

BEOWULF FOR YOUNGER READERS
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, SEPTEMBER 22–23, 2016

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Session 1, 8:30–10:00, Glasscock 311

Brad Busbee, Samford University

“A Little Homer for the North”: *Beowulf* and the Grundtvigian Enlightenment of Danish Youth

Carl Edlund Anderson, Universidad de la Sabana

“He Has Come to His Adventure”: Mid-20th-Century Adaptations of *Beowulf* as Children’s Literature

Session 2, 10:15–11:45, Glasscock 311

Amber Dunai, Texas A&M University–Central Texas

Tolkien, *Beowulf*, and Faerie: Adaptations for Readers Aged “Six to Sixty”

Yvette Kisor, Ramapo College of New Jersey

Children’s *Beowulfs* for the New Tolkien Generation

Lunch break

Session 3, 1:15–2:45, Glasscock 311

Susan Signe Morrison, Texas State University

Grendel’s Mother in Fascist Italy: *Beowulf* in a Catholic Youth Publication

Robert Stanton, Boston College

The Monsters and the Animals: Theriocentric *Beowulfs*

Session 4, 3:45–5:00, LAAH 453

Britt Mize, Texas A&M University

The Practice of Adaptation for Younger Readers: An Interview with Rebecca
Barnhouse and James Rumford

Presenters' dinner, 6:00

Performance (Staged Reading), 8:00, LAAH Black Box Theater

Beowulf: A Drama of Anglo-Saxon Legend, by Percy MacKaye (c. 1899)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Session 5, 8:30–10:00, Glasscock 311

Janet Schrunk Ericksen, University of Minnesota–Morris

What We See in the Grendel Cave: Focalization in *Beowulf* for Children

Bruce Gilchrist, John Abbott College

Visualizing Femininity in Children's and Illustrated Versions of *Beowulf*



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