## **Forthcoming conferences**

If there are any events happening in your area with a literary theme, do let us know and we will be happy to publicize the event here. After events have taken place we welcome write-ups from those presenting, plus conference reports from attendees.

## **JALT National Conference**

Date: Saturday, October 12 – Monday, October 15 2012

Location: ACT City, Hamamatsu

Fee: TBC

The LiLT FORUM will have three presentations this year on: using poetry in the EFL class, a discussion of pedagogy accompanied by many ideas for classroom practice; literature classes to promote critical thinking and discussion skills in mixed ability, mixed major classes at Akita International University; and the pedagogical decisions informing choices of texts and accompanying activities in a proposed new textbook, 'An Introduction to Literature'. Open discussion follows the presentations.

## World Storytelling Conference: Repositioning Literary Texts in ELT

Date: Friday November 30 - Monday December 2 2012

Location: Kobe City University of Foreign Studies

Fee: Free!

This conference is a great opportunity for teachers, researchers, performers and practitioners to meet and share their perspectives on how literary texts can best be integrated into English Language Teaching (ELT).

The conference is supported by JSPS (Japan Society for the Promotion of Science), GSELER (Graduate School of English Language Education and Research) at Kobe City University of Foreign Studies, with assistance from JALT groups including LiLT.

Teachers, Researchers, Performers and anyone interested in the use of literary texts in English Language Teaching are welcome to submit a proposal to present a paper, workshop, panel, poster, or performance at the conference.

Deadline for proposals: July 31, 2012.

For more details, including submissions information, see the website: <a href="http://wstcjapan.wordpress.com/">http://wstcjapan.wordpress.com/</a>