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Two Centuries of the *North American Review*

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The *North American Review*, the oldest and one of the most important literary magazines in the United States, will celebrate its bicentennial by hosting a conference on June 11-13, 2015 on the University of Northern Iowa campus (where it has been housed since 1968).

Members of the campus community are invited to get involved with the conference by presenting on panels or roundtables. Esteemed keynote speakers, fiction writer [Steven Schwartz](#), memoirist [Patricia Hampl](#), and poet [Martín Espada](#), will be giving evening readings as well. Founded in Boston in 1815, the *North American Review* has published presidents, laureates, Pulitzer Prize winners, and countless other notable U.S. and international contributors--pages that offer a unique and enlightening history of the United States.

English Professors Vince Gotera and Grant Tracey took over the editorial reins in 2000 from Professor Emeritus Robley Wilson. They have continued to publish exciting work from new and established writers, and transformed the magazine into a thriving laboratory where students gain real-world, hands-on experience in the world of literary editing and publishing.

To learn more about the magazine's history or become involved with the bicentennial conference, contact English Associate Professor and *NAR* Associate Editor Jeremy Schraffenberger at jeremy.schraffenberger@uni.edu.

More details about the magazine and the conference can be found on its [Wordpress website](#) and its [website](#).



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