

Symposium on The Renaissance co-sponsored by CILAS

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Several of the top renaissance scholars in the United States are scheduled to take part in the fifth annual Symposium on The Renaissance to be held in La Jolla and on the San Diego campus of the University of California May 5, 6, and 7.

The symposium is co-sponsored by The Salk Institute for Biological Studies and the Center for Iberian and Latin-American Studies (CILAS) at UCSD. The general topic, which alternates each year between the humanities and science, is "Hispanic Renaissance and the Vision of America."

Many of the scholars who will take part in this year's symposium are noted for their work in hispanic studies.

The symposium will open with a free public lecture by Dr. George A. Kubler, Robert Lehman Professor of the History of Art at Yale University, at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 5, in Sherwood Hall, 700 Prospect Street, La Jolla. Dr. Kubler, a member of the Yale University faculty since 1938, will talk on "Renaissances in American Antiquity."

The UCSD Madrigal Singers will also take part in the program.

The Saturday sessions, to be held in the conference room of the Institute for Geophysics and Planetary Physics at UCSD, will consist of four papers dealing with the general topic read by conference participants with a general discussion following each paper.

Dr. Antonio Alatorre, Lecturer in Romance Languages at Princeton University, will serve as moderator for the morning session scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. Dr. Marcel Bataillon, former Professor of Language and Literature of the Iberian Peninsula and Latin America at the College of France, will read a paper titled "America, Descubrimiento de Hombres."

The second paper for the morning session will be read by Dr. Jorge de Sena, Professor of Portuguese and Comparable Literature, Spanish and Portuguese at UC Santa Barbara. It is titled "Camoës: New Observations on His Epic and His Thought."

The afternoon session, scheduled to begin at 1:45 p.m., will be moderated by Dr. Ramon Eduardo Ruiz, Chairman of the Department of History at UCSD, Dr. Woodrow Borah, Professor of History at UC Berkeley, will read a paper titled "Hispanic Victrix; America Debellata: The Demographic Meaning of Conquest." The second afternoon paper will be read by Stephen Gilman, Professor of Romance Languages at Harvard University. It is titled "Lope de Vega and the 'Indias en su Ingenio.'"

A final discussion of the Saturday papers will begin at 10:00 a.m. Sunday in the conference room at the La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla. Dr. Guillermo Céspedes, Professor of History at UCSD, will serve as discussion leader and Dr. Claudio Guillen, Professor of Spanish and Comparative Literature, will present final thought on the entire symposium.

The Center for Iberian and Latin-American Studies is currently in the formative stage at UCSD. As it develops, CILAS will stress four areas of research - selected with regard to geography, library holdings, and faculty strength

of the San Diego campus, The four areas are the Spanish-Mexican heritage of California, including the cultural traditions of the Portuguese and Judeo-Spanish communities; investigation and research of the Mexican-United States frontier; Latin America, with particular emphasis on Mexico; and the Iberian peninsula.

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