University Lectures Committee
Annual Report
2005-2006

During the 2005-2006 academic year the University Lectures Committee sponsored three University Lectures per semester, and also supported 3 Conferences. Recently, the Committee approved several Lectures for the 2006-2007 academic year, including four Messenger Lectureships. We note that the number of nominations has notably increased, probably due to the new advertisement brochure that the Committee prepared.

Fall 2005 Sponsored Events

Timothy Clutton-Brock, Professor, Cambridge University. University Lecture entitled, “Cooperative Breeding in Mammals.”

Paul Stamets, Founder and Leader, Fungi Perfecti, LLC
Lecture entitled, “Mushrooms as Ecological Medicines for People and Planet”

Michael Shadlen, University of Washington, University Lecture entitled, “Deciphering the neural code: A neural mechanism for decision making.”

Spring 2006 Sponsored Events


Francisco Prado-Vilar visit and lecture as part of the Illusions of Order conference.

David Rieff visit and lecture as part of the symposium entitled, “Challenges to Humanitarianism in the Twenty-First Century: Lessons from the Most Difficult Cases.”

Conference support: “Can the EU Survive?”

Conference support: “The Cultural Landscape of the Organ: Between Music and Science, God and Society.”

Conference support: “Bethe Centennial Symposium on Astrophysics.”
Account Information
As of May 19, 2006 - $375,000

Committee Membership

Shelley Feldman, Development Sociology, Agriculture & Life Sciences
Jean Lacey, Art Department, Architecture, Art & Planning
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Yervant Terzian, Committee Chair, Astronomy, Arts & Sciences
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Ann Hsiao-En Wong, Undergraduate Student

Dean of the Faculty, ex officio
Diane LaLonde, Coordinator, ex-officio

We would like to thank Diane LaLonde, Dean of the Faculty Office, who assisted the Committee in an excellent manner. We also thank the Dean of the Faculty for his interest and support of the Committee.

Respectfully,

Yervant Terzian
The David C. Duncan Professor in the Physical Sciences
And
Chairman, University Lectures Committee