

## Conference Program: Robinson Jeffers and the Environment

### Sunday, October 9

9:30-9:50: Welcome / Coffee

#### 10:00-11:20: Panel I

"Jeffers's Use of Nature as a Ground for Cultural Critique," Peter Quigley, University of Tromso, Norway

"Robinson Jeffers's Influence on Edward Abbey: Imagining Jeffers at the Center instead of the Margin," David Morris, University of Washington, Tacoma

"Inhumanist Emergence," Bill Hotchkiss

Chair: James Karman, California State University, Chico

#### 11:30-12:50: Panel II

"'The incredible beauty of joy': Robinson Jeffers and the Legacy of Romanticism," David Rothman, Crested Butte Academy

"William Blake and Robinson Jeffers: Poets of Apocalypse," Steve Adkison, University of Nevada, Reno

"'Both these nothings': Robinson Jeffers, Robert Hass," David Sullivan, University of California, Irvine

Chair: Tim Hunt, Washington State University, Vancouver

Break

#### 2:00-3:20: Panel III

"Helen Thurso's 'Image-Making Mind': Consciousness and Gender in 'Thurso's Landing,'" Nicolas Witschi, University of Oregon

"Jeffers, Archetype, and Indians," Kevin Hearle

"Some Unpublished Jeffers Poems with Early Biographical References," Robb Kafka, UCLA Extension

Chair: Alex Vardamis, University of Vermont

#### 3:30-4:50: Panel IV

"Robinson Jeffers and the California Sublime," Robert Zaller, Drexel University

"A Threshold of Stone and Words," Kirk Glaser

"The Ecology of Dwelling: Human Habitation/Desecration and the Building of Tor House," Robert Brophy, California State University, Long Beach

Chair: Terry Beers, Santa Clara University

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10:00-11:20: Membership Meeting

Tim Hunt, Washington State University, Vancouver, RJA President  
Terry Beers, Santa Clara University, RJA Executive Director

11:30-12:50: Panel V

“The Sun Proceeds Unmoved’: Dickinson's Circumference and Jeffers's Inhumanism,” Fred White, Santa Clara University

“Robinson Jeffers as Postapocalyptic Thoreau: A New Way of Seeing Inhumanism,” ShaunAnne Tangney, University of Nevada, Reno

“Robinson Jeffers's Two Isms: Inhumanism and Transhumanism,” Rodney Aitchtey

Chair: Robert Brophy, California State University, Long Beach

Break

2:00-3:20: Panel VI

“Jeffers Critical Reputation with the Environmentalists,” Alex Vardamis, University of Vermont

“Robinson Jeffers and the Deep Ecologists,” James Baird, University of North Texas

“Nature and Human Nature in Robinson Jeffers: The Question of Validity,” E. J. Shoben  
Chair: Robert Zaller, Drexel University

3:30-4:50: “The Lost Years, Robinson Jeffers, 1917-1920”

*(Discussion of previously unpublished poems. Copies will be available prior to the session.)*

Tim Hunt, Washington State University, Vancouver  
Albert Gelpi, Stanford University

5:00-6:30: RJA Conference Reception

Spinning Wheel Inn, Monte Verde Street, between Ocean and 7th

