

## 2009 Darwin Anniversary Events at UC San Diego

*Commemorating the 200th Anniversary of the Birth of Charles Darwin on Feb. 12*

Darwin's Legacy, the lecture series and the related course, starts the first week of January.

January 8 -- Francisco Ayala (UC Irvine); Darwin's Gift to Science and Religion

January 13 -- Jim Moore (UCSD); The Origins of AIDS

January 15 -- Ajit Varki (UCSD); The Impact of Darwin on Understanding Human Evolution and Medicine

January 22 -- Adrienne Zihlman (UC Santa Cruz); Chimpanzees, Life History, and Human Evolution

January 27 -- Brian Hare (Duke U); Darwin's Greatest Difficulty: What is Human about Our Mind?

January 29 -- Pascal Gagneaux (UCSD); Apes, Sugars and Sperm - Causes and Consequences of Glycan Evolution

January 29 - Division of Physical Sciences: Reviving the United States: 3 Nobel Prizewinners Offer Their Perspectives on Science, Education and the Environment

**Note: Above lectures located in Center Hall 115.**

January 28, 2009 - Dorothy Ross (Professor Emeriti Johns Hopkins University) Lincoln Lecture - "Lincoln's Exceptionalism and the Dilemma of Slavery" at 6 pm, Wednesday January 28. Venue TBD.

January 22 - Nature Matters Lecture Series at San Diego Natural History Museum, James Nieh, associate professor of biology, UCSD: Life and Death Among the Flowers: the Perils and Secret Language of Bees, Open to the Public, 6:30 pm, Registration begins at 6 pm. For more information contact: [sciencematters@ucsd.edu](mailto:sciencematters@ucsd.edu) or (858) 534-5635

February 3 -- Bernard Wood (George Washington U); Understanding Human Evolution: Progress and Possibilities

February 5 -- Goldin-Meadow (U Chicago); How Our Hands Help Us Think

February 10 -- Jeff Bada (Scripps Institute Oceanography, UCSD); Darwin's legacy and the origin of life

February 17 -- Nancy Friedlander (UCSD); Evolutionary Perspectives on Aging and Senescence

February 19 -- Ani Patel (Neuroscience Institute, San Diego); Music and Biological Evolution: Darwin's Ideas and Modern Perspectives

February 24 -- Margaret Schoeninger (UCSD); The Dietary Origin of the Human Lineage

February 26 -- Pat Churchland (UCSD); Morality & The Social Brain.

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February 4 - "Informance" at The Loft. A performance/lecture leading up to the LJS&C concert weekend. ("Darwin Portrait" will also be previewed with opportunity for audience discussion). Time TBD.

February 7-8 -- La Jolla Symphony - Lincoln and Darwin Portraits Performance of Aaron Copeland's Lincoln Portrait; La Jolla Symphony-commissioned Darwin Portrait by Rick Snow, graduate student in Music. Time TBD. Mandeville Auditorium.

February 26 - Nature Matters Lecture at the San Diego Natural History Museum Therese Markow, professor of biology, UC San Diego: Life on the Edge: Ingenious Survival Strategies in the Sonoran and Mojave Deserts, Open to the Public, 6:30 pm, Registration begins at 6 pm. For more information contact: sciencematters@ucsd.edu or (858) 534-5635

March 3 -- Joan Silk (UCLA); Social Security: the Adaptive Value of Social Bonds

March 5 -- Shirley Strum (UCSD); Darwin's Monkey: The Natural History of Being Almost Human

March 10 -- Katerina Semendeferi (UCSD); In Search of Human Uniqueness in the Brain

March 12 -- Helen Barbas (Boston U); The Frontal Lobe and Evolution of Emotions.

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March 3 -- Public lecture on The Scopes Trial, by Edward Larson, author of Pulitzer Prize winning book Summer for the Gods: The Scopes Trial and America's Continuing Debate over Science and Religion.

March 4 -- Professor Larson will be interacting with undergraduates in a course sponsored by the Division of Social Science on the Scopes Trial taught by Robert Horwitz and Val Hartouni. This is not a public event.

March 11 -- The course will culminate in a public presentation of courtroom material utilizing Scopes Trial transcripts. The Division of Arts and Humanities is supporting this presentation at CALit2's Atkinson Hall with the participation of Visual Arts Professor Riccardo Dominguez, who will guide a public, interactive real-time response to the performance.

April 2 Public Lecture: Why Darwin Matters, by Michael Shermer, a historian of science and columnist for Scientific American, Price Center West, 6:30 pm open to the public and part of the Inaugural Division of Biological Sciences Undergraduate Symposium: Evolutionary Biology: From Molecules to Man and Helen Edison Lecture Series. On display in the lobby of the Price Center that day (and traveling to other campus locations), winning and other outstanding entries to undergraduate competition to creatively express "Why Darwin Matters" visually or verbally.

April 3 Division of Biological Sciences Dean's Symposium: Evolutionary Biology: From Molecules to Man. Location: TBD Scientific Conference, Registration Required.

April 30 -- Nature Matters Lecture Series at San Diego Natural History Museum, Elsa Cleland, professor of biology, UCSD: Climate Change and Southern California Ecosystems 6:30 pm, Open to the Public, Registration begins at 6 pm. For more information contact: sciencematters@ucsd.edu or (858) 534-5635

May 14 -- Nature Matters Lecture Series at San Diego Natural History Museum, David Holway, associate professor of biology, UCSD: Ants Marching: A Biological Invasion in Your Own Backyard 6:30 pm, Open to the Public, Registration begins at 6 pm. For more information contact: [sciencematters@ucsd.edu](mailto:sciencematters@ucsd.edu) or (858) 534-5635