



**ROBINSON  
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ASSOCIATION**

# RJA Conference Program

## Keynote Address by Dana Gioia

*The fourth conference of the Robinson Jeffers Association will be held in Carmel, California, February 14-15, at the Scout House, located on the northeast corner of Mission and 8th Streets near downtown Carmel. Limited parking is available on the street and a pay parking lot is located on the opposite corner.*

*Participants in the conference may register by sending a \$30.00 check or money order (made out to Santa Clara University) to: Terry Beers, English Dept., Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA 95053. (For your convenience, feel free to cut out or copy the registration form appearing on the other side of this program.)*

### Saturday, Feb. 14

9:00 A.M Coffee

9:15 Welcome and Introductions

Robert Zaller, *President, Robinson Jeffers Association*

9:30-10:30 Panel 1

Jim Baird, *University of North Texas, Denton*

"Jeffers, Vonnegut, and Pynchon: Their Philosophy and Fates"

Peter Quigley, *Embry Riddle University*

"Fire, Change and Torture: Jeffers' Assessment of Good and Evil in 'Apology for Bad Dreams'"

Chair: Robert Brophy, *Calif. State University, Long Beach*

10:45-12:00 Discussion Session: *Robinson Jeffers and Religion*

David Rothman, *Western State College of Colorado*

Fred White, *Santa Clara University*

James Karman, *Calif. State University, Chico*

Alex Vardamis, *University of Vermont*

Chair: Tim Hunt, *Washington State University, Vancouver*

Lunch

1:30-2:30 Panel 2

Alan Malnar

"The Influence of Falconry on the Poetry of Robinson Jeffers"

Richard Kohlman Hughey

"Jeffers' Use of History and Myth in *Descent to the Dead*: 'Shane O'Neill's Cairn' and 'Ossian's Grave'"

Chair: Rob Kafka, *UCLA Extension*

2:45-3:45 Poetry Reading

Kevin Hearle

Christian Kiefer, *Calif. State University, Sacramento*

Grant Hier, *Calif. State University, Long Beach*

Chair: Bill Costley

4:00 Keynote Address

Dana Gioia

### Sunday, Feb 15

9:00 Coffee

9:30-10:45 RJA Business Meeting

11:00-12:15 Discussion Session: *Robinson Jeffers' "Apology for Bad Dreams"*

Robert Brophy, *Calif. State University, Long Beach*

Kirk Glaser, *Santa Clara University*

Bill Costley

Christian Kiefer, *Calif. State University, Sacramento*

Chair: James Karman, *Calif. State University, Chico*

Lunch

1:30-2:45 Panel 3

Tim Hunt, *Washington State University, Vancouver*

"The Splintered Mirror: Jeffers and the Burden of Romanticism"

Robert Zaller, *Drexel University*

"Jeffers' Heavenly Meditations"

Kevin Hearle

"Everson and the Problem of the Christian Disciple:

'Tamar' as Test Case"

Chair: Peter Quigley, *Embry Riddle University*

3:00 Jeffers Greek Women

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4:00 Reception