

Literary Institutions Chart

This custom planning chart presents the key institutions and parties associated with the creation, study, promotion, and use of literature and literary culture. It serves as a planning and scoping tool for the development of The Walker Percy Project.

Literary Entity	What do they do?	Relevant Organizations
<i>Department of English (Higher Ed)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaches humanities content, critical thinking, reading skills to students • Supports scholarship and research of its faculty • Sponsors and promotes literary events of interest to the larger (university) community 	UNC-Chapel Hill Loyola University, New Orleans University of Texas at Austin
<i>Literary/Research/ Humanities Center</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serves as repository of manuscripts, drafts, correspondence, artifacts, etc. • Often focused around particular author collections • Sponsors periodic events and expositions of interest to public 	Center for the Study of Southern Culture at Univ. of MS
<i>Scholarly Society</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizes conferences, calls for-papers, panels • Publishes newsletters, bibliographies • Gives awards for merit and service • Sponsors and organizes writing of anthologies 	Walker Percy Society Society for the Study of Southern Literature American Literature Association Model Language Association
<i>Scholarly Conference</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides opportunities for scholars to share their work at readings, sometimes collectively published later • Allows for networking with others and their ideas • Offers panel / group discussions 	Modern Language Association American Literature Assoc. Society for the Study of Southern Literature

<i>Professional Journal</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publishes scholarly essays, book reviews, photographs • Prepares Special Topics issues 	Southern Review Southern Quarterly
<i>University Press</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publishes book-length criticism, essay collections, photograph collections, encyclopedia, interview series • Sponsors events 	LSU Press Univ. Press of MS Univ. of North Carolina Press
<i>Commercial Press</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sells novels, poetry, biographies • Sells educational resources, textbooks • Sponsors events 	Farrar, Straus, and Giroux Faust Publishing
<i>Literary Festival</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrates a writer or writers • Stages panel discussions, public lectures, walking tours, dramatic readings, theatrical performances, book fair, master class/ workshops, video screenings, musical performances 	Eudora Welty Festival Tennessee Williams Festival NC Festival of the Book
<i>Symposium</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizes speakers and presentations for general public by scholars, friends, archivists • Provides tours, dramatic readings, book displays, reception • Presents photographic exhibits 	Walker Percy Symposium
<i>Library</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offers books and research materials to the public • Houses special collections • Provides reference librarian 	LSU, UNC, Loyola, UT academic libraries
<i>Bookstore</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stocks, orders, and sells books • Offers special editions for sale • Hosts readings and book signings 	Amazon Books Maple Street Book Shop, New Orleans, LA

<i>Video Documentary / Stage play or Movie adaptation</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research and write adaptations • Engages content specialists in production activities • Often associated with PBS (national) or a particular theater (local) 	Ross Spears Tom Key Terence Malick
<i>Literary Magazine</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publishes excerpts, short stories, poems, reviews for popular audience 	Harpers New Yorker Oxford American
<i>Humanities Endowment/ Business Sponsors</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides funding for cultural organizations • Businesses often get a return on publicity 	Faust Publishing Interactive Architex Grantors

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