

## Robinson Jeffers Association Survey Results—Spring 2019

1. How long have you been a member of RJA?

- 0–5 years (9)
- 6–10 years (20)
- 11–20 years (14)
- 21–30 years (9)

2. Which of these best describes your background?

- General reader (20)
- Student (0)
- Teacher or professor (20)
- Writer (12)

3. Why did you join RJA?

- In order to be with people who share my interest in Jeffers (29)
- Belonging to RJA is important to my academic identity and career (0)
- For opportunities to share my research and learn from other scholars (3)
- All of the above (11)
- Other (8)

4. Which of these best describes your interest in the annual conference?

- I often attend and typically present a paper (8)
- I often attend but don't typically present a paper (12)
- I sometimes attend (12)
- I rarely attend (8)
- I never attend (1)

5. In what way or ways are you interested in participating in RJA programs and projects (please check as many as apply)?

- Helping to manage the website (3)
- Developing content for the website (8)
- Helping plan and conduct the annual conference (9)
- Helping with *Jeffers Studies* (11)
- Contributing to *Jeffers Studies* (16)
- Serving on the RJA Advisory Board or as an officer (11)

6. If you write about Jeffers, how often do you submit material to *Jeffers Studies* (whether or not your work is ultimately selected)?

- On a regular basis (1)
- Now and then (8)
- Rarely (8)
- Never (32)

7. Do you belong to other organizations hospitable to Jeffers?

Yes (27)

No (23)

8. What do you value most about RJA?

Intellectual stimulation across disciplines

Fellowship with wonderful colleagues

Commitment to honoring and disseminating scholarship on Jeffers

The annual conference

*Jeffers Studies*

9. What do you value least about RJA?

Lack of outreach both within academia and beyond

Declining interest among some members

Lack of commitment to RJA's core values

The conference is usually in California

*Jeffers Studies*

10. In your opinion, how can RJA be strengthened and improved?

Get more young people involved

More communication with members

Renewing scholarly roots

The website needs to be strengthened

*Jeffers Studies* needs to come out regularly and reliably