## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## WHITMAN SESSIONS AT ALA IN MAY 2009

Proposals are invited for two Whitman sessions at the annual meeting of the American Literature Association, to be held in San Francisco, California, May 27-30, 2010. Since 2010 will be the sesquicentennial of the 1860 edition of Leaves of Grass, at least one of the panels will be devoted to papers dealing with some aspect of that edition of Leaves. If enough high-quality proposals are received focusing on the 1860 Leaves, both sessions may be devoted to that edition; otherwise, the second session will be open to any Whitman-related topics. Each session will consist of three papers, each twenty minutes long. Interested scholars should submit a one-page proposal (with a title), along with a current CV, to Ed Folsom (ed-folsom@uiowa.edu) by December 15, 2009. Decisions will be made by mid-January, and applicants will be informed as soon as decisions are made. Information about the American Literature Association and about the 2010 conference is available at the ALA website (http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/english/ala2/).

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