

HUMANITIES SEMINARS PROGRAM, Summer 2017

The Brontes and their World

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Wednesdays 9:00 am until 12:00 p.m.

I am no bird; and no net ensnares me; I am a free human being with an independent will.

Required Texts

[Preferred editions indicated below each text, but any Penguin or Norton edition will do]

- 1) Rhys, Jean. *Wide Sargasso Sea*. W.W. Norton, 2016.
ISBN-10: 0393352560. ISBN-13: 978-0393352566.
- 2) Bronte, Charlotte. *Jane Eyre*. Penguin Classics, 2006.
ISBN-10: 0141441143. ISBN-13: 978-0141441146
- 3) _____. *Villette*. Penguin Classics, 2004.
ISBN-10: 0140434798. ISBN-13: 978-0140434798.
- 4) Bronte, Emily. *Wuthering Heights*. Penguin Classics, 2002.
ISBN-10: 0141439556. ISBN-13: 978-0141439556.

Reading Schedule

[Read each selection before class]

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| May 3 | Selections from Elizabeth Gaskell, <u>The Life of Charlotte Bronte</u> , as well as selections from the Bronte juvenilia, letters, and poems. You will receive an email with the link to the site where these readings will be uploaded. |
| May 10 | <i>Jane Eyre</i> |
| May 17 | <i>Wide Sargasso Sea</i> |
| May 24 | <i>Wuthering Heights</i> |
| May 31 | <i>Villette</i> |