

CALL FOR PAPERS



ALL THAT IS GOLD

The Mythopoeic Society is launching into a series of 50th anniversaries—of the founding of the Society in 1917, of the conception and launch of our scholarly journal *Mythlore* in 2018, and of our first society conference in 2019. For the fiftieth anniversary of our Society, we would like to see papers and panels relating to gold, and to celebrate the work of our Guests of Honor, to the gold that can be found through library and archival research. As always, papers on any topic relating to J.R.R. Tolkien, C.S. Lewis, Charles Williams, and mythopoeic fantasy in general, not just our theme, are welcome as well.

GOLD IN FANTASY:

- Greed for gold: Tolkien's dwarves and gold lust, economic systems in fantasy and fantasy gaming
- Gold as a color: color symbolism in fantasy and heraldry
- Gold as an element, and other fantastic elements and materials like mithril, octarine, meteorite metal, unobtainium, or the list of semi-precious gems in Tolkien's "Errantry"
- The Golden Age—in fantasy and myth, of fantasy as a genre

DIGGING FOR GOLD IN THE ARCHIVES:

- Primary and secondary materials about the Inklings and other fantasy authors in the archives at Marquette University, the Wade Center, Oxford University, and other locations
- Fan material and society archives
- Materials in collections at the University of Illinois, especially the Center for Children's Books
- Archives, libraries, writing, and research IN fantasy

July 28-31, 2017, in Champaign, Illinois

<http://www.mythcon.org>

GUESTS OF HONOR:

- William Fliss, Archivist at the Marquette University Special Collections and Archives
- Laura Schmidt, Archivist at the Marion E. Wade Center at Wheaton College

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