A Trio of Southern Voices: Three Women Writers Basic Reading Syllabus

(all readings are on the class site in PDF copies)

November 5: Introduction to Eudora Welty's "South"

Readings: "Lily Daw and the Three Ladies"

"Why I Live at the P.O."

November 12: Welty and Race

Readings: "Must the Novelist Crusade?" (essay)

"Powerhouse" "A Worn Path"

"Where is the Voice Coming From?"

November 19: O'Connor's Misfits and the Grotesque

Readings: "A Good Man is Hard to Find"

"Good Country People"
"The Displaced Person"

December 3: Spiritual Blindness, Humiliation, and Grace

Readings: "Everything That Rises Must Converge"

"Revelation"

December 10: Their Eyes Were Watching God, Chapters 1-12

December 17: Their Eyes Were Watching God, Chapters 13-the end

AUDIO RESOURCES

Eudora Welty:

Welty reading:

Library of Congress recordings: https://www.loc.gov/item/93843031/?loclr=blogpoe

"Eudora Welty reading three short stories" (1958).

"Ladies in Spring," "A Worn Path" (30:30), "Lily Daw and the Three Ladies" (48:10)

Welty reading:

"A Worn Path" https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UIPJbEkth5M

"Why I Live at the PO" https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DeZTYQL4sW0

Essential Welty: an Audible recording available through Amazon for \$7.19

"Why I live at the P.O.," "Powerhouse," and "Petrified Man"

Flannery O'Connor:

O'Connor reading:

"A Good Man is Hard to Find" https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sQT7y4L5aKU

A Good Man is Hard to Find and Everything That Rises Must Converge available on Audiobook at Audible.com not O'Connor reading

Zora Neale Hurston:

Their Eyes Were Watching God read by Ruby Dee, available on Audiobook or YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bp0eJmBm740