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**METU BRITISH NOVELISTS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE:  
WILKIE COLLINS AND HIS WORK**

**8-9 December 2022**

**Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey**

**CALL FOR PAPERS**

The Department of Foreign Language Education at Middle East Technical University is pleased to announce the call for its **26th British Novelists Conference**, the theme of which is “**Wilkie Collins and His Work.**” The conference will be held on 8-9 December 2022 in Ankara, Turkey.

The keynote speaker is **Professor Andrew Mangham** from the University of Reading, the Department of English Literature. Prof. Mangham’s research interests are the intersection between literature and medicine, the gothic, realism, ideas of sexuality and health, real crime, and popular fiction. His publications include *Literature and Medicine in the Nineteenth Century* (CUP, 2021), *The Cambridge Companion to Sensation Fiction* (CUP, 2013), and *Wilkie Collins: Interdisciplinary Essays* (Cambridge Scholars Press, 2007). Prof. Mangham is also the founder and director of the Centre for Health Humanities.

We invite proposals for 20-minute presentations on any aspect of Wilkie Collins’s work. Interdisciplinary and comparative approaches as well as studies focusing on broader topics such as Wilkie Collins’s work and the Victorian period, sensation fiction, detective fiction are also welcome. Selected papers may be considered for publication in a book volume or a journal issue.

Please send abstracts of about 250 words and a short academic bio to [bnic2022@metu.edu.tr](mailto:bnic2022@metu.edu.tr) by **16 September 2022**. Please include your name, institutional affiliation, and contact information in your submission. All submitted abstracts will go through a blind peer-review process.

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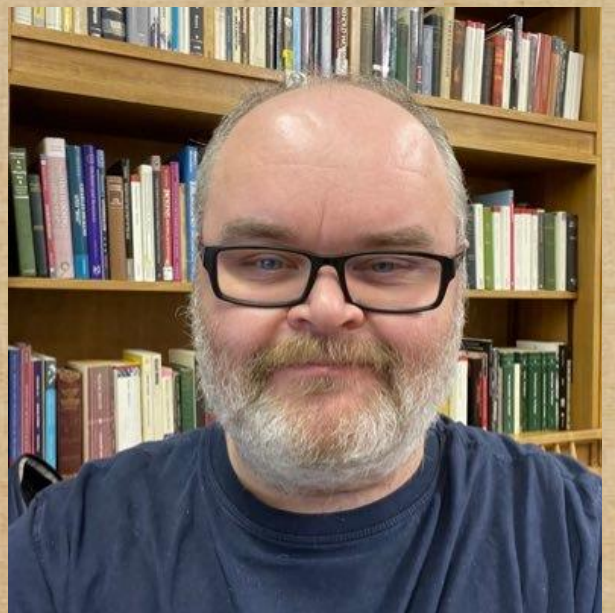
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