Call for Papers

Literature/Film Association
Conference 2002:
GLOBAL AND AMERICAN CINEMAS
At Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania
17-20 October 2002

Proposals are invited from all areas of literature and film studies, but papers dealing with national cinemas and their relationship to national and cultural discourses, post-colonial fiction and cinema, lit/film and diasporas, international movements and filmmakers, and American literature/film which crosses traditional boundaries are especially encouraged. Also of interest are papers on remakes and adaptations, lit/film theory, lit/film genres, Shakespeare films, issues of race/class/gender in lit/film, auteurs, and individual film analyses. Proposal abstracts should be 300-500 words in length; papers should be read in no more than twenty minutes.

Send proposals to the Conference Director, David Kranz, Coordinator of Film Studies, Department of English, Dickinson College, Carlisle, PA, 17013 either by mail, fax (717-345-1942), or e-mail kranz@dickinson.edu. Deadline: 15 August 2002. Notification of acceptance by 30 August 2002.

LOCATION
Dickinson College, begun as a grammar school in 1773 and chartered as a college in 1783, was the brainchild of Benjamin Rush, an influential doctor, philosopher, and signer of the Declaration of Independence. The school is named for John Dickinson, governor of Pennsylvania and “Penman of the Revolution,” who was the first chairman of the College's board of trustees. Distinctive now for its 32 academic programs on six continents around the world and its expansive liberal arts curriculum at home, Dickinson has offered courses in lit/film for over twenty years and recently inaugurated a program in film studies. The College's historic campus, which boasts numerous facilities for film and video projection, promises to be lovely in its sylvan autumn foliage. For more information on Dickinson, go to www.dickinson.edu.

Carlisle, PA, is a quaint and attractive town of about 18,000 citizens nestled in Pennsylvania farmlands between two Appalachian mountains. Dubbed “a patch of Georgetown in the country,” Carlisle boasts three high-quality restaurants (Northern Italian, French, Continental), six moderate to up-scale eateries (Chinese, Thai, Mexican, American), a refurbished art-deco movie theater, one mall cinema, and close proximity to the metropolitan area of Harrisburg, the state capitol. Since the historic downtown area and Dickinson are contiguous, conference participants will be within four blocks of Carlisle’s restaurants, bars, and new hotel. For details, go to www.dickinson.edu/carlisle. Carlisle and Dickinson are 1.5 hours drive from Baltimore, 2 hours drive from Washington and Philadelphia, 3.5 hours from New York, 40 minutes from Harrisburg International Airport, and 30 minutes from the Harrisburg Amtrak Station. The conference will provide shuttle service to the Harrisburg airport and train station.