

**LECTURES COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2009-2010**

Role of the Committee

The Lectures Committee (www.secfac.wisc.edu/lectures/lectcomm/) supports departments, academic programs and student organizations that bring distinguished lecturers to the UW-Madison campus. These university-wide lectures are intended to enrich the general intellectual and cultural life of the university community. The committee itself does not initiate lecture arrangements. Rather, it receives and acts on requests from eligible university groups that are interested in inviting outstanding speakers to the campus.

Supported Lectures

During the 2009-2010 academic year, the committee received a total of 67 applications for lecture support, 65 of which were supported, 1 was denied and 1 was canceled. Appendix A presents information for each supported lecture; lectures are listed alphabetically by the lecture's primary sponsoring unit.

The 65 supported applications drew a combined reported attendance of 5,872 persons, with a mean of 89 attendees per lecture. Lectures were sponsored by a total of 56 different campus units. The typical lecture had 1 to 5 co-sponsoring units, in addition to the primary sponsor.

The committee's total expenditures for the year were \$60,775.42. Of this sum, \$58,813.81 (97%) was paid directly to lecturers as honoraria or to reimburse travel and per diem expenses, and \$1,961.61 (3%) paid for lecture administrative costs (i.e., postage, printing and poster distribution).

Comparisons with Recent Years

The table below compares committee activity from the most recent five years. The number of applications received and supported was down by 6 from the previous 2008-2009 year, 1 lecture was denied and 1 lecture withdrew in 2009-2010. The highest level of applications received in the past five years was in 2006-2007 when the level was 95. The mean reported lecture attendance was up slightly from recent years (except for 2007-08). The mean lecture cost remained at historical levels.

	<u>2009-10</u>	<u>2008-09</u>	<u>2007-08</u>	<u>2006-07</u>	<u>2005-06</u>
Number of applications received	67	75	78	95	69
Number of applications supported	65	71	71	88	62
Mean reported lecture attendance	89	75	89	87	75
Number of different sponsoring units	56	62	65	71	51
Mean number of co-sponsoring units	3.1	2.9	3.5	2.9	3.0
Mean lecture cost	\$927	\$845	\$890	\$895	\$918

Recognition of Support

We gratefully acknowledge sources of financial support for university-wide lectures. For direct funding of lectures, the Anonymous Fund provided \$18,280.06; the Kemper K. Knapp Bequest provided \$19,355.65. The Office of the Chancellor provided from the General University Fund \$21,178.10 for direct funding of lectures and \$1,961.61 for lecture administrative costs.

Lastly, the committee continues to welcome suggestions regarding use of the William K. Fitch Fund, which is available “to bring to Madison prominent business people to give lectures on the American free-enterprise system.” None of the committee’s supported lectures during 2009-2010 met the criteria necessary to draw from this fund. The balance of this fund continues to accrue; the market value at the end of the 2009-2010 academic year was \$171,264.53.

2009-2010 LECTURES COMMITTEE

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Appendix A

2009-2010 Lectures by Sponsoring Unit

Sponsoring Unit (# of co-sponsors)	Date	Attendance
1. African Studies Program (3) Finnstrom, Sverker, Senior Lecturer, Department of Social Anthropology, Stockholm University “Bad Surroundings and Beyond: The Eye of the Storm and Unfinished Realities of Northern Uganda”	3/23/2010	80
2. Agroecology Program (6) Campbell, Hugh, Associate Professor of Anthropology and Director of the Centre for the Study of Agriculture, Food, and Environment, University of Otago “Growing Food and Knowing Food: The Traceability of Sustainability”	11/4/2009	50
3. Agroecology Program (3) Jordan, Nicholas, Professor of Agronomy, Department of Agronomy and Plant Genetics, University of Minnesota “Can Rotational-Grazing Dairy Farms Really Balance Production and Conservation?”	5/6/2010	55
4. Anthropology, Department of (1) Craddock, Paul Terrence, Ph.D., Emeritus Researcher, British Museum, Department of Conservation, Documentation and Scientific Research “Scientific Authentication and the Examination of Looted Antiquities”	11/19/2009	64
5. Applied Linguistics Student Association (4) Preston, Dennis, Professor, English Department of the Oklahoma State University “Dennis Preston on Cognitive Foundations of Language Regard”	4/29/2010	45
6. Art, Department of (4) Blazevic, Marin, Assistant Professor, Department of Dramaturgy, Academy of Arts, University of Zagreb, Croatia “Shifting Dramaturgy”	2/4/2010	50
7. Art History Graduate Forum (4) Jung, Jacqueline E., Assistant Professor of Medieval Art and Architecture, Department of Art History, Yale University “The Tactile and the Visionary: Notes on the Place of Sculpture in the Medieval Religious Imagination”	9/24/2009	40
8. Arts Enterprise - UW-Madison Student Chapter (1) Schwab, Jacqueline, Pianist and Lecturer “Marching to Your Own Pianist”	3/3/2010	13
9. Asian American Studies Program (5) Duffy, John, Associate Professor, Francis O’Malley Director of the University Writing Program, Department of English, University of Notre Dame “The Reaches of Literacy: Hmong-American Reading and Writing”	4/19/2010	100

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| 10. Botany, Department of (3) | 3/25/2010 | 129 |
| Brown, James, Distinguished Professor, Department of Biology, University of New Mexico, Director of Programs in Biomedical and Biological Sciences
“The Metabolic Basis of Ecology” | | |
| 11. Celtic Studies Program (3) | 10/1/2009 | 33 |
| Howes, Marjorie, Associate Professor of English, Boston College
“Slavery and the Irish in the Atlantic World: 1840–1880” | | |
| 12. Chazen Museum of Art (1) | 9/11/2009 | 156 |
| Dehejia, Vidya, Barbara Stoler Miller Professor of Indian and South Asian Art, Columbia University
“Whose Taste? Indian Silver for the Raj” | | |
| 13. Chican@ and Latin@ Studies Program (4) | 4/30/2010 | 28 |
| Potowski, Kim, Associate Professor of Spanish, Director of Spanish for Native Speakers Program, University of Illinois at Chicago
“Latin@ Studies and Spanish Linguistics: Beneficial Connections” | | |
| 14. Classics, Department of (1) | 11/5/2009 | 55 |
| Acosta-Hughes, Benjamin, Professor, Ohio State University
“Between Inspiration and Aesthetics: Apollonius, Callimachus and their Muses” | | |
| 15. Classics Graduate Forum (1) | 10/3/2009 | 48 |
| Johnston, Sarah Iles, Professor of Greek and Latin, Director of the Center for the Study of Religion, The Ohio State University
“Living with the Dead: Invitations and Admonitions” | | |
| 16. Classics Society (1) | 4/22/2010 | 60 |
| Fagan, Garrett, Associate Professor, Pennsylvania State University
“Roman Arenas and Crowd Dynamics” | | |
| 17. Climatic Research, Center for (6) | 2/12/2010 | 100 |
| Dugmore, Andrew, Professor of Geosciences, Institute of Geography, School of GeoSciences, University of Edinburgh
“Well-Adapted but Still Extinct: Lessons in Human Ecodynamics from the Viking Settlement of the North Atlantic” | | |
| 18. College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (3) | 4/23/2010 | 288 |
| McGovern, George, Former U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative and Democratic Presidential Nominee
“UW-Madison Food Summit” | | |
| 19. Communication Arts, Department of (2) | 4/16/2010 | 57 |
| Morley, David, Professor of Communications, Department of Media and Communications, Goldsmith’s College, University of London, New Cross
“After Globalization: The End of Geography?” | | |
| 20. Community and Environmental Sociology, Department of (4) | 4/30/2010 | 40 |
| Fernandez-Kelly, Patricia, Senior Lecturer and Research Associate, Department of Sociology, Office of Population Research, Princeton University
“The Back Pocket Map: Memory and Achievement Among Children of Immigrants in the United States” | | |

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| 21. Curriculum and Instruction, Department of (3)
Parker, Walter, Professor, College of Education, University of Washington
“ ‘Global Citizens,’ ‘International Education’: What’s in a Name?” | 4/8/2010 | 44 |
| 22. East Asian Languages and Literature, Department of (2)
Swatek, Catherine, Associate Professor, Department of Asian Studies, University of British Columbia
“Beating the Officers and Cursing the Manchus: Dialect and Humor in Classical Kun Opera” | 3/8/2010 | 15 |
| 23. East Asian Studies, Center for (3)
Bachman, David, Professor, Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington
“China, Russia, North Korea: Post-Socialist Transitions and the Military” | 9/10/2009 | 53 |
| 24. East Asian Studies, Center for (2)
Vaporis, Constantine, Professor, Department of History, University of Maryland
“Japan as ‘Samurai Nation’” | 4/29/2010 | 58 |
| 25. Eye Research Institute (5)
Palmer, Stephen E., Professor, Department of Psychology, University of California, Berkeley
“Aesthetics in Vision Science: Understanding Preferences for Color” | 10/8/2009 | 110 |
| 26. Forest and Wildlife Ecology, Department of (1)
Mahoney, Shane, Executive Director of Science, Newfoundland and Labrador Department of Tourism, Culture and Recreation
“Maintaining Public Trust in the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation” | 4/20/2010 | 150 |
| 27. General Library System (3)
Mohammad, K. Silem, Assistant Professor, Southern Oregon University
“Explicit Lyrics: A Poetry Reading by K. Silem Mohammad” | 10/15/2009 | 40 |
| 28. General Library System (4)
Kim, Myung Mi, Professor of English and Director of the Poetics Program, English Department, University at Buffalo
“Poetry at the Boundary: A Reading by Myung Mi Kim” | 4/8/2010 | 50 |
| 29. Geography, Department of (1)
Bakker, Karen, Associate Professor, Department of Geography, University of British Columbia
“The Limits of ‘Neoliberal Nature’: Reflections on Post-Neoliberalism and the ‘End of Nature’” | 10/23/2009 | 87 |
| 30. Geography, Department of (2)
Domosh, Mona, Professor, Department of Geography, Dartmouth College
“The World was Never Flat: Early Global Encounters and the Messiness of Empire” | 2/19/2010 | 98 |
| 31. German and Dutch Graduate Student Association (3)
Kramsch, Claire, Professor of German and Foreign Language Acquisition, University of California, Berkeley
“e.g., German: Language Departments as Privileged Sites for the Study of Meaning” | 3/19/2010 | 80 |

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| 32. Global Legal Studies, Center for (1)
Engel, David, SUNY Distinguished Service Professor, University of Buffalo Law School, New York
"Rootless Justice: Law and Everyday Life in Northern Thailand" | 4/23/2010 | 120 |
| 33. Graduate Association of French and Italian Students (3)
Rachedi, Mabrouck, Writer
"Redefining Spaces: Going beyond Assigned Spatial Identity. Rencontre avec Mabrouck Rachedi" | 10/23/2009 | 40 |
| 34. Hebrew and Semitic Studies, Department of (1)
Perdue, Leo, Professor of Hebrew Bible, Brite Divinity School
"The Mantic Sage in the Bible and the Ancient Near East: Did the Sages Tell the Future?" | 11/10/2009 | 82 |
| 35. Hebrew and Semitic Studies, Department of (1)
Master, Daniel M., Associate Professor, Wheaton College
"All the Merchants are Silenced: Economy at the End of the Kingdom of Judah" | 4/27/2010 | 149 |
| 36. Helen Louise Allen Textile Collection (1)
Brown, Susan, Assistant Curator of Textiles, Cooper-Hewitt, National Design Museum
"Felt: The Most Ancient Modern Material" | 3/25/2010 | 140 |
| 37. History of Print Culture in Modern America, Center for the (6)
Passet, Joanne E., Professor, Indiana University
"Shattering the Silence: Jeanette Howard Foster and the Writing of Sex-Variant Women In Literature" | 10/12/2009 | 47 |
| 38. History of Science, Department of (4)
Heilbron, John L., Professor Emeritus, University of California, Berkeley; Senior Research Fellow,
Worcester College
"Don Quixote among the Stars: Galileo Transformed by his Telescope" | 11/17/2009 | 76 |
| 39. Holtz Center for Science and Technology Studies (3)
Gillespie, Tarleton, Assistant Professor, Department of Communication, Cornell University
"The Politics of Internet Platforms: How Sites Like You Tube Are Shaping Information Policy and
Public Discourse" | 11/12/2009 | 39 |
| 40. Human Development and Family Studies, Department of (3)
Oswald, Ramona Faith, Associate Professor, Department of Human and Community Development,
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
"Living in Place: The Importance of Community Context for LGBT Individuals and Their Families" | 4/15/2010 | 42 |
| 41. Humanities, Center for (4)
Eggers, Dave, Author
"An Evening with Dave Eggers and Valentino Achak Deng" | 11/4/2009 | 350 |
| 42. Humanities, Center for (1)
Abani, Chris, Author, The Lavin Agency
"Things Fall Apart in Wisconsin" | 4/13/2010 | 650 |

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43. Korean Student and Scholar Association (2) 4/23/2010 97
Buswell, Robert, Distinguished Professor of Buddhist Studies, Director, Center for Buddhist Studies,
University of California, Los Angeles
“Korean Buddhist Journeys to Lands Worldly and Otherworldly”
44. La Follette School of Public Affairs (3) 9/3/2009 90
Koning, Petrus Wilhelmus Cornelis (Pierre), Professor, Delft University of Technology, and Program
Leader, Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policy Analysis
“Measuring the Effects of Education on Smoking Behavior: Evidence from Twin Data”
45. Medieval Studies Program (4) 3/5/2010 60
Palazzo, Eric, Professor, Art History, Centre d’Etudes Superieures de Civilization Medievale, Poitiers
“Art, Liturgy and the Five senses in the Early Middle ages: New Approaches”
46. Morgridge Center for Public Service (1) 4/9/2010 90
Nyden, Philip, Director, Center for Urban Research and Learning, Loyola University
“The Loyola University Center for Urban Research and Learning: How Community Partnerships are
Maximized using the Science Shop Model”
47. Music, School of (1) 11/6/2009 130
Pasler, Jann, Professor of Music, University of California, San Diego
“The Dynamics of Identity in Fin-de-Siècle French Music”
48. Music, School of (2) 3/12/2010 75
Kane, Brian, Assistant Professor, Department of Music Theory, Yale University
“Listening to ‘The Burrow’: Kafka and Acousmatic Sound”
49. Philosophy, Department of (1) 2/19/2010 42
Levine, Peter, Research Director of the Jonathan M. Tisch College of Citizenship, Tufts University
“The Obama Administration’s Civic Agenda”
50. Political Science, Department of (1) 4/28/2010 50
Reno, William, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Northwestern University
“The Evolution of Warfare in Independent Africa”
51. Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia, Center for (1) 3/11/2010 50
Senelick, Laurence, Fletcher Professor of Oratory, Department of Drama and Dance, Tufts University
“Anton Chekhov: The Ups and Downs of a Playwright’s Reputation”
52. Scandinavian Studies, Department of (1) 10/8/2009 35
Nordlund, Harriet, Artistic and Theatre Manager, Beavivvás Sámi Theatre
“Creating an Indigenous Voice in a Contemporary Nordic Context: The Beavivvás Sámi Theatre”
53. Slavic Languages and Literature, Department of (1) 10/16/2009 30
Frajlich-Zajac, Anna, Senior Lecturer in Polish, Columbia University
“The Ghost of Shakespeare in Szymborska”
54. Slavic Languages and Literature, Department of (2) 3/3/2010 35
Hunt, Priscilla, Five College Research Associate, University of Massachusetts-Amherst
“The Life of Andrew the Fool: Poetics as the Path to Knowledge in Byzantino-Russian Tradition”

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55. Social Work, School of (2)	4/22/2010	120
Brekke, John, Frances Larson Professor of Social Work Research, School of Social Work, University of Southern California		
"The Brain and the Social Environment: How Cognitive Functioning Interacts with Psychosocial Treatment to Improve Functioning in Schizophrenia"		
56. South Asia, Center for (1)	11/12/2009	50
Linrothe, Robert, Associate Professor, Art History, Skidmore College		
"Anxious Fascination: Yogis in Mughal, Company, and Raj-Period Paintings and Photographs"		
57. Spanish and Portuguese, Department of (4)	5/10/2010	48
Wright, Roger, Emeritus Professor, University of Liverpool		
"Old Spanish in Muslim Spain: the African Connection"		
58. Theatre and Drama, Department of (3)	2/5/2010	55
Walsh, Paul, Associate Professor of Dramaturgy and Dramatic Criticism, Yale School of Drama		
"A Classical Dramaturg in a Post-Modern World"		
59. University of Wisconsin Press (2)	10/7/2009	25
Bergman, David, Professor of English, Author, Editor, Poet, and Literary Critic		
"Do We Need a Queer Literature?"		
60. Visual Culture Student Focus Group (6)	4/8/2010	55
Noë, Alva, Professor of Philosophy, University of California, Berkeley		
"See Me if You Can! Philosophy, Performance, and the Aesthetics of Personal Being"		
61. Wisconsin Ecology (8)	10/8/2009	262
Revkin, Andrew C., Reporter on Global Environmental Issues, New York Times		
"9 Billion People + 1 Planet = ?"		
62. Wisconsin Ecology (9)		
Ehrenfeld, Joan G., Professor, Department of Ecology, Evolution and Natural Resources, Rutgers University		
"Understanding Plant Invasions in Fragmented Landscapes"		4/15/2010 77
"Invasive Plants, Soils and Ecosystem Processes: What Have We Learned Learned So Far?"		4/16/2010 72
63. Wisconsin International Law Journal (1)	4/23/2010	100
Burbank, Jane, Professor of History, New York University		
"Rights of the Ruled: Legal Activism in Imperial Russia"		
64. Wisconsin National Primate Research Center (2)	7/2/2009	150
Rollin, Bernard E., Distinguished Professor of Philosophy, Colorado State University		
"Emerging Social Ethics for Animals: Animal Rights as a Mainstream Phenomenon"		
65. Women in Science and Engineering Leadership Institute (3)	10/2/2009	63
Williams, Joan, 1066 Foundation Chair and Distinguished Professor of Law, University of California Hastings School of Law		
"The Flexibility Stigma: How to Make Flexibility Policies Truly Usable"		