# Susan Dunn-Hensley

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#### **EDUCATION**

Ph. D., University of Kansas, December 2006. (Honors)
Passed Comprehensive Exam with Honors (May 2002)

M.A., English, University of Kansas, May 1998.

Departmental Honors

B.A., English, University of Central Arkansas, December 1994

### PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

August 2008-present Visiting / Guest Assistant Professor, Wheaton College

August 1995-December 2003 TA / Lecturer, Department of English, University of Kansas

Summer 2000 Instructor, Talent Identification Program, Duke University

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

### Book:

Anna of Denmark and Henrietta Maria: Virgins, Witches, and Catholic Queens. (Palgrave MacMillan, 2017).

### Journal Article:

"Queenship and Sexual Violence: Henry VIII and the "Bewhoring" of the Petrarchan Beloved." *Explorations in Renaissance Culture*. 46.1 (2020): 2-16.

Dunn-Hensley, Susan. "Virtual Pilgrimage in a Time of Pandemic: Lessons from the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham." *The International Journal of Religious Tourism and Pilgrimage* 8.7 (2020): 121-129.

"Return to the Sacred: The Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham and Contemporary Christianity." *Religions* 9.6 (2018).

## **Book Chapters:**

"Henrietta Maria: Dangerous Consort." *Tudor and Stuart Consorts*, Vol. III. Ed. Aidan Norrie. Palgrave Macmillan, forthcoming. Print. English Consorts: Power, Influence, Dynasty Series [Forthcoming]

- "Sacred Queenship: Elizabethan Progress Entertainments and Memory of Pilgrimage." *Women and Pilgrimage*. Ed. Moore Quin and Alison Smith. CABI. [Forthcoming]
- "Conniving Queen, Frivolous Wife, or Romantic Heroine? The Afterlife of Queen Henrietta Maria."

  Remembering Queens & Kings in Early Modern England and France: Reputation,

  Reinterpretation, Reincarnation. Ed. Estelle Paranque. New York: Palgrave MacMillan, 2019.
- "Return of the Sacred Virgin: Memory, Loss, and Restoration in Shakespeare's Later Plays." *Walsingham in Literature and Culture from the Middle Ages to Modernity*. Ed. Dominic Janes and Gary Waller. Hampshire, UK: Ashgate, 2010. 185-198.
- "Whore Queens: The Sexualized Female Body and the State." "High and Mighty Queens" of Early Modern England. Ed. Carole Levin. New York: Palgrave MacMillan, 2003. 101-116.

## **Encyclopedia Entries**

"Agnes Baynton" and fourteen other entries. A Biographical Encyclopedia of Early Modern Englishwomen:

Exemplary Lives and Memorable Acts, 1500-1650. Ed. Carole Levin and Anna Riehl Bertolet. Routledge, 2016.

#### **Reviews**

- "After Lavinia: A Literary History of Premodern Marriage Diplomacy." Clio: A Journal of Literature, History, and Philosophy (2017): 221-227.
- "The Emblematic Queen: Extra-Literary Representations of Early Modern Queenship" *Clio: A Journal of Literature, History, and Philosophy* 43:3. 6-11.

### **Invited Speaking Appearance**

"Negotiating Dynasty: Anna of Denmark and the Marriage of Princess Elizabeth." Crossing the North Sea: Anna of Denmark, Cultural Transfer and Transnational Politics. Jesus College, Oxford, 11 May 2019.

## **Select Presentations and Conference Papers**

- "Staging the Sacred Virgin in *All's Well that Ends Well*." Sixteenth Century Society and Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, October 2019.
- "Destroying the Bower: Queenship and Sexual Violence in *The Faerie Queene* and *Endymion*." South Central Renaissance Conference, Lubbock, Texas, April 2019.
- "Warrior Queen: Henrietta Maria as Military Leader in *The King's Cabinet Opened*." Renaissance Society of America, Toronto, March 2019.
- "Staging Sacred Queenship: Memory of Pilgrimage and the Sacred Feminine in Elizabethan Progress Entertainments." ANZAMEMS (Australian and New Zealand Association of Medieval and Early Modern Studies), Sydney, Australia, February 2019.
- "Unsexed Bodies: Climatic Instability and Queenship in *Macbeth*." Shakespeare Association of America, Los Angeles, CA, March 2018.
- "Queenship and Sexual Violence: Henry VIII and the 'Bewhoring' of the Petrarchan Beloved." South Central Renaissance Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, April 2018.

- "Return to the Sacred: The Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham and Contemporary Christianity." Sacred Journeys: Religious Tourism and Pilgrimage 4<sup>th</sup> Global Conference, Beijing, China, October 2017.
- "Wooed with the Sword": Violence and the Restoration of Patriarchy in Late Elizabethan Literature." Gloriana Conference, London, England, November 2016.
- "Sacred Spaces and Threatening Enclosures: Early Modern Queens and Diabolical Witches." South Central Renaissance Conference, Queen Elizabeth I Society, Raleigh, NC, March 2015.
- "From London to England's Nazareth: Memory of Pilgrimage and the Sacred Feminine in Elizabeth I's Progress Entertainments." Midwest Modern Language Association, Detroit, November 2014.
- "Wielding Virginity: Representations of Sacred Virginity and Power in the Royal Entertainments of Elizabeth I, Anna of Denmark, and Henrietta Maria." South Central Renaissance Conference, Queen Elizabeth I Society, Tucson, April 2014.
- "Elizabeth I and Female Sovereignty: Malory, Spenser, and Tolkien." South Central Renaissance Conference, Queen Elizabeth I Society, Omaha, March 2013.
- "Empowering Ophelia: Shakespeare's Tragic Heroine in Young Adult Fiction." Midwest Modern Language Association. Milwaukee, November 2013.
- "Reigning in a New Generation: Elizabeth I in Adolescent Literature," South Central Renaissance Conference, Queen Elizabeth I Society, New Orleans, March 2012.
- "Real Presences: Protestantism, the Body, and the Virgin Queen." South Central Renaissance Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, March 2011.
- "Leaving London: Memory of Pilgrimage and the Sacred Feminine in Elizabeth I's Progress Entertainments." South Central Renaissance Conference, Corpus Christi, Texas, April 2010.
- "Shakespeare's Sacred Virgins: Shadows of Catholicism on the Early Modern Stage." South Central Renaissance Conference, San Antonio, Texas, March 2007.
- "Reading Beneath the Praise: Lyly's *Endymion* as Criticism of Elizabeth I." Queens and Power in Medieval and Early Modern England Conference, Lincoln, Nebraska, March 2006.
- "Sacred Spaces and Threatening Enclosures: Healing Virgins and Contaminating Whores on the Jacobean Stage." British Seminar, University of Kansas, March 2004.
- "Addressing the Performance Text: Teaching Drama in the English Classroom." University of Kansas Conference on Composition and Literature, October 1999.
- "Disciple of Pan: Thoreau and the Feminized Body of the Earth." University of Kansas Conference on Composition and Literature, October 1997.

# Selected Seminar Papers presented at the Shakespeare Association of America

- "Performing Beauty and Race in *The Masque of Blackness*." Seminar on Shakespeare without Africans. Shakespeare Association of America, St. Louis, April 2014.
- "Strong Chastity: Virginity and the Gendering of Childhood." Seminar on "Gendering of Childhood." Thirty-eighth Annual Meeting of the Shakespeare Association of America, Chicago, Illinois, April 2010.

"Into my mother's bosom": The Restorative Power of Sacred Female Community in Shakespeare's Later Plays." Seminar on "Rethinking Shakespeare and Religion." Thirty-seventh Annual Meeting of the Shakespeare Association of America, Washington, D.C., April 2009.

"Must Sacred Virgins Become Chaste Wives?: Reading Isabella's Choice in *Measure for Measure*." Seminar in "Shakespeare and Catholicism." Thirty-fifth Annual Meeting of the Shakespeare Association of America, San Diego, California, April 2007.

"The Sacred Virgin in Early Modern Literature." Seminar in "Shakespeare and Reformation." Thirty-Fourth Annual Meeting of the Shakespeare Association of America, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, April 2006.

"Constructing Masculinity in *Coriolanus*." Seminar on "Masculinity and Violence." Thirtieth Annual Meeting of the Shakespeare Association of America, Minneapolis, March 2002.

"From Paganism to Christianity in *Antony and Cleopatra* and *Cymbeline*." Seminar on "Shakespeare and Religion." Twenty-seventh Annual Meeting of the Shakespeare Association of America, San Francisco, March 1999.

#### **Creative Work**

Adaptation of Elizabeth Cary's *The Tragedy of Mariam*, performed by the English Alternative Theatre, Fall 1996.

#### Awards:

George Greenia Research Fellowship in Pilgrimage Studies ~ (co-recipient Professor Sharenda Barlar - Department of Modern and Classical Languages)

Received funding for an Undergraduate Research Fellow – Summer Research Program; Sharenda Barlar and I will be supervising Madison Cash as she assists in our research on pilgrimage.

John Stott Faculty Grant (2019): For research of pilgrimage in England and Ireland Faculty Development Grant (2018): Presented paper at ANZAMEMS in Sydney, Australia Faculty Global Research Grant (2018): For research on pilgrimage in London and Walsingham, England Faculty Development Grant (2017): Presented a paper at the Sacred Journey's Conference in Beijing, China

### **Courses Taught at Wheaton College**

- Composition and Research (English 103 and 104)
- Children's Literature
- Adolescent Literature
- History of the English Language
- John Donne
- Renaissance Drama (ENGL 433)
- Modern Western Literature
- Studies in Western Literature (Theme Spiritual Battle)

- Multicultural Literature in Education (independent study)
- Global Literature (Theme Echoes of Empire)

## Courses Taught at the University of Kansas

In each of the following courses, I was the instructor of record. I selected texts, created the syllabus, and taught the course.

- Composition (English 101)
- Composition and Literature (English 102)
- Female Sexuality in Literature (English 203)
- Female Sexuality in Renaissance Literature (English 203)
- Love, Sex, and Gender (English 203)
- Introduction to Drama (English 211)
- British Literature to 1800 (English 312)
- Shakespeare (English 332)
- Literature for Children (English 466)

## Courses that I Designed at the University of Kansas

In the following courses, I not only selected texts and created the syllabus, but I also originated the concept for the class and proposed it to the department.

- Female Sexuality in Literature (English 203)
- Female Sexuality in Renaissance Literature (English 203)
- Love, Sex, and Gender (English 203)