

CAMWS CONVENTION INFORMATION
106th Annual Meeting, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
March 24-27, 2010

The Classical Association of the Middle West and South (CAMWS) will hold its 106th Annual Meeting in Oklahoma City, beginning on the evening of Wednesday, March 24, 2010, and ending on the afternoon of Saturday, March 27, at the invitation of the University of Oklahoma. All sessions will be held in the Renaissance Oklahoma City Convention Center Hotel except those on Friday afternoon, which will take place on the University of Oklahoma campus. Temperatures in Oklahoma in late March range from 40° to 70° F.

MEETING REGISTRATION: You may register online (and pay via credit card) through the CAMWS website (<http://www.camws.org/membership/meetingform.php>), or you may mail a paper copy of the registration form, along with a check, to the CAMWS Office at St. Olaf College; all registration fees go up after **February 22, 2010**.

HOTEL INFORMATION: The Renaissance Oklahoma City Convention Center Hotel is located at 10 North Broadway Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73102. It is a smoke-free hotel with 311 rooms, a spa, and fitness center. All rooms are furnished with cable TV, two phone lines, in-room coffeemaker, iron/board, and hair dryer. High-speed internet access is available in guest rooms at a daily rate of \$12.95. The hotel offers a complimentary shuttle service to and from the airport for registered guests; for details see below in the section on transportation.

The Renaissance Hotel is offering a special room rate for meeting attendees: \$145 (plus 13.88% tax) per night for a single or double room. Reservation requests received after 5:00 p.m. (local time) on **Monday, February 22, 2010**, will be accepted on a space- and rate-available basis. To make a reservation, call 1-405-228-8000; to get the convention rate, mention that you will be attending the Annual Meeting of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South. To make an online reservation, use this URL:
<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/okcbr?groupCode=cmwcmwa&app=resvlink&fromDate=3/24/10&toDate=3/28/10>

TRAVELING TO OKLAHOMA CITY

By Car

Oklahoma City is at the intersection of three major Interstate highways: I-35, I-40, and I-44.

From the NORTH

- Take I-35 southbound
- Merge onto **I-40 W** 1.2 mi
- Take exit **150C** for **Robinson Ave** toward **Downtown** 0.3 mi
- Turn **right** at **S Robinson Ave** 0.2 mi
- Take the 2nd **right** onto **W Sheridan Ave** 0.1 mi
- Turn **left** at **N Broadway Ave** 154 ft.

From the NORTHEAST

- Take **I-44 W** via the ramp to **Okla. City**
- Take the exit on the **left** onto **I-35 S/I-44 W** toward **Okla. City/Downtown**
- Continue to follow I-35 S 11.2 mi
- Continue onto **I-40 W** 1.2 mi
- Take exit **150C** for **Robinson Ave** toward **Downtown** 0.3 mi
- Turn **right** at **S Robinson Ave** 0.2 mi
- Take the 2nd **right** onto **W Sheridan Ave** 0.1 mi
- Turn **left** at **N Broadway Ave** 154 ft.

From the EAST

- Take **I-40 W** toward **Okla. City**
- Take exit **150C** for **Robinson Ave** toward **Downtown** 0.3 mi
- Turn **right** at **S Robinson Ave** 0.2 mi
- Take the 2nd **right** onto **W Sheridan Ave** 0.1 mi
- Turn **left** at **N Broadway Ave** 154 ft.

From the SOUTH

- Take I-35 northbound
- Merge onto to I-235 N
- Take exit **126** on the **left** to merge onto **I-40 W** toward **Amarillo** 0.9 mi
- Take exit **150C** for **Robinson Ave** toward **Downtown** 0.3 mi
- Turn **right** at **S Robinson Ave** 0.2 mi

- Take the 2nd **right** onto **W Sheridan Ave** 0.1 mi
- Turn **left** at **N Broadway Ave** 154 ft.

From the SOUTHWEST

- Take **I-44 E** (Partial toll road)
- Take exit **120B** to merge onto **I-40 E** toward **Ft Smith** 3.4 mi
- Take exit **150B** toward **Harvey Ave** 0.2 mi
- Merge onto **SW 4th St** 108 ft
- Turn **right** at **S Harvey Ave** 0.1 mi
- Take the 2nd **right** onto **SW 2nd St** 499 ft
- Take the 1st **left** onto **S Robinson Ave** 0.2 mi
- Take the 2nd **right** onto **W Sheridan Ave** 0.1 mi
- Turn **left** at **N Broadway Ave** 154 ft.

From the WEST

- Take I-40 eastbound to exit **150B** toward **Harvey Ave**
- Merge onto **SW 4th St** 108 ft
- Turn **right** at **S Harvey Ave** 0.1 mi
- Take the 2nd **right** onto **SW 2nd St** 499 ft
- Take the 1st **left** onto **S Robinson Ave** 0.2 mi
- Take the 2nd **right** onto **W Sheridan Ave** 0.1 mi
- Turn **left** at **N Broadway Ave**

By Bus

Bus service to Oklahoma City is provided by Jefferson Lines (<http://www.jeffersonlines.com>) and Greyhound (<http://www.greyhound.com/home>).

By Air

Will Rogers World Airport (<http://www.flyokc.com/>) is served by eight airlines:

- American/American Eagle (<http://www.aa.com>)
- Continental (<http://www.continental.com>)
- Delta (<http://www.delta-air.com>)
- Frontier (<http://www.flyfrontier.com>)
- Northwest (<http://www.nwa.com>)
- Southwest (<http://www.southwest.com>)
- United/United Express (<http://www.united.com>)

Nonstop service is offered from the following cities: Atlanta (Delta), Baltimore (Southwest), Chicago O'Hare (American, United), Dallas Love Field (Southwest), Dallas/Ft. Worth (American), Denver (Frontier, Southwest, United), Detroit (Northwest), Houston Hobby (Southwest), Houston Intercontinental (Continental), Kansas City (Southwest), Las Vegas (Southwest), Los Angeles (United), Memphis (Northwest), Minneapolis (Northwest), New York Newark (Continental), Phoenix (Southwest), Salt Lake City (Delta), St. Louis (American, Southwest), Washington D.C. (United).

Transportation from the Airport

Rental cars: Companies represented at the airport are Alamo, Avis, Budget, Dollar, Enterprise, Hertz, National, and Thrifty; all are located on Level 1 of the terminal, in the baggage claim area.

Directions from the airport to the hotel:

- Head east on Jy Fuller Rd/Terminal Dr toward SW 67th St 0.1 mi
- Continue onto SW 67th St 341 ft
- Continue onto Jy Fuller Rd/Terminal Dr
- Continue to follow Terminal Dr 0.8 mi
- Continue onto S Meridian Ave 0.8 mi
- Merge onto OK-152 E via the ramp to I-44 E/Downtown 1.0 mi
- Take the exit onto I-44 E toward I-40/Tulsa/Downtown 3.2 mi
- Take exit 120B to merge onto I-40 E toward Ft Smith 3.4 mi
- Take exit 150B toward Harvey Ave 0.2 mi
- Merge onto SW 4th St 108 ft
- Turn right at S Harvey Ave 0.1 mi
- Take the 2nd right onto SW 2nd St 499 ft

- Take the 1st left onto S Robinson Ave 0.2 mi
- Take the 2nd right onto W Sheridan Ave 0.1 mi
- Turn left at N Broadway Ave

Parking at the hotel: Valet parking: \$25.00 daily; Off-site parking: \$7.00 daily. Complimentary valet for non-hotel guests in hotel restaurant or on-site spa. Complimentary VIP shuttle downtown.

Buses: Oklahoma City Metro Transit provides daily service to the airport with a route that services the Meridian Ave. corridor and connects to downtown Oklahoma City. The bus stop is at the Transportation Plaza, accessed from the baggage claim level of the terminal. Rates and schedules are available at www.okc.gov/transit; the destination is Will Rogers World Airport or route 11.

Taxis: Taxis are located at the Transportation Plaza accessed from the baggage claim (lower) level. Rates are posted in the cabs or passengers can obtain rate information from the cab driver. Average fare from the airport to downtown is \$20.00. Limousines and Charters are available from Will Rogers Airport.

Public Shuttles: Public vans are on site to meet all scheduled flights and transport incoming passengers. To arrange for pickup from home, business or hotel, reservations must be made prior to departure. Information on rates and reservations can be obtained by calling each company directly:

- Airport Express (<http://www.taxivan.com>): average fare \$20.00
- Metro Express (phone 405-681-3311)

Complimentary Hotel Shuttle:

Incoming/Arrivals: The Renaissance Hotel will pick up registered guests 24/7 from the airport. When your airplane has landed, call 405-228-8086. The hotel will then dispatch a driver, who should arrive at the airport about 15 minutes later. Meet the driver outside the lower-level baggage claim area in the “Courtesy Shuttle” lane.

Outgoing/Departures: The Renaissance Hotel will take registered guests to the airport on the hour from 4 a.m. to 12 p.m. Simply go to the bell stand and speak with the concierge. If you need to leave at a time outside the standard hours, the hotel will try to accommodate you, on a space-available basis; speak with the concierge about the arrangements.

CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS

Teachers who would like to earn 3.3 Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for attending the CAMWS Annual Meeting in Oklahoma City do not have to do anything in advance. When they arrive at the meeting, they should simply ask at the CAMWS registration desk for a CEU application form. Before they leave the meeting, they should return the completed form to the CAMWS registration desk, along with a check for \$7.50, payable to “UW-Madison Extension.”

PRE-CONVENTION WORKSHOP FOR STUDENTS

For the third year the Graduate Student Issues Committee (GSIC) will sponsor a pre-convention workshop, “*Disce ut Doceas*: Preparing to be a TA in Latin,” Wednesday, March 27, 6:00-8:00 p.m., in the Renaissance (Room 21). The workshop will cover major topics that the first-time Latin teacher at the college level needs to know: surviving the first day, classroom management, lesson planning, understanding different student learning styles, grammar and vocabulary drilling, writing quizzes, teaching the tough topics, using oral Latin, and classroom games, etc. All graduate and undergraduate students who expect to be teaching Latin for the first time in the next couple of years, or those who have already taught once or twice but feel that they would benefit from further training and practice, are welcome. The workshop is free, but please sign up for it on the registration form if you plan to attend.

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

After the pre-convention workshop, sponsored by GSIC, a reception hosted by the former presidents of CAMWS will officially open the meeting, 8:00-10:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 24, in the Renaissance Hotel. Between Thursday morning and Saturday afternoon there will be 70 paper sessions (including two undergraduate student panels and a SORGLL workshop) on a variety of pedagogical and scholarly topics, plus a happy hour for graduate students and special events sponsored by the Vergilian Society, the Women's Classical Caucus, and the Committee for the Promotion of Latin. Friday afternoon's schedule will include a two-part Presidential Panel entitled “Practice and Perception of Black Classicism” and a reception held in the Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art. The CAMWS banquet on Friday evening will feature President Michele V. Ronnick's address and the ovations for 2009-10, presented in Latin by Jim May. More awards will be announced at the Annual Business Meeting on Saturday morning.

ATTRACTIONS NEAR THE RENAISSANCE HOTEL

Bricktown (<http://www.bricktownokc.com>)

Within walking distance of the convention hotel is the Bricktown Entertainment District, a vibrant home to many restaurants, nightclubs, sporting facilities, shops, attractions, condos, and a spectacular canal. Located in the heart of downtown Oklahoma City, Bricktown, as it now stands, was once a warehouse neighborhood that has been magnificently restored. It has enjoyed a physical revival and gained immense popularity since the early 1980s, becoming a hot spot, known for its diverse entertainment options.

Civic Center Music Hall (<http://www.okcciviccenter.org>)

201 N Walker Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73102 (405.297.2584)

Performers scheduled at the Civic Center Music Hall during the annual meeting include blues guitarist Joe Bonamassa (March 26) and the Canterbury Choral Society (March 27).

Myriad Botanical Gardens (<http://www.myriadgardens.com/index.html>)

301 West Reno, Oklahoma City, OK 73102 (405-297-3995)

Seventeen acres of colorfully landscaped gardens surround the Crystal Bridge Tropical Conservatory.

Oklahoma City Art Museum (<http://www.okcma.com>)

415 Couch Drive, OKC, OK 73102 (405-236-3100)

This modern art museum has more than 3,000 works from 19th- and 20th-century American artists. The highlight is a gallery that focuses on modern American art from the 1950s and 1960s, which includes work by Ellsworth Kelly, Richard Diebenkorn and Robert Indiana. This art museum attracts wonderful traveling exhibits, so call if you are in town to see what is new at the museum. Guided tours are available for groups over 10 with two weeks notice. Admission: \$7 adults, \$5 seniors and students, children 5 and under free.

Oklahoma City National Memorial and Museum (<http://www.oklahomacitynationalmemorial.org>)

620 N. Harvey Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73102 (405-235-3313)

The Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum was created to honor those who were killed, those who survived and those changed forever by the 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. The Memorial and Museum are dedicated to educating visitors about the impact of violence, informing about events surrounding the bombing, and inspiring hope and healing through lessons learned by those affected.

Oklahoma City Thunder (<http://www.nba.com/thunder>)

The Thunder is Oklahoma City's professional basketball team. During the meeting, they will be playing Houston (March 24) and the LA Lakers (March 26). The Thunder plays at the Ford Center, a short walk from the Cox Convention Center and Renaissance Hotel.

ATTRACTIONS IN GREATER OKLAHOMA CITY**National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum (<http://www.cowboyhalloffame.org>)**

1700 Northeast 63rd Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73111 (405-478-2250)

The American West is captured in this 220,000 square foot museum. There are hundreds of sculptures and thousands of paintings, photographs and artifacts from the Old West. The newest addition is the Joe Grandee Museum, which features more than 5,000 artifacts from this artist's personal collection. There is a life-size reproduction of a frontier town, a rodeo gallery, a cowboy gallery and a frontier soldier gallery. You will also see the largest collection of contemporary western artists, as well as the well-known paintings of Frederick Remington. Admission: \$8.50 adults, \$7 seniors, \$4 children (6-12), free for children under 6.

Oklahoma City Ballet (<http://www.okcballet.com>)

Plaza Theatre, 1727 NW 16th St, Oklahoma City, OK 73106 (405-843-9898)

The Oklahoma City Ballet will be performing "Future Voices" on March 26 and 27. This choreographic showcase will feature several different pieces choreographed by local dance professionals, including some of Oklahoma City Ballet's own staff and dancers. The Plaza Theater creates an intimate setting for an up-close look at the dancers and the dance, including a question and answer session with the choreographers after each performance. Future Voices will be full of variety in movement and music.

Oklahoma City Zoo (<http://www.okczoo.com>)

2101 NE 50th St., Oklahoma City, OK 73111 (405-424-3344)

One of the ten best zoos in the U.S., the Oklahoma City Zoo is home to more than 2,800 animals. Featured exhibits include Cat Forest/Lion Overlook (lions, tigers, jaguars, leopards) and Great EscApe (gorillas, orangutans, chimpanzees). One of the zoo's most popular attractions is Aquaticus, which features aquariums and shows by a dolphin and sea lions. The zoo offers nature classes, labs, tours and Zoomobiles for all ages. You can end the day with a show under the stars at the amphitheater.

Science Museum Oklahoma (<http://www.omniplez.org>)

2100 Northeast 52nd Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73111 (405-602-6664)

The Science Museum Oklahoma has more than 350 hands-on science exhibits to see. If you have little ones (under 6), there is an area with hands-on exhibits just for them. The Air and Space museum has one of the most complete collections of this type of memorabilia in the southwest. You can also visit the Planetarium or the Dome Theater, a dome-screen theater that surrounds the audience.

Oklahoma History Center (<http://www.oklahomahistorycenter.org>)

2401 N. Laird Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK 73105 (405-522-5248)

Located on 18 acres across from the Capital building, the History Center is a beautifully designed, self-guided exploration of Oklahoma – past to present. Within the 215,000 square-foot learning center are five extraordinary, state-of-the-art galleries housing more than 200 hands-on audio, video and computer activities. Outside the museum, the Red River Journey offers visitors a walking tour of the Red River Valley featuring land forms, vegetation and important historical locations. The grounds also include an outdoor oilfield exhibit with drilling derricks, a portable derrick and machinery associated with Oklahoma oil explorations.

Sam Noble Oklahoma Natural History Museum (<http://www.snomnh.ou.edu>)

2401 Chautauqua Ave., Norman, OK 73072 (405-325-4712)

Explore 50,000 square feet of exhibits that immerse visitors in the state's rich history, including two new galleries: Paleozoic Life and the Noble Corporation and Noble Energy Orientation Gallery. The museum sponsors public programs for adults and children.