

## Ecologist Dr. Rene Dubos to lecture

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Dr. Rene Dubos, world renowned ecologist and winner in 1969 of the Pulitzer Prize for his book "So Human Animal," will be the first in an important series of speakers dealing with the future of humans on earth to be held at the University of California, San Diego.

Dr. Dubos, Professor of Environmental Biomedicine at The Rockefeller University in New York City, will speak at 8:00 p.m., Thursday, April 23, in the UCSD Gymnasium. The talk is free and open to the public.

Dr. Dubos will talk on "Environmental Scenarios (for the Future)" and his speech will be included as part of the UCSD Environmental Awareness Week taking place on the campus April 19 through 26.

Dr. Dubos will be the first of a number of speakers to take part in the 1970 Mandeville Lecture Series titled "The Human Condition: Crisis and Promise," which will continue in the fall academic quarter with at least three additional prominent speakers to be scheduled.

The Mandeville Lecture Series began on the UCSD campus in February, 1966. The founder of the series, Ernest Mandeville, was born in Elmira, New York, in 1896 and has lived in San Diego for over 12 years. In his distinguished career he has served as a deacon and priest of the Protestant Episcopal Church, as minister of Christ Church in Middletown, New Jersey, as public relations counsel for the governments of Nova Scotia and Bermuda and as President of the Mandeville Press Bureau.

Dr. Dubos, a key authority in the field of ecology, is a member of the Citizens' Advisory Committee on Environmental Quality to President Nixon and has been a moving force behind the nation-wide Environmental Teach-Ins.

He is the recipient of numerous awards for his brilliant scientific research, including the Lasker Award in Public Health, the American Medical Association Award and The Arches of Science Award of the Pacific Science Center.

In addition to his active concern with the effects that environmental factors exert on human life, Dr. Dubos first demonstrated the feasibility of obtaining germ-fighting drugs from microbes over 20 years ago. His pioneer work paved the way for subsequent research leading to the development of other antibiotics.

Dr. Dubos was born in France. He received his doctorate at Rutgers and has worked since at The Rockefeller University, except for a two-year period on the faculty of the Harvard University Medical School. He also served as president of the Scientists' Institute for Public Information from its inception until 1969 and continues to serve as a member of its board.

His book "So Human An Animal" has been hailed as "perhaps the most important message of our times? and "a significant manifesto in the intellectual history of man." His latest book is "Reason Awake (Science for Man)." Other important books by Dr. Dubos include "Man Adapting" and "The Unseen World," both of which won Phi Beta Kappa Awards, "The Dreams of Reason," "The Torch of Life," "Pasteur and Modern Science" and "The Mirage of Health."

He has also served, since 1946, as editor of the Journal of Experimental Medicine.