with the audience.

Moderator: Anna Elliott

Participants: Keith Vincent

Stephen Scully

Janet Poole

2:00pm – 3:15pm  **Exophor(i)a: Exophonic Writing and Translation**

Walnut (Main Level)

Unique challenges arise when translating works written in the author’s second or third language, and vice versa—for translators working into English as an acquired language. How can translators convey echoes of writers’ native tongues in other languages? How do they navigate the displaced cultural markers of such works, especially in the works of authors writing about living between languages—a genre that’s swelled with interest in immigrant and refugee literary works? Additionally, what do exophonic translators bring to the table to enrich and expand contemporary English? We’ll explore examples from panelists’ translations of authors working in/between: Slovenian, Russian, Hungarian and German; Farsi and Dutch; Chechen and Greek; and others.

Moderator: Alta L. Price

Participants: Jeremy Tiang

Tess Lewis

Aron Aji

Peter Constantine

2:00pm – 3:15pm  **Translation Misfits: The Myth of Mastery**

Maple (Main Level)

Definitions of quality and assessments of mastery are major talking points when it comes to evaluating literary translation, particularly for publication. What goes into deciding what makes a translation “good” or “bad”? How do classist, imperialist, racist, and sexist notions of those terms inform decisions? And how do we challenge them? This roundtable considers the role of translators and editors as misfits, making translation a transgressive platform for resistance.

Moderator: Katherine Hedeen

Participants: Johannes Göransson

Ji yoon Lee

Aditi Machado

Poupeh Missaghi
### Brazil Performing, Performing Brazil

Translators of Brazilian literature will consider some props that are also challenges: how to respond when the author gives permission to perform the text loosely; how to perform anew, or show new aspects of, an iconic and beloved author; how to translate when the sonic score and literal content widely diverge; how to perform narrators whose experiences differ markedly from the translator’s own. Since Brazilian publishing today is strikingly inequitable, the issues of audience (and translation’s part in creating it) are unavoidable. What should be our roles in selecting texts and authors to provide a wider platform and global audience for writers marginalized in their own country? Should the very act of translation be viewed as performing a broader, more inclusive plurality of Brazil?

**Moderator:** Tiffany Higgins  
**Participants:** Magdalena Edwards, Bruna Dantas Lobato, Sofi Hall

### Authenticity vs. Performativity in Translating for the Stage – Part 1

Along with the familiar negotiations already inherent in translation, translators of dramatic texts face other considerations: how will their texts play to an audience? Should translators adapt the original in order to maintain its performative force for the target audience? In this two-part panel series, we explore the practical manifestations of these questions with IU acting and directing students, who will present staged readings of scenes from two translated plays, followed by a group discussion. Join us for a rousing round of theater-making! Part 1 features Julia Lukshina’s 2018 one-act about a tween adoption gone wrong, *Nerves*, translated by Anne O. Fisher, and Sor Juana Ines de la Cruz’s *Trials of a Noble House*, a Renaissance drama in meter and rhyme, translated by Gary Racz.

**Moderator:** Anne O. Fisher  
**Participant:** Gary Racz

### Two’s Company: On Teamwork and Co-translation

Some people might picture literary translation as a solemn, solitary relationship between a translator and a text, but that’s not always the case. We’re a social group (as evidenced by the growing number of attendees at this annual conference of ours) and sometimes we like to team up and translate a text together. As Ros Schwartz once said, “I like co-translating because nobody reads a text as closely as a co-translator. It’s like having your text reread by yourself ten years later.” Join us as a panel of experts discuss how they bring their multiple visions to bear on a singular text, and how this differs from working alone.

**Moderator:** Ezra Fitz  
**Participants:** Earl Fitz, María José Giménez, Anna Rosenwong, Allison Grimaldi Donahue, Sara Rivera, Lisa Ortiz

### Bilingual Readings 8: Memoirs, Journals, Autobiography

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3:30pm – 5:00pm  **Keynote Address: Caridad Svich** (Whittenberger Auditorium, First Floor)

5:00pm – 7:00pm  **Dinner** (on your own)

7:00pm – 9:00pm  **Offsite: Play for Voices Listening Party**
Join us for a contemporary twist on the old pastime of gathering with friends and loved ones to listen to a radio drama broadcast. Play for Voices will play two of their shorter productions, *That Deep Ocean...* and *Anaesthesia*. Play for Voices is a podcast of international audio drama launched in the fall of 2016 in New York City, presenting new productions of contemporary and classic audio plays from around the world, exploring their aesthetic, social, and political contexts through inventive, multilingual sound design and supplemental interviews with authors, translators, and other interesting people. Learn more at http://www.playforvoices.com/.

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9:00pm – 11:00pm **Offsite: Bilingual Readings, Café Latino**
Moderator:  Alexis Levitin

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Saturday, November 3, 2018

7:00am – 9:00am  **Breakfast** (on your own)

7:00am – 7:30am  **Volunteer Orientation** (State Room West, Second Floor)

8:00am – 12:00pm  **Registration** (East Lounge, Main Level)

8:00am – 5:30pm  **Family Room** (Hoosier Room, Main Level)

9:00am – 5:30pm  **Bookfair** (Frangipani, Main Level)

*In partnership with the Indiana University Bookstore*
To welcome guests at ALTA41, the Lilly Library is offering a display of materials related to translators and their props. The exhibition will include notebooks, correspondence, word lists, special reference works, and other aids translators employ in their work. Examples have been selected from four archives: Joel Agee, revising his translation of Rilke’s *Letters on Cézanne*; Max Eastman, translating Trotsky’s *The History of the Russian Revolution*; Peter Theroux, working with the Iraqi author Ali Mamdouh’s novel *Habbāt al-Naftālīn* (*Mothballs*); and Barbara Wright, translating such leading French authors as Raymond Queneau. Organized by Breon Mitchell, this exhibit will be on display in the Lincoln Room from October 29-December 14 during normal library hours.

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9:00am – 10:15am Sessions

**How I Stopped Worrying and Learned to Love the Editor**

Oak (Main Level)

What does sensitive, useful editing look like? How can translators get more of it? And what can both translators and editors do to foster the mutual trust that marks the best editor-translator collaborations? In this roundtable, we’ll discuss these questions and more. Editors, how is the process of line-editing a translation different when you know the source language vs. when you don’t? What constitutes light vs. heavy editing, and how do you go about it when heavy editing is required? How do you use line-editing to mentor beginning translators? And for translators: what are some things not to do to your editors? What can you do to get the best possible comments/edits from your editor? You’ll come away from this roundtable with some best practices to use in your next project.

Moderator: Anne O. Fisher
Participants: Boris Dralyuk, Karen Kovacik, Suzanne Zweizig

**Strategies for Translating Traumatic Content**

Walnut (Main Level)

How does translation about trauma interact with our own personal connections to similar traumas? What inner channels do we have as translators to process our experience of difficult content? How can we safely inhabit the minds and voices of narrators with self-destructive habits? How can we use our vulnerability to push our projects forward? How can we lean into difficult source content without falling in? Panelists will provide short examples of translated texts, give short presentations on their personal experiences and the strategies they use, and respond to questions about personal identification with the text, resources for these translations, setting boundaries within a project, and growing networks of support.

Moderator: Julia Gravemeyer
Participants: Michael Goldman, Marguerite Feitlowitz, Susan Ayres

**Out of the Wings: Testing and Advocating for Translation in Performance**

Maple (Main Level)

Out of the Wings (www.outofthewings.org) has, since 2008, been creating platforms for Spanish-language theatre in English, developing a virtual resource for access to plays and a significant space for the study and practice of theatre in translation. This workshop uses our methodology for the discovery, testing, reading, and performance of plays in Spanish and Portuguese. The aim is to share practices that are the foundation for a substantial network of practitioners, in which the academic theatre practitioners share a common goal and mutual respect for the skills and knowledge that each brings to the process of producing the translated play in a new space. The workshop seeks to explore and share these research-as-practice methods as performance, prop and platform.

Moderator: Catherine Boyle
Participants: Sophie Stevens, Gigi Guizado
9:00am – 10:15am
Redbud (Main Level)

Translating the Translators Back into their Own Language

Translating an author from her second into her native language is a great responsibility. Such retroactive translations require a particularly careful reading, the goal being to identify nuanced choices made by the author, and to then aim for the intended meaning in her native tongue. Translating authors back into their first language is a detailed experiment in linguistic micro-studies, where one has to dig into the thin layers of one’s language in search of the perfect pitch. Moreover, dubbing television often results in artificial hybrid language that the audience has to translate back into their native language. This panel addresses such complexities, and how such experiences enrich both translators’ and authors’ horizons, as well as the effects on their audience.

Moderators: Ivan Sršen
Andrea Jurjević
Participants: Achy Obejas
Patrick Ploschnitzki

9:00am – 10:15am
Sassafras (Main Level)

Translation as Performance: Uncanny Doubles Between Covers

This panel explores the act of literary translation as a creative process that requires a kind of psychic doubling, wherein the translator performs as a stand-in or doppelganger for the author, and not simply as an interpreter. We consider translation as performance within books, on stage and screen, on social media, within the context of book promotion, such as when a translator reads from their translation at a bookstore event, and beyond. We discuss translation from one language to another, within and across languages, from one medium to another, and always as an opportunity for generative and generous acts, though the consequences of such performance are never predictable or guaranteed. Panelists include scholars, translators, writers, poets, and performers.

Moderators: Magdalena Edwards
Ryan Kernan
Participants: Karyn Mota
Erik Noonan
Jordan A.Y. Smith

9:00am – 10:15am
Persimmon (Main Level)

Dialogues with the Southern Cone: Women Poets, Women Translators

Women translators/editors are joined by an Uruguayan poet/editor to reflect on current projects centered on women’s poetry from the Southern Cone. What platforms and props are effective for representing historic and/or living figures? Have platforms evolved for the visibility of women writers from regions still vastly under-represented in translation? How might gender matter to these translations?

Moderator: Kristin Dykstra
Participants: Alexis Almeida
Silvia Guerra
Jesse Lee Kercheval
Tiffany Higgins

9:00am – 10:15am
Dogwood (Main Level)

Promoting Translations in a Digital World

The number of English translations is on the rise, but they still account for a small portion of the book market each year. In our increasingly digital world, how can translators and publishers use online strategies to raise the profile of translated literature? Allison Charette, Susan Harris, and Katie King will discuss this question and explore digital opportunities for building buzz and creating commercial success for English translations. The panel will be moderated by AmazonCrossing Translation Program Manager Lauren Edwards.

Moderator: Lauren Edwards
Participants: Allison Charette
Susan Harris
Katie King

9:00am – 10:15am
State Room West (Second Floor)

Bilingual Readings 9: Poetry Miscellany

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Beverage Break (Frangipani, Main Level)

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10:45am – 12:00pm
Oak (Main Level)  
**A Collection of Collectives**
A number of translators collectives have sprung up in recent years. Panelists from four collectives in New York City, Chicago, Boston, and Washington, D.C. will discuss why they decided to start their collective, what their mission is, specific initiatives, how they engage local and larger communities, successes and challenges they’ve faced while growing, and other adventures of collective engagement. Significant Q&A time will be given to address how attendees could consider starting their own collectives.

Moderator: Jeremy Tiang  
Participants: Chenxin Jiang  
Amaia Gabantxo  
Mark Schafer  
Yvette Neisser  
Carol Volk

10:45am – 12:00pm
Walnut (Main Level)  
**Navigating Borders: Performance as Translation, Translation as Performance**
How do translators navigate the border between their translation and the original work? This panel will explore how translators negotiate the relation between their own creative work and the original. Special attention will be devoted to investigating the notion that translation has a performative aspect, and how performance itself is a kind of translation. Our roundtable will feature literary translators, a theatre director who has directed plays in translation, and translation studies scholars. The panel discussion will explore performative aspects of translating poetry and translating for the stage, as well as issues at the interface between performance studies and translation theory.

Moderators: Jake Young  
Joanna Trzeciak Huss  
Participants: Brian James Baer  
Aliki Barnstone  
Gary Young  
Stephen Kessler

10:45am – 12:00pm
Maple (Main Level)  
**On Translating Non-sense**
This panel will address three questions: what constitutes “nonsense” in literature; how might nonsense be translated; and why do it at all? On one hand, the term “nonsense” connotes mere language play: silliness, gibberish, noise. On the other, it manifests itself in complex psychological and political realities, particularly in the violent or traumatic. In our current global political climate, contemporary writers continue to employ nonsense as a means of confronting the inexplicable events of personal and public life—and contemporary translators are faced with the daunting task of rendering this hermetic, often sound-based writing into another language. We will explore what our goal in translating nonsense might be, and why it’s necessary in the first place.

Moderator: C Dylan Bassett  
Participants: Emma Wood  
Monika Cassel  
Heather Green  
Kate Costello

10:45am – 12:00pm
Redbud (Main Level)  
**Mother Tongue, Lover’s Tongue: Love and Translation**
How many translators come to their work through love, of one kind or another? How do the relationships we have with our languages and in our languages affect our command of them? How do we become language holders (or holders of love) and what responsibilities might come with that holding? In this panel, we want to explore the many ways that love informs our work as translators, whether it grows in developing a deep relationship with our author or because we’re working in a language we’ve become enamored with through amorous means. How does the messiness, depth, and expansiveness of love—familial, fraternal, or otherwise—get mixed up in the ethics we enact through our choices, who we translate, and how we go about it?

Moderators: Jacqui Cornetta  
Kira Josefsson  
Participants: Nicholas Glastonbury  
Allison Grimaldi Donahue  
Lida Nosrati
10:45am – 12:00pm
Sassafras
(Main Level)

Us Too: Sexism and Sexual Harassment in the Translation Profession
This moderated discussion will be a space for self-identified women and others who have experienced sexual harassment and/or sexism from their authors, publishers, editors, or colleagues to share their stories and raise awareness. We will also talk about institutional policies to prevent and address sexual harassment and sexism in our field.

Moderators: Corine Tachtiris
Susan Bernofsky

10:45am – 12:00pm
Persimmon
(Main Level)

Center Stage: Latin American Translation Slam
Invisibility be damned: in this performative competition, three experienced literary translators, guided (goaded?) by their moderator, a renowned practitioner of the art, emerge from the wings and take center stage to read their individual translations of the same passage, selected from the vast corpus of modern Latin American literature by the aforementioned moderator and made available to the translating trio well in advance of “showtime.” Audience participation is strongly encouraged.

Moderator: Suzanne Jill Levine
Participants: Patricia Dubrava
Jill Gibian
Andrea Labinger

10:45am – 12:00pm
Dogwood
(Main Level)

Play for Voices: Translating Audio Drama
Producers, playwrights, and translators who’ve contributed to the first two seasons of the Play for Voices international audio drama podcast will discuss their collaborative processes and the particularities of translating not only for a performance-based medium, but one that is heard rather than seen. Providing critical context for the evolution of the audio drama genre in the United States and abroad, they’ll consider how audio drama complicates ideas about voice in writing and translation, and serves as a rich territory for exploring both individual stories and collective histories.

Moderator: Jennifer Zoble
Participants: Anne Posten
Elena Mancini
Ana Cândida Carneiro
Walter Byongsok Chon

10:45am – 12:00pm
State Room West
(Second Floor)

Bilingual Readings 10: Arabic and Farsi

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10:45am – 12:00pm
Mentorship Meeting
(State Room East, Second Floor)
By invitation only.

12:00pm – 2:00pm
Lunch (on your own)

12:30pm – 1:30pm
Georgian Room
(First Floor)

ALTA Emerging Translator Mentorship Program Presentations
Come hear Fiona Bell, Lauren Dubowski, Mirgul Kali, and Jennifer Kellogg, the 2018-2019 winning mentees, present and read from the book-length projects they will translate alongside this year’s mentors, Marian Schwartz, Bill Johnston, Kareem James Abu-Zeid, and Madhu Kaza. These mentorships are offered thanks to the support of the Russian Federation Institute of Literary Translation, the Polish Cultural Institute New York, and AmazingCrossing. Attendees are free to bring lunch.
**Irrepressible Poetry: How Performance Helps Oppressed Poets Reach Readers**

This session highlights the role of performance in the ability of oppressed poets to reach and move readers through irresistible translation. We will discuss that irresistibility in relation to poetic performance in multiple modes of translation, ranging from page to stage to radio, and including multiple voices, languages, cultures, and musical instruments. The poets include the Mapuche poet Liliana Ancalao, the Argentine poet Juan Gelman, the Uruguayan poet Selva Casal, the Mexican poet Myriam Moscona, and the Mexican poet Jeannette Clariond. Through their acclaimed translators, we will discuss these poets’ irresistible verse, creating conversation with the audience about the performance of poetry in relation to questions of indigeneity, feminisms, memory, genocide, and more.

**Moderator:** Seth Michelson  
**Participants:** Lisa Rose Bradford, Jeannine Pitas, Curtis Bauer, Jen Hofer

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**The Filter of Literariness: Translating as Arbitrage**

Most translators know the experience. The text is attractive, yet soon doubt arises: will it fly in English without editorial intervention? This panel considers the process of translating through the prism of “un/publishability,” i.e., as a filter of aesthetic norms. Below the level of authorial style, but above the level of cultural difference, this challenge arises at a middle level of formal conventions of “good writing”—consistency of point of view, rules of verisimilitude, presence of irony, etc. In anticipating the tight criteria of the Anglophone publishing environment with its slush pile teams, MFA regimens, and judgmental editors, a translator plays, consciously or unconsciously, not only the role of arbiter but also of a “world lit gatekeeper.” Is there a fix—and should there be one?

**Moderator:** Nataša Ďurovičová  
**Participants:** Jennifer Feeley, Poupeh Missaghi, Deborah Smith, Laurel Taylor

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**Keep On Runnin’ On or Stop Already: Digressions, Diversions, and the Stately English Sentence**

In some languages, sentences have greater stamina than in English—and for some authors, expansive, even tortuous sentences are indispensable to expressing their thoughts. How far and in what ways can punctuation and stylistic conventions be bent before sentences lose their integrity and clarity? On this panel, five translators discuss how they’ve wrestled lengthy sentences into English with examples from works by Josep Maria de Sagarrà, Christine Angot, Katja Petrowskaja, Reiner Stach, Jonas Lüscher, Monique Schwitter, Alois Hotschnig, David Albahari, and Suzanne Dracius.

**Moderator:** Tess Lewis  
**Participants:** Shelley Frisch, Mary Ann Newman, Ellen Elias-Bursac, Nancy Naomi Carlson

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**Translating the Work of the Dead**

The author/translator relationship can be fraught or enriching—yet the dialogues between the translator and author are an undeniably informative prop during the translation process. In translating the writing of the dead, however, the anxieties surrounding accuracy, authorial intention, and misrepresenting the work cannot be assuaged. In this panel, we will weigh the pros and cons of translating the writing of the dead—and, more importantly, the dangers, particularly the tropes of the brilliant dead author, foreigner, exoticized woman. How to try to honor the author in a way that does not exploit her, even if the publishing and literary world is built in such a way as to quickly lead to her exploitation, is just one aspect of translating the non-living writer’s work that we will address.

**Moderator:** Diana Arterian  
**Participants:** Katrina Dodson, Mike Fu, Gabrielle Civil
2:00pm – 3:15pm
Sassafras
(Main Level)

**Authenticity vs. Performativity in Translating for the Stage – Part 2**

Along with the familiar negotiations already inherent in translation, translators of dramatic texts face other considerations: how will their texts play to an audience? Should translators adapt the original in order to maintain its performative force for the target audience? In this two-part panel series, we explore the practical manifestations of these questions with IU acting and directing students, who will present staged readings of scenes from two translated plays, followed by a group discussion. Join us for a rousing round of theater-making! Part 2 features the absurdist children’s puppet play *Circus Shardam* by Daniil Kharms, translated by Rachael Daum, and Pier Vittorio Tondelli’s intimate family drama *Dinner Party*, translated by Zachary Scalzo.

Moderator: Anne O. Fisher
Participants: Rachael Daum

Zachary Scalzo

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2:00pm – 3:15pm
Persimmon
(Main Level)

**The Concrete Subject: Inviting Nonfiction to the Table**

Anxieties translators encounter in presenting their work—around authenticity of voice or performing someone else’s writing—are compounded when translating nonfiction. Fortunately, the potential for erasing boundaries is also greater. As Russell Valentino suggests, the “very concreteness” of the subjects of translation and nonfiction marks a categorical difference from fiction or poetry. Panelists will address the centrality of the subject and the complicated questions that make translation a powerful tool of literary and cultural imagination. All are welcome to join the discussion with this table of translators, each approaching an intersection with nonfiction from unique positions: writers between genres, journalists, scholars, teachers, a NF editor, and a foreign rights agent.

Moderators: Lívia Lakomy
Jace Brittain

Participants: Zeynep Sen
Paula Mendoza
Hilah Kohen
David Smith

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2:00pm – 3:15pm
Dogwood
(Main Level)

**Translating Boullosa: The Author and her Translators on Writing and (Re)Creating**

All writing, including translation, is born from the experiences and perspective of the writer. In this panel, the author and her translators will explore the props they use to perform their respective crafts. Carmen Boullosa will talk about how her theater background plays into her performance as a writer, or how this experience informs her novels. The three main novels under discussion, translated by three different translators, span a good portion of the author’s career from 1987 to 2015. Her translators will examine how their own experiences, memories (personal and cultural), and other props come into play in their translations. Of particular interest will be a conversation about the changes in props—from analog to digital—available to the translators during this thirty-year period.

Moderator: Carmen Boullosa
Participants: Peter Bush
Samantha Schnee
Shelby Vincent

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State Room West
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**Bilingual Readings 11: French**

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3:15pm – 3:45pm
Break (on your own)
3:45pm – 5:00pm Sessions

3:45pm – 5:00pm
Oak (Main Level)

The Translator’s Voice and the Spaces of its Expression
This session is conceived as a conversation among practicing translators who also teach translation theory and practice. We will discuss the way in which we, as translators, think about and articulate our practice, focusing on the spaces translators have at our disposal to reflect on it. Session participants will describe various textual and paratextual spaces and practices, both past and present, that accompany translation practice, and the ways in which we ourselves make use of such spaces. We will also discuss the potential and usefulness of these materials for our own practice, teaching, and analysis.

Moderator: María Constanza Guzmán
Participants: Marella Feltrin-Morris
Suzanne Jill Levine
Marta Marín-Dòmine
Lida Nosrati
Joshua Martin Price
Şehnaz Tahir Gürçağlar

3:45pm – 5:00pm
Walnut (Main Level)

Translating Fragmented Texts
This panel will present the challenges of a collaborative translation and editing project of Nietzsche’s Will to Power, a reconstruction of the philosopher’s draft manuscript from unpublished notebooks. In particular, we will discuss the cross-disciplinary and collaborative approach used to resolve ambivalent text passages and sentence fragments. Furthermore, which digital tools have been most useful to help with the logistics of the complex project, such as keeping track of drafts, versions, and comments? What have been the particular roles of the co-translators, editor, and content expert? How has their respective expertise contributed to the overall project?

Moderator: Astrid Klocke
Participants: Jason Beduhn
Paul Donnelly

3:45pm – 5:00pm
Maple (Main Level)

Theatre in Brief: Satyr Play, Sainete, and One-act
Are methodologies of translation affected by the brevity of a source-text drama? Shorter pieces entail more concise units of translation, allowing for less compensation and resulting in greater line-for-line correspondence. The shorter run-time and more essential nature of the briefer drama’s every element may also resist the cutting justified for modern staging. Besides issues of stageworthiness and performability, what challenges do such texts pose for translators? The panel explores this question using a wide range of case studies: Cyclops, a 5th-century B.C.E. satyr play by Euripides; a sainete from Los empeños de una casa by the Mexican colonial writer Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz; and Un mancebo combustible, a one-act play by the Spanish 19th-century dramatist Enrique Zumel.

Moderator: Gary Racz
Participants: Keyne Cheshire
Christopher Kidder-Mostrom

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Redbud (Main Level)

Bilingual Readings 12: Transnational: Writers in a Second Language

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Moderator: Alexis Levitin
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**Constructing Iberian and Ibero-American Identities in Translation**  
As they circulate through international markets, translated texts operate as platforms for the representation and dissemination of cultures on a global scale. This panel will address contemporary, US-based translations from the Hispanic world in order to explore questions of identity as transmitted through translated literature. Panelists will address questions such as: In what ways does the sum of translated literature from a particular region or nation perform a national identity? What kinds of texts, authors, genders, races, classes, tend to be translated from particular regions and to what ends? What histories, cultures, and people emerge as the global representatives of their regions? To what extent do certain themes or genres become the hallmarks of the literature of a nation?  

Moderator: Sarah Booker  
Participants: Neil Anderson, Kate Good, Denise Kripper, Sophie Stevens

3:45pm – 5:00pm  
**Respecting the Author’s Aesthetic: Translating Poetry and Prose Outside the Usual Literary Framework**  
Some authors’ work is too original, idiosyncratic, or disconnected from the literary currents of its time that it transgresses conventions and exists largely within its own aesthetic. It is often marked by stylistic eccentricities, linguistic experimentation, neologisms, and unconventional punctuation. In such cases, the translator must decide how far to stretch the target language in attempting to reproduce the strangeness of the original, or when to adapt the work in order so assure that it is accessible. Participants will discuss translation strategies in relation to differences in literary traditions, stylistic innovation, and the isolation of women writers within male-dominated mainstreams, working with translations from French, Spanish, Portuguese, Russian, and Korean into English.  

Moderator: Hugh Hazelton  
Participants: Jonathan Kaplansky, Samuel Perry, Janet Poole, Hilah Kohen

3:45pm – 5:00pm  
**Translanguaging in ASL Embodied Poetry Performance: A Marriage of Words and Hands**  
During this presentation, hearing poet Kenny Lerner and Deaf poet Peter Cook alternate between performance and lecture, specifically explaining the words Kenny employs in his vocal renditions. Because ASL is a visual language, they want the audience to see the images in the work for themselves. Together, they choose wording that allows the hearing audience to see these “films” created on Peter’s body in the air. For the most part, Lerner uses words/phrases as well as sound effects that parallel Cook’s signed action of the piece. With eyes closed, there is not enough vocal information to understand the work, but watching it along with the voicing, the viewers “see” what is occurring—even audience members unfamiliar with sign language. Two languages are seamlessly interwoven.  

Moderators: Kenny Lerner, Peter Cook

3:45pm – 5:00pm  
**Bilingual Readings 13: Prose Miscellany**  
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4:21pm | Peter Woltemade | Thomas Boberg | Denmark | Danish | Fiction  
4:33pm | Mariya Veteto Reese | Tanja Dücker | Germany | German | Fiction  
4:45pm | Laurel Taylor | Matsuda Aoko | Japan | Japanese | Fiction

5:15pm – 6:00pm  
**General Membership Meeting** (Dogwood, Main Level)  
ALTA members, one and all, come to this year’s General Membership Meeting to celebrate the Arizona affiliation, meet our Arizona hosts, and talk about ALTA initiatives and developments, as well as where we’re headed.

6:00pm – 8:00pm  
**Dinner** (on your own)

8:00pm – 10:00pm  
**Affiliation Celebration and Declamación** (Tudor Room and Coronation Room, First Floor)  
Join us for a celebration of ALTA’s affiliation with the University of Arizona. Then close out ALTA41 with the annual Declamación event: participants recite (or sing) English translations and/or original poems and prose in other languages, with a five-minute time limit. The evening will begin with those who have signed up in advance, and time permitting, an open-mic session will follow.
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**Affections** by Rodrigo Hasbún
translated from the Spanish by Sophie Hughes (Simon & Schuster)

The remarkable saga of the Ertl family, brilliantly evoked by Hasbún in a compact kaleidoscope of fragmented perspectives, runs from Leni Riefenstahl’s Nazi documentaries to Che Guevara’s Communist insurgency in Bolivia. The many distinct voices Sophie Hughes skilfully interweaves make each character’s trauma palpably unique.

**August** by Romina Paula
translated from the Spanish by Jennifer Croft (Feminist Press)

An absorbing, bold piece of writing with a fresh, irresistible voice. A young woman returns to her hometown five years after her best friend’s suicide, only to find herself getting dragged back into past entanglements and having to rebuild herself all over again. An intimate study of grief and unfinished business, this novel charts a journey through one person’s mind as she struggles to deal with issues she has spent too long hiding from. Jennifer Croft’s translation doesn’t put a foot wrong as it navigates choppy emotional currents and memories, rendering a devastating account of a soul in crisis.

**The Invented Part** by Rodrigo Fresán
translated from the Spanish by Will Vanderhyden (Open Letter Books)

A wild, exuberant, shaggy-dog romp through culture high and low, *The Invented Part* spins at high velocity around an ostensibly simple plot: an aging and disheartened writer pins his hopes on breaking into the Large Hadron Collider outside of Geneva so that he can merge with the God particle and, once he is “accelerated and particular,” become absolute consciousness and rewrite reality. The breadth and depth of references and allusions Fresán has at hand are stunning, as is Will Vanderhyden’s ability to capture the author’s stylistic inventiveness and variation.

**Italian Chronicles** by Stendhal
translated from the French by Raymond N. MacKenzie (University of Minnesota Press)

Travelers suffering from a surfeit of ecstasy are diagnosed with “Stendhal syndrome” in reference to the intensity of the writer’s reaction to Italy, where he found a beauty he would spend his life translating for French readers. Between 1833 and 1839, Stendhal wrote four prefaces to what he hoped would be a forthcoming complete anthology of his shorter Italian-themed works. That collection has only now been assembled, annotated, and translated by Raymond N. MacKenzie, in a consummate performance of the complex chiaroscuro of these operatically thrilling tales, several of which appear in English for the first time here.

**Moving the Palace** by Charif Majdalani
translated from the French by Edward Gauvin (New Vessel Press)

In lush, sensuous prose, Majdalani has written a picaresque adventure set in the Middle East and North Africa. At the dawn of the 20th century, the young Samuel Ayyad leaves his home in Lebanon to make his fortune in Sudan, “the most thankless land known at the time.” But the region offers unparalleled opportunity for a young Lebanese man who is “Westernized, Anglophone, and Protestant to boot,” in other words, able to navigate the many factions among the rulers and ruled. This novel is an imaginative and incisive retelling of colonial history, in which no side escapes the sting of the pen.

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The World Goes On by László Krasznahorkai
translated from the Hungarian by George Szirtes, Otttilie Mulzet, and John Batki (New Directions)
Strange, bewildering, and as multifarious as the world itself, this book is a thrill ride—one moment we are in the middle of a tangle of Shanghai expressways, the next on the banks of the Ganges. The language is beautiful and fluid, and despite being the work of three separate translators, achieves a glorious unity. The reader is led through fantastical landscapes and convoluted scenarios, constantly thrown off balance but never allowed to get lost. The long sentences and complex thought processes are a risky high-wire act that pays off, a breathless adventure that we can only surrender to.

NATIONAL TRANSLATION AWARD POETRY LONGLIST

Congratulations to all the titles selected this year for the longlist for this year’s National Translation Award in Poetry! Featuring authors writing in eight different languages, this year’s longlists expand the prize’s dedication to literary diversity in English. Please note that these titles did not proceed to the shortlist. See what judges Kareem James Abu-Zeid, Jennifer Feeley, and Sawako Nakayasu have to say about each of the longlisted titles, chosen from over seventy-five submissions, below (in alphabetical order by title):

The Book of Disquiet by Fernando Pessoa
translated from the Portuguese by Margaret Jull Costa (Northwestern University Press)
In this new, complete edition of Fernando Pessoa’s best-known yet almost unclassifiable work, editor Jerónimo Pizarro has put the book’s hundreds of philosophical-poetic fragments, aphorisms, and ruminations into the order in which they were written. This, coupled with Margaret Jull Costa’s exquisite translation—remarkable for its sparse beauty—breathes new life into this modern Portuguese classic, and allows the voices of the author’s two most prominent alter egos to emerge more distinctly. Pessoa’s extraordinary book, melancholic yet strangely comforting, jars the reader out of any complacency, as if to say: Wake up, take a look at the world around you.

If I Were a Suicide Bomber by Per Aage Brandt
translated from the Danish by Thom Satterlee (Open Letter Books)
With this impressive selection of poetry by prolific Danish author Per Aage Brandt, translator Thom Satterlee has brought a unique voice and vision into the English language. Brandt is also a cognitive scientist, philosopher, and jazz musician, and these diverse fields shine through in his poetry, whose tones range seamlessly from witty to acerbic, from solemnly reflective to tragically morose, and whose forms are as varied as their subject matter (how often do titles come at the end of poems?). Thom Satterlee’s brilliant translations maneuver across these disparate terrains, skillfully capturing the humor, sorrow, joy, and compassion of Brandt’s work.

Magnetic Point: Selected Poems by Ryszard Krynicki
translated from the Polish by Clare Cavanagh (New Directions)
In this stunning collection, which translator Clare Cavanagh has selected from a half-century of Ryszard Krynicki’s work, the unforgettable voice of one of Poland’s leading modern poets emerges in crystalline English verse. These poems are largely informed by the harshness of life in the Polish People’s Republic, repeatedly exposing the rifts between political ideology and the lived reality of the people. A certain mystic beauty, a sacred quality, shines through these texts, always offering at least some measure of love and redemption. Cavanagh’s translations dazzle, dexterously encompassing the range of Krynicki’s verse, in all its humility, wit, and love.

My Lai by Carmen Berenguer
translated from the Spanish by Liz Henry (Cardboard House Press)
Since the 1970s, Chilean poet Carmen Berenguer has been in the US on a number of occasions—which circumstance led to her writing the book Mi Lai (in Spanish), itself a document of cultural and aesthetic translation, even before Liz Henry’s excellent translation of its many forms and styles into English. Where the political and personal merge and refract, Berenguer’s keen observations of US American language, art, music, and television—with 1960s counter-culture, feminism, Iowa, and the Chilean military dictatorship woven through it all—undergird a powerful book that helps us better consider the implications of being “American.”
Oxygen: Selected Poems by Julia Fiedorczuk
translated from the Polish by Bill Johnston (Zephyr Press)
This first book in English by Julia Fiedorczuk, a rising star of ecopoetics and ecocriticism, probes the relationships between the human and natural worlds, exploring the strength and fragility of both realms while forging links between the quotidian and the larger universe. This allusive, imagistic poetry engages with science, ecology, language theory, history, philosophy, and feminism, scaling the highest heights to grab “a handful of stars” and plunging into the depths of the sea where fish swirl. The poems unfold in measured breaths, the supple sounds and oceanic rhythms of Bill Johnston’s English rolling effortlessly off the tongue.

Spiral Staircase: Collected Poems by Hirato Renkichi
translated from the Japanese by Sho Sugita (Ugly Duckling Presse)
The speed of the future—a one-hundred-year-old future, from the 1920s—gushes forward in these feverish, thunderous poems by the Japanese Futurist poet Hirato Renkichi. Sho Sugita’s translation highlights the frenetic energy and restless forms tumbling out of Hirato’s exuberant vision of poetry. This edition combines Hirato’s posthumous Selected Poems with fifty-nine previously uncollected poems, unearthed through Sugita’s own editorial efforts—making this a more complete version than exists even in the Japanese. The book does not assimilate easily into the Anglophone landscape; rather, it is an invaluable contribution to a growing and renewed discussion on global Modernism.

Books eligible for the 2018 National Translation Award were titles published anywhere in the world in the previous calendar year (2017) in English translation. Publishers are invited to submit titles for consideration at the beginning of the year; book selection is based on the quality of the finished book in English, and the quality of the translation is evaluated by a team of expert readers. For more information, visit www.literarytranslators.org.
NATIONAL TRANSLATION AWARD PROSE SHORTLIST

Congratulations to all the titles selected this year for the National Translation Award in Prose shortlist! See what judges Esther Allen, Tess Lewis, and Jeremy Tiang have to say about each of the shortlisted titles below (in alphabetical order by title):

**Compass** by Mathias Énard
translated from the French by Charlotte Mandell (New Directions)

This virtuosic and engaging meditation on how the “Orient” has shaped Western thought and art—and been shaped in turn—is also a love letter to countries and cultures that have been damaged nearly beyond recognition. Over the course of a sleepless night, a Viennese musicologist broods over an ominous diagnosis and recalls with bittersweet wryness his unrequited love for Sarah, a brilliant scholar of Middle Eastern cultures. He punctuates his monologue with adventures and misadventures of a colorful cast of historical figures. Charlotte Mandell conveys the exhilaration, complexity, and intellectual relish of Énard’s prose with every ounce of the original’s energy.

**Dandelions** by Yasunari Kawabata
translated from the Japanese by Michael Emmerich (New Directions)

Ineko has been diagnosed with “somagnosia” or “body-blindness,” and her mother and lover have just left her at an insane asylum. As they walk away, they can hear a temple bell in the distance and they know Ineko is ringing it. Kawabata’s final masterpiece—begun half a decade before he won the Nobel Prize in 1968 and left unfinished by his 1972 suicide—follows the conversation as mother and lover wander through late afternoon and into the night. Michael Emmerich’s flawless prose echoes out like the bell from the asylum as the narrative plummets along the knife-edge that divides things seen from those unseen.

**Ghachar Ghochar** by Vivek Shanbhag
translated from the Kannada by Srinath Perur (Penguin Books)

A compact book that packs a powerful punch. Compelling and sharply-observed, this portrait of a Bangalore family growing accustomed to sudden prosperity starts out with the trappings of a domestic comedy, only to lead us into murkier waters as their depravity is gradually laid bare. The oblivious narrator sails along willfully untroubled and is deployed to brilliant effect—the family’s secrets cannot stay hidden, and what he leaves unsaid tells us much more than what he reveals. Vivek Shanbhag’s lively narrative voice is flawlessly rendered by Srinath Perur, whose translation zings with vivid energy and sinister depths.

**The Impossible Fairy Tale** by Han Yujoo
translated from the Korean by Janet Hong (Graywolf Press)

The first of Han Yujoo’s books to be published in English is unlike anything else in its fearless experimentalism, working a nightmare narrative of childhood anomie and psychosis into a metafictional meditation on the meaning of storytelling. Janet Hong’s breathtakingly supple translation of the Korean wordplay achieves the impossible, again and again.

**Old Rendering Plant** by Wolfgang Hilbig
translated from the German by Isabel Fargo Cole (Two Lines Press)

The narrator of this slender but forceful book recalls a childhood spent in thrall to an old coal plant repurposed as a slaughterhouse, in which animal fat is rendered. Forbidden to go near it, he nonetheless returns day after day, uncovering in each foray a bit more of the reality his community refuses to acknowledge—but which nonetheless pervades the region as insistently as the stench from the plant. In sensuous, exuberant, but unsettling prose, Hilbig distills these childhood memories into an elixir that has more than a hint of toxicity. Isabel Cole Fargo’s sinuous, supple translation beautifully captures the original’s ominous tone.
NATIONAL TRANSLATION AWARD POETRY SHORTLIST

Congratulations to all the titles selected this year for the National Translation Award in Poetry shortlist! See what judges Kareem James Abu-Zeid, Jennifer Feeley, and Sawako Nakayasu have to say about each of the shortlisted titles below (in alphabetical order by title):

**Directions for Use** by Ana Ristović
translated from the Serbian by Steven Teref and Maja Teref (Zephyr Press)

Ana Ristović’s first book in English translation is long overdue—elsewhere in the world she has already found her audience. Steven Teref and Maja Teref team up to bring us this singular feminist voice in contemporary Serbian poetry, while providing crucial context to a Ristović-specific audacity tucked beneath the surfaces of what at first blush feels charming and wittily domestic. This book traffics in the “directions” and “uses” of cities, vehicles, houses, and interiorities of the body—in particular, the sensual landscapes here are disarming and fresh—“my soul sewed/a chatty vulva on me with invisible thread.”

**Hackers** by Aase Berg
translated from the Swedish by Johannes Göransson (Black Ocean)

The hard, jagged edges of Aase Berg’s postfeminist language are at once minimal, futuristic, scrappy, and hag-like—impatiently hacking away at long-failed systems of patriarchy and capitalism and other systems equally in need of eradication at the molecular level. Johannes Göransson’s translation is appropriately queer, and a tremendous success: it leaves the reader with nowhere to hide. It’s an unsettling book for exactly these times—as troubled as we are by what it uncovers, in some terrifying and lucid way, Berg and Göransson suggest, through this work, to love only if we love fiercely—and we do need that.

**I Remember Nightfall** by Marosa di Giorgio
translated from the Spanish by Jeannine Marie Pitas (Ugly Duckling Presse)

Prominent Uruguayan poet Marosa di Giorgio conjures up an off-kilter nocturnal world where the unearthly becomes mundane and the impossible becomes possible. These poems are sensuous, enchanting, delicate, and beautiful, as well as disorienting, unsettling, chilling, and macabre. The remembered gardens of her hallucinatory nightmarescapes are infested with sinister flowers, suffocating tulle, rotting corpses, crazed flora and fauna, the cloying perfume of flowers and fruits, and various supernatural beings. No one or nothing is to be trusted. Jeannine Marie Pitas’s haunting English translation captures di Giorgio’s peculiar syntax, deceptively simple language, and urgent rhythms.

**The Odyssey** by Homer
translated from the Greek by Emily Wilson (W. W. Norton & Company)

Emily Wilson’s fresh take on this ancient Homeric epic is both scholarly exacting and a pleasure to read. Rendered into a colloquial iambic pentameter that matches the same number of lines as the Greek hexameters, her buoyant rhythms and fresh, vivid imagery weave a gripping, brisk-paced narrative that is hard to put down. Wilson’s efforts can also be considered an intervention to slough off the anachronistic biases and oversimplifications found in many previous translations. The result is a work that is crisp, forceful, daring, and nuanced, a monumental rendering of a monumental text, “an old story for our modern times.”

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**Sonic Peace** by Kiriu Minashita  
translated from the Japanese by Spencer Thurlow and Eric Hyett ( Phoneme Media)  
Eric E. Hyett and Spencer Thurlow’s electrifying translation of Kiriu Minashita’s award-winning poetry collection envisions a technology-driven, rain-soaked Tokyo in which everything and everyone is mass-produced, interchangeable, and comes with a price tag. Minashita is interested in exploring the limits of language, particularly the act of naming and what ends up lost in this process, revealing the porousness of the boundaries between the genuine and the counterfeit. Hyett and Thurlow find innovative solutions to recreate Minashita’s playful linguistic subversions, emphasizing the sonic quality of certain words and phrases to distinguish sound from meaning.

**Third-Millennium Heart** by Ursula Andkjær Olsen  
translated from the Danish by Katrine Øgaard Jensen (Action Books)  
Danish poet Ursula Andkjær Olsen’s compelling work travels through dark chambers of desire, power, and creation, conjuring up a feminist space where culture and nature wage war with one another, where psychology and anatomy merge to create a uniquely modern mytho-poetics. Katrine Øgaard Jensen’s masterful translation has a strong rhythm all its own, and captures the book’s jarring quality in a remarkably smooth rendering. By the end of this insidious text, the reader is just as “namedrunk” as the book’s enigmatic lyrical subject, and discovers that their own “heartspace,” too, has been torn open, dissected, and beautifully recreated.
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LUCIEN STRYK ASIAN TRANSLATION PRIZE SHORTLIST

Congratulations to the translators on the 2018 Lucien Stryk Asian Translation Prize shortlist! See what judges Robert A. Hueckstedt, Sora Kim-Russell, and Juliet Winters Carpenter had to say about each of the shortlist titles (in alphabetical order by title):

Darkening Mirror: New & Selected Poems by Wang Jiaxin
Translated from the Chinese by Diana Shi and George O’Connell (Tebot Bach)
This brilliant translation, graced by a penetrating introduction by former U.S. Poet Laureate Robert Hass, introduces the work of a major contemporary poet. In poems written in a span of thirty years, from 1985 to the recent present, Wang draws on the classical tradition of Du Fu and others with homage also to W.B. Yeats, Octavio Paz, and Emily Dickinson. Throughout, his voice remains intensely personal, fusing the lyrical and the intellectual as he explores memory and meaning. The reader encounters quiet meditations (“When I want to speak to you of truth, I find I must use / another language.”) and the beauty in aching silences (“Write winter to its last day. Time splinters: from the space / between words, smoky mist ascends, boundless, indistinct.”). As old age comes on, he has a special affinity for snow: “I love the snow; these shivering losses, remembering / the grass, its last green breath.” These are poems to savor and treasure.

Devils in Daylight by Junichiro Tanizaki
Translated from the Japanese by J. Keith Vincent (New Directions)
Though a mystery novella, Devils in Daylight is as literary as the work of Edgar Allan Poe, whose “Gold Bug” was a major inspiration. Appearing first in 1918, when “everyone” had read Poe’s short story, Devils in Daylight carries that story over into early 20th-century Japan—and then takes it much further than Poe could have imagined possible. The ending will surprise every reader. The translator uses a fluent English to help non-Japanese readers through the suspense, and his afterword fills in much that the English had no choice but to leave behind.

The Maids by Junichiro Tanizaki
Translated from the Japanese by Michael P. Cronin (New Directions)
From the 1930s through the first half of the 1960s, the Chikura household employs many maids, some staying only a year or so, and a few staying longer than ten. Though a relatively short novel, The Maids illuminates from within the huge social changes that occurred during that time, reflected in the changing relationships between the maids and the members of the family. These relationships are shown with heartfelt precision, and the narration is enriched with many allusions, not only to the time of the setting but to earlier, classical Japanese literature. The translator handles all this masterfully, and his afterword should not be missed.

Notes of a Crocodile by Qiu Miaojin
Translated from the Chinese by Bonnie Huie (New York Review Books)
Notes of a Crocodile by Qiu Miaojin, first published in Taiwan in 1994, is a queer novel in both senses of the adjective. It tells the story of a “woman who loves women;” while also queering the conventions of the novel to chart a non-linear, non-binary, playfully fragmented, and multi-genre course of its own. Translator Bonnie Huie deftly navigates Qui’s stylistic twists and turn, artfully balancing ontological philosophy against the diction and hijinks of a group of college-aged misfits chafing against social expectations. While fundamentally a story about misfits—crocodiles who “adopted a homemade ‘human suit’ before running away from home”—it is a perfect fit and an overdue addition to the ever-growing body of queer literature from around the world.

Sonic Peace by Kiriu Minashita
Translated from the Japanese by Eric E. Hyett and Spencer Thurlow (Phoneme Media)
This collection of poetry by Kiriu Minashita, awarded the Nakahara Chūya Prize, portrays modern Tokyo as a world of lonely, electronic artificiality. Vending machines glow, the sky rains scrap iron, “the strange digitized land dances.” People lose their names, their identities—“Morning on the train platform / someone has dropped a name / lonely and round.” Words themselves become plastic, unreal...communication a constant challenge. To underscore the difficulty, Minashita uses the katakana syllabary to “isolate sound from meaning.” The translators have cleverly approximated the effect in English by dividing words syllabically in dictionary form. And yet, despite the problematic nature of language and communication in this disjointed world, meaningful connection is possible: “My words / become words / as they’re understood by you—” Hope outweighs despair.

Titles eligible for the 2018 Lucien Stryk Asian Translation Prize were book-length translations into English of Asian poetry or prose, or source texts from (but solely not commentaries on) Zen Buddhism or book-length translations from Hindi, Sanskrit, Tamil, Thai, Vietnamese, Chinese, Japanese, and Korean into English published anywhere in the world in the previous calendar year (2017). Publishers and translators are invited to submit titles for consideration at the beginning of the year, and book selection is based on the quality of the finished book in English. For more information, visit www.literarytranslators.org.
ITALIAN PROSE IN TRANSLATION AWARD SHORTLIST

Congratulations to the translators on the 2018 Italian Prose in Translation Award shortlist! See what judges Geoffrey Brock, Peter Constantine, and Sarah Stickney had to say about each of the shortlist titles (in alphabetical order by title):

**Family Lexicon** by Natalia Ginzburg
*Translated from the Italian by Jenny McPhee (New York Review Books)*

Jenny McPhee’s pellucid new translation of Natalia Ginzburg’s 1963 masterpiece, *Family Lexicon*, is the best English version yet of this genre-defying classic. “The places, events, and people in this book are real,” Ginzburg tells us in her famously monitory preface: “I haven’t invented a thing.” And though she calls it “the story of my family” and claims to have written “only what I remember,” she insists we read it “as if it were a novel.” However we read it, Ginzburg herself is often curiously absent, or present only by implication, like a camera’s lens. The book’s greatest achievement may be its complex portrait of her father, which, though affectionate, is unsparing: the first pages acquaint us with his casually racist lexicon—posing a translation challenge McPhee handles perfectly. A riveting picture also emerges of the community of anti-Fascist intellectuals of which Ginzburg was a part. The lapidary paragraphs on Cesare Pavese, for example, are essential reading, as are the glimpses of her husband, the editor and resistance hero Leone Ginzburg, presented here chiefly as a colleague. The passing mention of his murder exemplifies the book’s formidable emotional and stylistic restraint, a restraint that McPhee’s translation deftly preserves. McPhee also deserves credit for her fine endnotes, which provide useful historical and biographical context.

**For Isabel: A Mandala** by Antonio Tabucchi
*Translated from the Italian by Elizabeth Harris (Archipelago Books)*

Translated by Elizabeth Harris, Antonio Tabucchi’s *For Isabel: A Mandala* leads the reader through a “mandala of consciousness.” This novella is at once a mystery, a magical-realist fairytale, and a travelogue. As we follow the protagonist in his search for the lost Isabel, we move towards the center of the mystery through the mandala’s concentric circles, meeting strange and intriguing characters who seep out of the past or appear in incongruous haunts around Lisbon and the surrounding territory where the book takes place. Tabucchi creates an intricate web that connects past to present, dream-life to waking. The book is filled with evocative images that seem to float free of mere plot constraints: a string bag of captive frogs let loose in the family garden, a saxophonist in a jazz bar playing to a drinker of absinthe, a single mourner at a faked funeral in a sailor’s chapel by the sea. When asked by a photographer what he is about, the protagonist answers: “It’s simple…to reach consciousness, you photograph reality: you must know what consciousness is.” Harris carries the delicate magic of consciousness from Italian into English with deceptive ease. She works with admirable precision to capture the voices of the different speakers and the details of the shifting context, yet she never sacrifices the dreamy texture of the writing.

**These Possible Lives** by Fleur Jaeggy
*Translated from the Italian by Minna Zallman Proctor (New Directions)*

Fleur Jaeggy’s *These Possible Lives*, translated by Minna Zallman Proctor, is a book of three short-but-labyrinthine biographical pieces that recreate in intricate distilled detail the lives of the British literary giants Thomas De Quincey and John Keats, and the French Symbolist writer Marcel Schwob. Jaeggy, a Swiss author who writes in Italian, is a virtuoso stylist, her prose crossing genres from biographical essay to prose poem to literary criticism. There are few dates and no dry day-to-day facts in these biographies, but unexpected and whimsical details of these men’s lives woven together in surprising configurations. The character portraits are dense and original, each a fascinating study of the inner life of genius. The link between the three biographies is the startling portrayal of the mercurial nature of these men, a compelling study of inspiration and insanity, addiction and death. Minna Zallman Proctor has masterfully recreated the complicated nuance and texture of Fleur Jaeggy’s brilliantly idiosyncratic style. Her translation has captured the complexity and unusual pacing of the prose, which makes this book as remarkable a read in English as it is in Italian.

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The Breaking of a Wave by Fabio Genovesi  
*Translated from the Italian by Will Schutt (Europa Editions)*

Fabio Genovesi’s novel, *Chi manda le onde*, has been skillfully translated into English by Will Schutt under the title *The Breaking of a Wave*. The sprawling novel with its cast of charming misfits won the Strega Prize for Young Authors in 2015. Marked by irony and tenderness, the story swirls among various perspectives. Luna, the albino teenager, is voiced in the first person, her mother Serena occupies the second person, and Sandro, an untethered bachelor in his forties, narrates in third person. These three are surrounded by the many well-drawn inhabitants of their Tuscan beach town, Forte dei Marmi. Indeed, the town itself is one of the book’s protagonists. Genovesi describes it with affectionate wit, from the wealth of its Russian and Milanese tourists in summer, to the provincial desolation of its winters. The sea remains present throughout the book, both literally and metaphorically, in all its immensity. Schutt rises to the challenge of this novel’s intersubjectivity, fluidly transforming its perspectival shifts into English. He deserves particular praise for his dexterous handling of the dialogue, a strong point of Genovesi’s writing. Schutt makes the shifting idiom feel at home in English, and he captures Genovesi’s wonderful ear for, and sympathy toward, those on the edges of society.

Ties by Domenico Starnone  
*Translated from the Italian by Jhumpa Lahiri (Europa Editions)*

Jhumpa Lahiri’s much-discussed love affair with the Italian language has born welcome new fruit: in her debut as a translator, she offers a stylistically and tonally assured version of Domenico Starnone’s harrowing thirteenth novel, *Ties*, about the effects of an affair on a Neapolitan family. While the book succeeds brilliantly on its own terms, it also teases readers of Elena Ferrante (whose identity has been linked both to Starnone and to his wife, Anita Raja) with a brief opening section that covers territory strikingly similar to that of Ferrante’s *The Days of Abandonment*: in both books, Neapolitan women who have been left by similar husbands in a similar manner try desperately to come to terms with what has happened. *Ties*, however, veers into new territory in the second section, which comprises the bulk of this book and which is told in the voice of the husband following a leap in time. (The brief third section focuses on the couple’s two grown children.) The novel, insightfully introduced by Lahiri, is psychologically trenchant, deftly plotted, and full of resonant scenes and surprising revelations. Though long an important figure in contemporary Italian fiction, Starnone has remained obscure in English; Lahiri’s elegant, affecting translation should finally bring him the attention he deserves among Anglophone readers.

Starting in 2015, the Italian Prose in Translation Award (IPTA) recognizes the importance of contemporary Italian prose (fiction and literary non-fiction) and promotes the translation of Italian works into English. This prize is awarded annually to a translator of a recent work of Italian prose (fiction or literary non-fiction). Publishers are invited to submit titles for consideration at the beginning of the year. For more information, visit www.literarytranslators.org.
CLIFF BECKER BOOK PRIZE IN TRANSLATION

White Pine Press, the Cliff Becker Endowment for the Literary Arts, the Center for the Art of Translation, and the American Literary Translators Association (ALTA) are proud to announce the winner of the fifth annual Cliff Becker Book Prize in Translation, which produces one volume of previously-unpublished literary translation in English annually. The winning manuscript in 2018 was *The Joyous Science: Selected Poems of Maxim Amelin*, translated from the Russian by Anne O. Fisher and Derek Mong.

Judges Diana Thow, Anthony Anemone, and Joanna Trzeciak Huss read and reviewed thirty book manuscripts. After careful deliberation, *The Joyous Science* was selected as the most worthy of commendation and publication. The judges had the following to say: “Mong and Fisher have succeeded in finding a distinctive voice in English for Amelin, a poet steeped in the philosophical traditions and poetic culture of Russia. There is poetry in Mong and Fisher’s translation, wrought in judicious and playful word choice, internal rhyme, and with a sensitive ear for song, sense, and soulfulness. There are even places where these translations equal or, perhaps, surpass the original in their crispness and linguistic innovation, making this collection not only a remarkable accomplishment of poetic translation but truly a pleasure to read.”

Poet Maxim Amelin (b. 1970) translates from both classical Greek and Latin and contemporary languages. As Editor-in-Chief of OGI Publishing House, he works to enrich Russian letters by publishing neglected or marginalized poets. His many awards include the Solzhenitsyn Prize (2013) and Russia’s national award for poetry, the Poet Prize (2017).

Anne O. Fisher’s latest translation is *The Freedom Factory* by Ksenia Buksha (Phoneme Media, 2018). Other recent translations include works by Sigizmund Krzhizhanovsky, Nilufar Sharipova, Ilya Danishevsky, Andrey Lukyanov, and Julia Lukshina. Fisher is Senior Lecturer in the Department of Translation and Interpreting Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Derek Mong is a poet whose books include *Other Romes* (2011), *The Identity Thief* (2018), and a chapbook of Latin adaptations, *The Ego and the Empiricist* (2017). His work appears widely: *Pleiades*, the *Kenyon Review*, and the *Gettysburg Review*. He is the Byron K. Trippet Assistant Professor of English at Wabash College.

Cliff Becker (1964-2005) was the National Endowment for the Arts Literature Director from 1995-2005. He began his career at the NEA in 1992 as a literature specialist, was named Acting Director in 1997, and in 1999 became the NEA’s Director of Literature.

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Caridad Svich

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Key works in her repertoire include 12 Ophelias, Iphigenia Crash Land Falls on the Neon Shell That Was Once Her Heart, Alchemy of Desire/Dead-Man’s Blues, and RED BIKE. She has also adapted for the stage novels by Mario Vargas Llosa, Julia Alvarez, and José León Sánchez, and has radically reconfigured works from Wedekind, Euripides, Sophocles, and Shakespeare. As a theatrical translator, she has translated into English nearly all the plays of Federico García Lorca, and works by Lope de Vega, Calderón de la Barca, Antonio Buero Vallejo, Julio Cortázar, and contemporary works from Spain, Mexico, and Cuba. She has also edited several books on theatre and performance.

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Neal-Marshall Black Culture Center
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Bloomington offers a rich assortment of places to find good food. On campus itself, there is a food court and a few cafés in the Indiana Memorial Union, where the conference takes place, in addition to the Tudor Room on the first floor of the IMU, which offers more upscale dining.

In venturing past the Sample Gates, along Indiana Avenue and Kirkwood Avenue (the two streets running parallel and perpendicular to the university), you will find a series of restaurants offering meals to a variety of different tastes: chains like Qdoba, Subway, and Noodles n’ Company, and local places such as Japonee, Buffaloie’s and Nick’s (both sports bars), Laughing Planet Café, and the Village Deli.

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