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Project MUSE® Announces New Collection, New Journals, and 2007 Subscription Prices

Project MUSE® is pleased to announce that nineteen new journals and nine new publishers are confirmed to date for inclusion in its online collections of humanities and social science journals for 2007. Among the new titles are several from the Texas Tech University Press and University of Tulsa, both of which are new to Project MUSE. MUSE is delighted to be adding each of the nine new publishers to its list of over 60 not-for-profit presses whose journals have been selected for the collections. Project MUSE 2007 pricing also has been announced.

MUSE continues to offer North American academic libraries a tiered, affordable pricing model for its six collections, allowing libraries of all sizes and missions the opportunity to access the collection that best fits each institution's needs and budget. The list price for the 2007 MUSE Premium Collection is \$27,500, representing a discount of more than 15% off the actual value of print subscriptions to the nearly 350 titles included. The 2007 list price for the Standard Collection is \$21,300. MUSE collections offer superior value with complete full-text content, no embargoes, high quality peer-reviewed titles, archival rights to all subscribed material, library-friendly usage policies, and access to selected back-files (up to 10 years or more) at no additional charge.

List prices for 2007 for the other four collections in Project MUSE are:

- Basic Research: \$17,900
- Basic Undergraduate: \$10,600
- Arts & Humanities: \$19,000
- Social Sciences: \$13,900

Complete details about the 2007 North American academic library pricing are available on the MUSE website, http://muse.jhu.edu/about/subscriptions/pricing_academic_2007.html. Specifics about pricing and subscription options were sent to MUSE's consortium partners in August. Institutions that subscribe via a consortium arrangement should

inquire about their renewal options with their consortium offices.

New Titles Added to Collections

The Premium Collection will continue to offer libraries the most comprehensive collection of online arts and humanities content. All nineteen new journals from new and participating publishers will be included in the Premium Collection. MUSE is excited to announce that two additional new titles, *Renaissance Quarterly* and *ESQ*, have been confirmed for inclusion in the Premium Collection since the initial announcement of new titles for 2007. (Please see sidebar, page 3, for a complete list of new titles confirmed to date.) Selected new titles will also be added to three of MUSE's existing collections: Standard Collection, Arts and Humanities Collection, and Social Sciences Collection. In addition, selected current titles will be added to the Basic Research Collection, the Basic Undergraduate Collection, and the Social Sciences Collection.

Comparative Drama, *James Joyce Quarterly*, and *Tulsa Studies in Women's Literature* will be joining the MUSE Standard Collection. Journals are chosen for the MUSE Basic Research and Basic Undergraduate Collections based on a number of selective criteria, and current MUSE titles are re-evaluated annually using these guidelines. Journals now meeting the selection criteria may "graduate" into the applicable Basic Collection(s). In 2007, MUSE will enhance the Basic Research Collection with several current titles: *Asian Perspectives*, *Journal of Narrative Theory*, *Mediterranean Quarterly*, and *Southeastern Geographer*. The Basic Undergraduate Collection will gain *American Annals of the Deaf*, *Asian Perspectives*, *Journal of Folklore Research*, *Leonardo Music Journal*, *Nineteenth Century French Studies* and *positions: east asia cultures critique*. Titles new to MUSE in 2007 will also be added to the Arts & Humanities and Social Sciences collections as appropriate based upon their subject matter. Please see the MUSE web site for complete 2007 title lists for all six collections.

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UPCOMING CONFERENCES

Frankfurt Book Fair
October 4-9
Frankfurt, Germany

Charleston Library Conference
November 8-11
Charleston, SC

Online Information Conference
November 28-30
London, England

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Scholarly journals online

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Notes from ALA in New Orleans

User Group Breakfast Meeting

Thanks to all who attended the MUSE User Group Breakfast Meeting. The meeting provided an opportunity for MUSE subscribers to learn about new developments at MUSE including preliminary news about new system functionalities and pricing for the upcoming year. The MUSE staff looks forward to the Breakfast Meeting as a valuable time to not only meet subscribers but to hear first-hand your ideas for using and improving MUSE.

MUSE Hurricane Katrina Library Relief Fund Donation

Who knew there were so many librarians interested in voodoo? According to a pledge made prior to ALA, MUSE made a donation to the Hurricane Katrina Library Relief Fund based on the number of essay cards dropped off at the MUSE booth in the ALA exhibit

hall. MUSE appreciates the effort of all who took the time to drop off cards and include entertaining essays about New Orleans voodoo.

Closing Reception and Hurricane Relief Fund

MUSE would like to extend a hearty thank you to those who participated in the SupERTuesday Closing Reception sponsored by Exhibits Round Table. The theme this year was "A Day of Giving." Conference attendees who made a donation to the Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund had the opportunity to 'shop' for prizes at participating companies. Project MUSE offered a selection of New Orleans' favorite foods and coffee. We enjoyed meeting the shoppers at the MUSE booth and hope they savored the New Orleans goodies upon their return home.

New Functionality Added to Project MUSE

Project MUSE announced several forthcoming enhancements in the previous issue of MUSE News. MUSE is pleased to announce that three functionality updates previously mentioned are now active and available to subscribers.

More RSS Feeds

Project MUSE announced the implementation of RSS feed capability in July with the introduction of a feed for the latest issues of a journal. MUSE is pleased to announce the addition of two more to the list of RSS feeds available:

Upcoming Titles for 2007

Upcoming Titles for 2006

Latest Issues (existing feed)

By subscribing to Upcoming Titles for 2007 users receive direct information about new titles scheduled to be included in MUSE during the 2007 subscription year. The feed for Upcoming Titles for 2006 provides a summary list of titles that have been or will be included during the 2006 subscription year.

As an alert tool, RSS feeds are easy to subscribe to and provide users with a direct method for receiving information about their favorite journals from the over 300 journals in the MUSE collection. With the feeds providing links to the Tables of Contents, students, librarians, researchers and faculty have a valuable tool for staying current with information in their favorite titles. MUSE subscribers have direct access to the

full-text articles from the RSS feeds. Information about subscribing to the feeds is found at the Project MUSE RSS Syndication page (<http://feeds.muse.jhu.edu>).

Project MUSE Compatible with Z39.50 protocol

Project MUSE is now compliant with the Z39.50 protocol for information retrieval. The Z39.50 protocol provides another way for users to search and locate articles in MUSE using a Z39.50 compatible client. The Z39.50 functionality in MUSE is still in the beta phase and therefore, we encourage subscribers to contact us with feedback about the helpfulness of this protocol in searching and retrieving articles in MUSE. Feedback may be sent to the MUSE Customer Support desk at muse@muse.jhu.edu. An institution must maintain a Project MUSE subscription in order to access the full-text articles retrieved via the Z39.50 compatible client.

WebFeat Compatibility

Project MUSE is now searchable by the WebFeat search engine. Researchers and students may locate articles within MUSE in library systems that use the WebFeat search engine, a federated search engine used at many academic, public and government libraries. The WebFeat search engine allows a user to search any or all of a library's databases simultaneously with a single interface. MUSE is very pleased to provide subscribers who also have the WebFeat search engine operating in their libraries increased access to articles in MUSE.

New MUSE Journals for 2007

The following titles are confirmed to join MUSE's online collections in 2007.

From new publishers:

Association of Canadian College and University Teachers of English (ACCUTE)

ESC: English Studies in Canada

Canadian Ethnic Studies Association

Canadian Ethnic Studies Journal

Classical Association of Canada

Museion: Journal of the Classical Association of Canada/Revue de la Société Canadienne des études classiques.

ELT Press

English Literature in Transition, 1880-1920

Renaissance Society of America

Renaissance Quarterly

Texas Tech University Press

Conradiana

The Eighteenth Century: Theory and Interpretation

Helios

William Carlos Williams Review

University of Tulsa

James Joyce Quarterly

Tulsa Studies in Women's Literature

Washington State University

ESQ: A Journal of the American Renaissance

Western Michigan University

Comparative Drama

From current publishers:

University of Arizona

Arizona Journal of Hispanic Cultural Studies

Edinburgh University Press

Innes Review

The Johns Hopkins University Press

Sewanee Review

University of Minnesota Press

Perspectives in Vernacular Architecture

University of Wisconsin Press

Monatshefte

West Virginia University Press

Education and Treatment of Children

Journals Changing Status or Title

Subscribers to MUSE journal collections should be aware that two current titles are transitioning to archive-only status as of 2007, meaning no further issues of these titles will be contributed to the collection.

Brookings-Wharton Papers on Financial Services is ceasing publication and *Journal of Money, Credit and Banking* has been acquired by a commercial publisher.

There are also two current journals undergoing title changes. *Libraries and Culture* has changed to *Libraries and the Cultural Record* effective with Vol. 41, no. 3 (Summer 2006) and *Steinbeck Studies* will become *Steinbeck Studies and Steinbeck Review* effective spring 2007. Questions regarding journals going archive-only or changing names should be directed to the title's print publisher.

International, School and Special Libraries

MUSE's 2007 pricing for international subscribers was sent to the institutions in August. Prospective international subscribers may refer to the International Academic Pricing page at http://muse.jhu.edu/about/subscriptions/pricing_international_2007.html for pricing information.

MUSE offers special pricing for school and special libraries. For further details on this please see our Subscriptions page at http://muse.jhu.edu/about/subscriptions/pricing_nonacademic_2007.html.

All questions concerning subscription renewals may be addressed to MUSE Subscriber Services at muse@muse.jhu.edu. All MUSE subscriptions operate on a calendar year subscription term and expire on December 31.

Project MUSE Launches Server in China

Project MUSE successfully launched a new server designed to introduce MUSE content to the university community in China. Working in partnership with Hong Kong-based iGroup, MUSE's sales agent in the Asia-Pacific region, the China server was unveiled in August during the recent IFLA and World Library and Information Congress in Seoul, Republic of Korea.

With an increasing focus on developing an international presence, MUSE last year entered into an agreement with iGroup to be MUSE's exclusive sales agent in the Asia-Pacific region. The iGroup is a multinational organization serving the information and library community in the Asia-Pacific region. Registered in Hong Kong, it has offices in 13 countries across the region and specializes in providing content and solutions to a wide variety of customers in various media. Koen Meijerink, iGroup Operations General Manager was pleased to introduce the server in Seoul during the conference. "As a representative of Project MUSE in the Asia-Pacific region, the iGroup is very excited that now Project MUSE has a setup to accommodate the specific needs of the Chinese market,"

said Meijerink. "The local hosting solution is a powerful technical development, based on the eBridge technology from the iGroup. It features both an English and Chinese interface for the ease of the users. The availability of Project MUSE to the Chinese research community will satisfy the need for high-quality content in the Social Science area."

MUSE is excited to extend this service to an audience in the Asia-Pacific region that heretofore may not have had the means to offer students and scholars access to refereed, scholarly content in the humanities and social sciences. MUSE's growing collection of Asian Studies journals, including the new *Journal of Chinese Overseas*, offers researchers high-quality content from representative perspectives. The addition of the China server is good news for publishers as well as is the potential to gain access to new audiences for the journals.

The MUSE China server is not a mirror site of MUSE (as is the site in Australia) and as such has an interface intended for the audience for whom it was designed. The server is hosted at Tsinghua University in Beijing.



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PUBLISHER PROFILE

MUSE Welcomes New Partnership with University of Tulsa

Two highly regarded journals published by the University of Tulsa will be joining the Project MUSE collection in 2007. MUSE is very excited to be adding *Tulsa Studies in Women's Literature*, a journal distinguished for its research and writing in women's literature, and *James Joyce Quarterly*, the flagship journal of international Joyce studies. The publishers were dedicated to making the journals available to a wider audience, and including them in MUSE provides the exposure and ease of access they were seeking.

Tulsa Studies in Women's Literature was founded and edited by Germaine Greer in 1981. Devoted to women's literature of all periods and nationalities, the journal seeks path-breaking literary, historicist, and theoretical work by both established and emerging scholars. An award-winning journal, *Tulsa Studies* publishes articles, notes, archival research, and reviews. This journal will complement and add depth to

the already extensive collection of journals in Women's Studies in MUSE. With archive issues contained in JSTOR, MUSE users will be able to search across both collections for current and past issues of *Tulsa Studies*.

The *James Joyce Quarterly* was founded in 1963 at the University of Tulsa. As the premier journal on Joyce scholarship, each issue includes critical and theoretical work focusing on the life, work, and reception of James Joyce. The goal of *JJQ* is to provide an open, lively, and multidisciplinary forum for the international community of Joyce scholars, students, and enthusiasts. MUSE is delighted to offer literature scholars this important journal that will add to the value of MUSE's wide-ranging collection of literature journals.

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