



Jane Austen Society of North America Southwest November 2013 News

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'Mr. Collins and Charlotte were both standing at the gate in conversation with the ladies.'

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**Jane Austen in
the News!**

Pride and Prejudice: Characters We Love to Hate

Registration is open for the Winter Meeting to be held on December 7th from 9:30am to 4:30pm. This year's event will be at the elegant Town and Gown on the USC Campus, 665 Exposition Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90089.

[Click here](#) to register online for this fun-filled day that looks at all the characters we love to hate in Pride and Prejudice. You can also visit the [JASNASW Winter Meeting webpage](#) to register via regular mail.

It has been over 200 years since Jane Austen was writing in England, however she seems to still pop in the news. Here are a few stories that have been quite popular this fall!



Jane Austen cannot escape the modern approach to celebrity portraits, she too has undergone airbrushing for the new British bank note.

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Jane Austen's ring, purchased by American pop singer, Kelly Clarkson, stays in

The program includes a look at Charlotte Lucas as you may have never thought of her before by Lynda Hall, Rachel Thompson sheds some light into why Lydia behaves as she does - perhaps from no fault of her own, Sue Forgue takes us on a journey through London to track down Wickham and Lydia, followed by Amanda Bloom's examination into Wickham's spreading of misinformation, and the day will close when the Bingley sisters come to life through Liz Cooper and Syrie James.

The winter meeting will also have a host of Jane themed merchandise for your holiday shopping list or for yourself! Natasha Duquette will be on hand to sign your copies of her new book *Jane Austen and the Arts: Elegance, Propriety, and Harmony*.

Please join us for a lovely day with fellow Janeites for a delightful program, wonderful meal, and great company.

November Calendar

Sunday, November 10 from 2-4pm - FRIDAY'S CHILD by GEORGETTE HEYER with the San Fernando Valley Reading Group.

Please join the San Fernando Valley Reading Group as Terry Ryan leads the discussion on Friday's Child, a novel of the penniless Miss Hero Wantage's marriage to the wealthy Lord Sherington. The schedule for next year's readings will also be decided. For more information on the Valley Reading Group and upcoming meetings, you may call Gina Gualtieri at (818)788-4383 or email her at gmgualtieri@yahoo.com.

Saturday, November 16, 1:30pm - THE TENANT OF WILDFELL HALL by Anne Bronte with the Long Beach Reading Group

Please join the Long Beach Reading Group as they read Anne Bronte's last novel, The Tenant of Wildfell Hall. One of the most shocking of all Bronte novels, this novel was written as a series of letters from Mr. Markham to his friend

England. [Click here for the full story.](#)



Celebrity stops by Jane Austen House Museum to plant the Pride and Prejudice rose to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the novel. [Click here for more.](#)

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and brother-in-law concerning how he met his wife. For more information, email Gerda Kilgore at gskmuc@verizon.net or call her at (562) 496-4452.

Saturday, November 16, 11:30am - JANE AUSTEN: A LIFE by Claire Tomalin with the Ventura Reading Group

Please join the Ventura Reading Group to discuss Claire Tomalin's account of Jane Austen's life. The group meets at the E.P. Foster Library, 651 E. Main Street, 805-648-2715. For more information, please email Dianne Moon at dianne.moon@gmail.com.

Sunday, November 16 at 12:30pm - MASTER AND COMMANDER by Patrick O'Brien with the Orange County Reading Group.

Please join the Orange County Reading Group as they discuss Master and Commander, the first in the series of Jack Aubrey novels that establishes the friendship between Captain Aubrey, R.N., and Stephen Maturin against the backdrop of the Napoleonic wars. For information, please contact Maryann Pelensky at 949-363-1165 or email her at mairge@cox.net.

Saturday, November 23 at 11:00 am - NORTHANGER ABBEY by Jane Austen with the San Gabriel Valley Reading Group.

The San Gabriel Valley Reading Group will be discussing Austen's gothic novel, Northanger Abbey at the Hill Avenue Branch Library in Pasadena. Join in for a potluck at a new location. For more information on the meeting or the San Gabriel Valley Reading Group, email Kelly Duir at duirs@verizon.net or call her at (909) 967-6630.

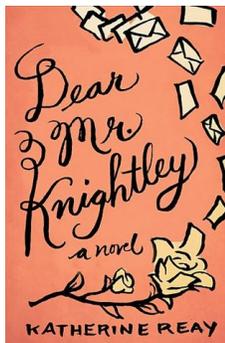
Looking ahead:

Sunday, December 1 at 5:00pm - THE LETTERS OF NANCY MITFORD AND EVELYN WAUGH edited by Charlotte Mosley with the Santa Monica Reading Group.

The Santa Monica Reading Group will be discussing The Letters of Nancy Mitford and Evelyn Waugh . Enjoy a dialogue about Nancy Mitford and Evelyn Waugh, two of the twentieth century's most amusing and gifted writers, matched wits and exchanged insults in more than five hundred letters, a continuous irreverent dialogue that stretched for twenty-two years. For more information please email Diane Birchall at birchalls@aol.com or call 310-394-2196..

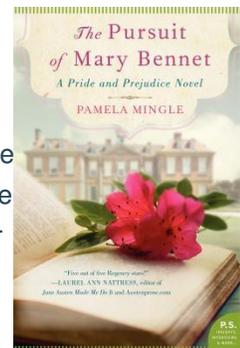
Four New Jane Austen Related Books Coming in November

Whether you like reading fiction based on Jane Austen, learning about the Regency period, or reading sequels and revisions of Jane's novels, there is something new for you in November!



Samantha Moore has always hidden behind the words of others-namely, her favorite characters in literature. Now, she will learn to write her own story-by giving that story to a complete stranger. The problem is, both her prose and conversation tend to be more Elizabeth Bennet than Samantha Moore. Released November 5.

A tale of love and marriage, society balls and courtship, class and a touch of scandal, Pamela Mingle's *The Pursuit of Mary Bennet* is a fresh take on one of the most beloved novels of all time, Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice*. Released November 26.



Dinner with Mr Darcy takes authentic recipes from the Regency period, inspired by the food that features in Austen's novels and letters, and adapts them for contemporary cooks. The text is interwoven throughout with quotes from the novels and features information on table arrangements, kitchens and gardens, and servants and service. Released November 16.

Elegance, Propriety and Harmony.

Natasha Duquette, ed.

The essays collected in *Jane Austen and the Arts; Elegance, Propriety, and Harmony* examine Austen's understanding of the arts, her aesthetic philosophy, and her role as artist. Our contributors look at Austen's engagement with diverse art forms, painting, ballet, drama, poetry, and music, investigating our topic within historically grounded and theoretically nuanced essays. Release November 15.

Reviews adapted from Amazon.com.

Jane Austen Related Events

Here are some upcoming Jane Austen and Regency Period related events happening in and around Los Angeles!

November 9 - Tickets go on sale for Jane Austen Evening

Tickets for the January 18, 2014 Jane Austen Evening held in Pasadena go on sale on November 9th. The event includes tea, dancing, and discourse on all things Jane Austen. For more information [click here.](#)

November 11 - Sense and Sensibility on the Big Screen

A screening of the 1995 version (Emma Thompson) of Sense and Sensibility will be the first of a double feature with Howard's End at the Aero theater in Santa Monica. [Click here](#) for more information and to purchase tickets.

December 13-15 and 20-22, Jane Austen Unscripted

The Impro Theater Group returns to the Broad Stage in Santa Monica to delight audiences with a one of a kind improvised play based on Jane Austen's novels. [Click here](#) for more information and to purchase tickets.

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