

Table of Contents

Introduction	ix
--------------------	----

Extending the Postmodern

BIRGIT DÄWES

The Witchcraft of Fiction Revisited: The Principle of “Absent Presence” from Young Goodman Brown to Kermit the Frog	3
---	---

Autobiography and Life Writing

BRITTA FEYERABEND

<i>Fabricating Lives: Alice Walker’s Quilted Biographies</i>	35
--	----

SUSANNE BECKER

“In the end, we’ll all become stories”: Authenticity, Authority, and the Autobiographical Modes of Margaret Atwood	49
--	----

CHRISTINE MARKS

The Ill Self, Memory, and Narrative Identity in Siri Hustvedt’s Memoir <i>The Shaking Woman or a History of My Nerves</i>	75
---	----

KATJA KURZ

Insanity and Humor in Latino Autobiography: A Case Study of Culture Clash	95
---	----

MARY ROSE MONTEMAYOR-HIELSCHER

“Listen closely yo, I got a story to tell”: Producing and Preserving Filipino (American) Cultural Memory through Hip Hop Music	119
--	-----

Multicultural Encounters

KERSTIN VOGEL

"... for all men are born free and equal": Literary Democracy
and Native Resistance in the Early Nineteenth Century 155

MANFRED SIEBALD

Of Jewish Noses and Black Skin: Negotiations of
Multiculturalism in American Plays of the 1920s 171

Conceptualizing the Transnational

SABINE KIM

Haunted Listening: Spiritualism and Techniques of
Hearing in Nineteenth-Century America 193

CARMEN BIRKLE

Shipping Out with Melville 205

NICOLE WALLER

"A garden in the middle of the sea": Henry James's
The Aspern Papers and Transnational American Studies 245

NADJA GERNALZICK

Translingual Literature 261

YVONNE GUTENBERGER

Contemporary African American
Life Writing and Transcultural Identity 279

MITA BANERJEE

"Between the Burqa and the Beauty Parlor":
Re-Orientalism in Azar Nafisi's *Reading Lolita in Tehran* 301

Ecocriticism and Planetaryity

MICHA GERRIT PHILIPP EDLICH

Of Urban Wastelands and Commodified (Post-)Pastoral

Retreats: Michelangelo Antonioni's *Zabriskie Point* 329

BÄRBEL HÖTTGES

"Until... until it's rescued": The Globalization of the

Jeremiad in Al Gore's *An Inconvenient Truth*..... 349

ChinAmerica

SHANSHAN YAN

The General Motorization of China 379

Contributors 407