

Humanities Institute

Visiting Speakers, Fall
Director's Statement

Human Rights and the
Humanities

Distinguished Humanities
Scholar Award: Brooker

Fall Highlights

Schedule of Events,
Spring, 2010

Pinsky, Poetry Month
Victorian Studies
Conference

Hopler Receives Whiting
Huse, Columbia
Restaurant Book

The Humanities Institute invites you to attend and participate in its spring programs, which incorporate several new initiatives. In January, Director Gaggi will Wa a YbUuUa 'Y YbZf' residents in the new undergraduate dorm, Juniper-Poplar Hall. In addition **Franco Lodato, renowned**

By Dr. Hunt Hawkins, chair of English, University of South Florida.

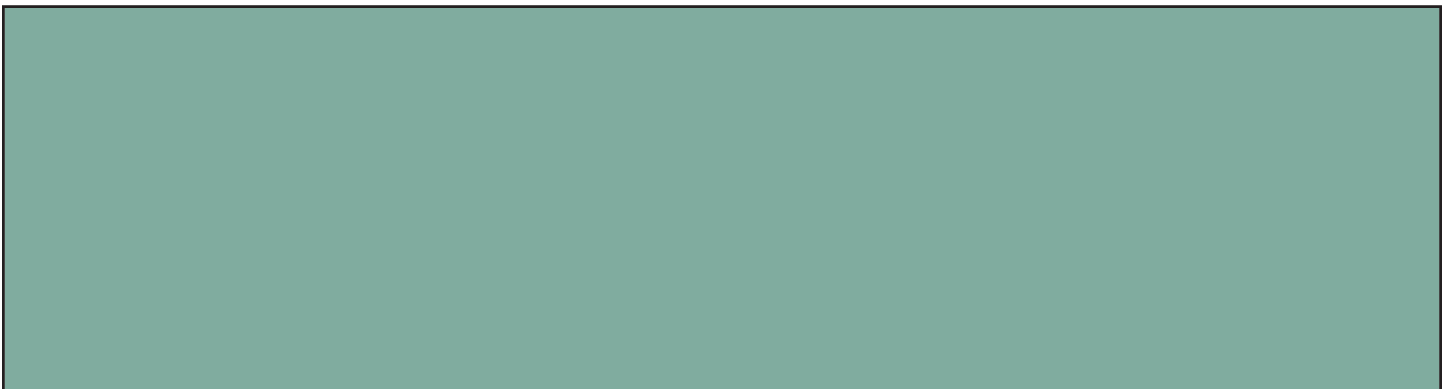
The following is an excerpt from the Presidential speech of the South Atlantic Modern Language Association Convention, Nov. 7, 2009. The full speech will be published in *The South Atlantic Review*.

We would like to thank Matthew Roudané of SAR for allowing us to publish these excerpts.

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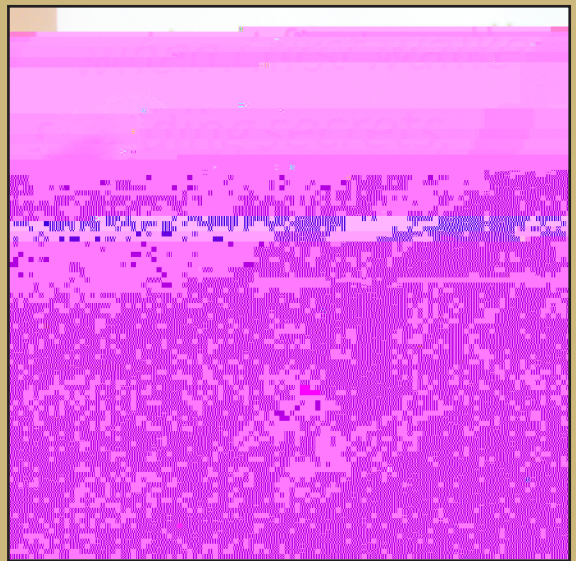
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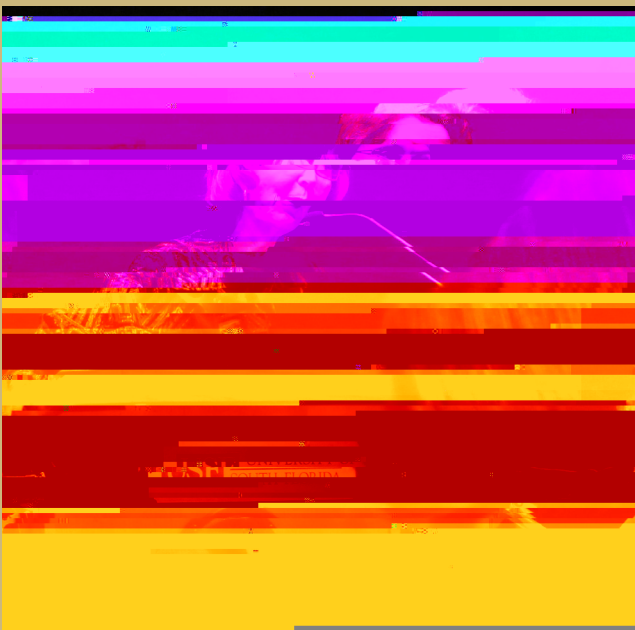


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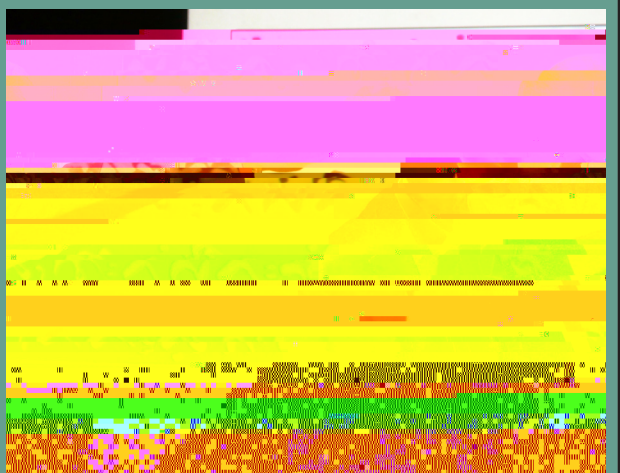
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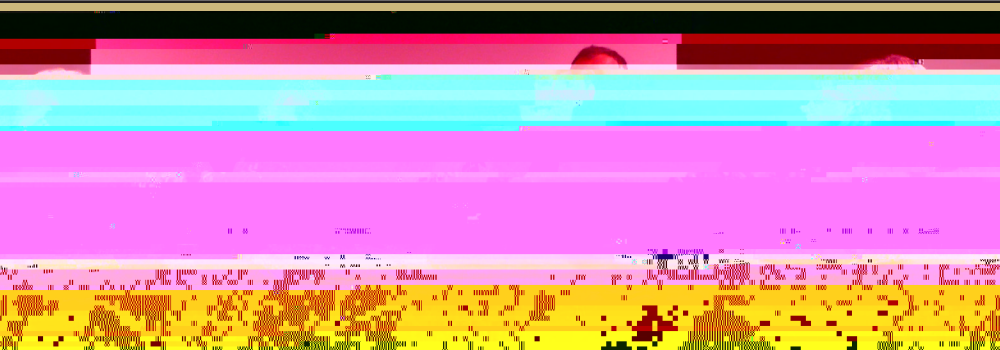
Dr. Jewel Spears Brooker discussing her work on
T. S. Eliot's *Four Quartets*.

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Dr. William Cummings (History) discussing
his Institute-supported research about Islam
in Makassar, Indonesia.

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Fri. **Franco Lodato** discussing "The
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2:00 p.m. Reception
2:30 p.m. Talk

Thur. **"A Stampede of Culture: Jazz,
Feb. 4 Art, and Food at the Center"**
The USF Jazz Ensemble II and
various student organizations will
gather outside the Marshall
Student Center.
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Tue. Feb. 16 - Thur. Feb. 18 Sci-Fi Symposium

Feb. 17 **Panel Discussion** Z U i f l b l
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Harry Harrison discussing
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MSC 2708, Plaza Room
1:00 p.m. Talk

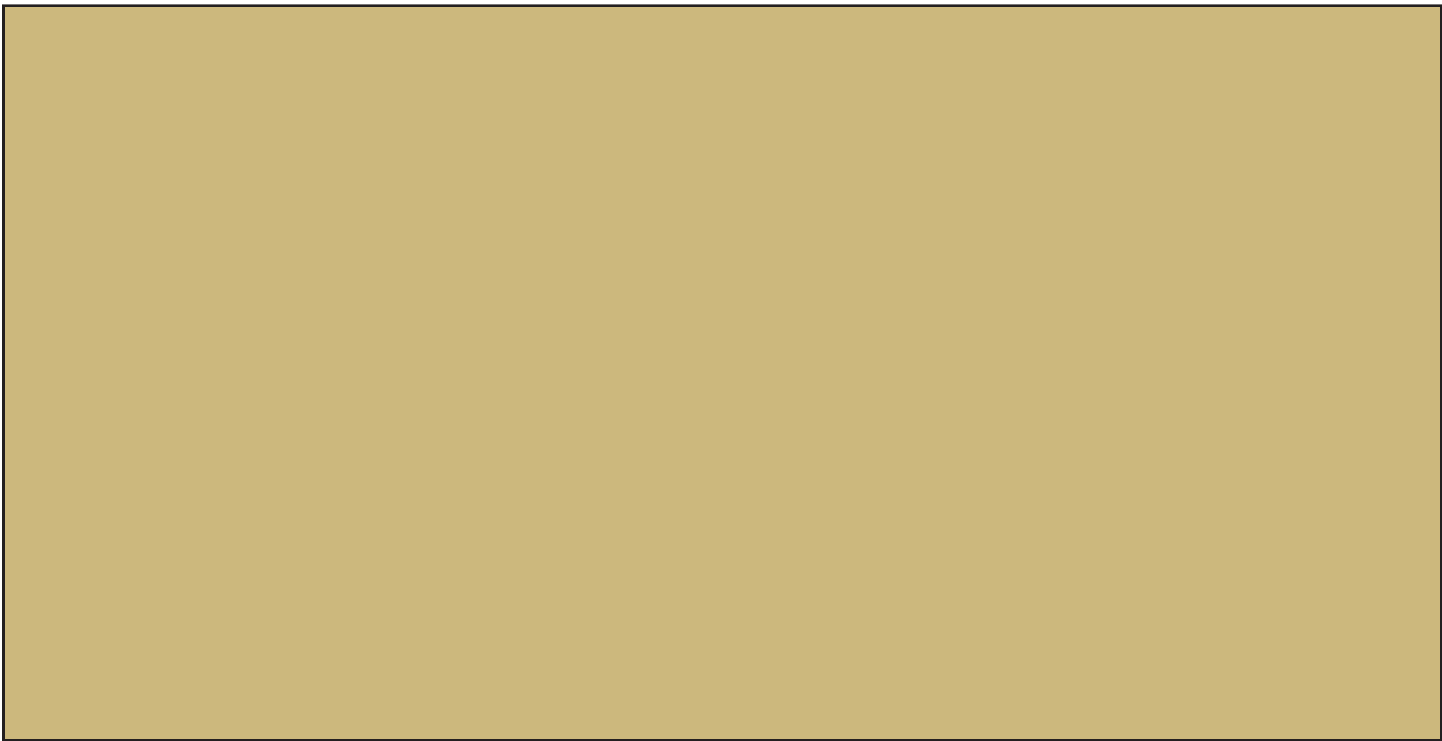
Feb. 17 **Keynote Address** with Gregory
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6:00 p.m. Reception
7:00 p.m. Talk

Thur. **"A Stampede of Culture: Jazz,
Mar. 4 Art, and Food at the Center"**
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Thur. **Distinguished Humanities
Mar. 18 Graduate Award**
Dr. Jewel Spears Brooker
(Eckerd College) will receive the
second Distinguished Humanities
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3:00 p.m. Reception
3:30 p.m. Ceremony

Thur. **Kathleen Finneran** (Washington
Mar. 25 University in St. Louis) discussing
her memoir *The Tender Land: A
Family Love Story*.
USF Graphicstudio
7:00 p.m. Talk
Co-sponsored by English
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Fri. **Chris Voparil** (Lynn University)
Mar. 26 discussing "Richard Rorty on
Intercultural Conversation and the
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Hopler Receives Whiting Writers' Award

Jay Hopler received the prestigious 2009 Whiting Writers' Award. Hopler receiving the \$50,000 award annually [j] b'lc'mi b['k f] h'g'z'f' h'Y'f'Y' h'f'f' ordinary talent and promise.

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Hopler has taught creative writing and poetry in the English department since 2006.

Î K'Y'U'Y'Y' h'f'Y'a' Y'm'd'f'c'i' X'c'Z'c'i' f' colleague," said Hunt Hawkins, Department Chair. "His work has been a Y'hc'Z'9'b[\g' 7' \U'f' Î'K'Y' _b'ck' \g'

career will continue to bring him great X'g'h'W'cb'V'W' g'Y'Y'f'i' m'g'U' [Z'X' k'f']h'f'U'b'X' \i g'm'X'g'Y'f']b['c'Z' this recognition."

H'Y'K' \]h['5'k'U'X' \U'g' V'Y'b' []j' Y'b'lc' & S'dc'Y'g'U'W' h'cb'U'b'X'cb'U'W'cb'k'f']h'f'g'z' and playwrights since its inception in 1985. On Oct. 28, Hopler was among 10 k']b'Y'f'g'c'Z'h'Y'U'k'U'X'U'b' nounced at the 25th

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Silvio Gaggi

Christine M. Probes

Melanie Formentin

James Truslow-Adams

New Initiatives, Cont.

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In March we will be pleased to award the **second Distinguished Humanities Graduate Award to Dr. Jewel Spears Brooker**, USF alumna (Ph.D. 1964) and author of *Reading the American Novel* and *Reading the American Short Story*. Please see [www.usf.edu/humanities](#) for more information.

Prize-winning writer **Kathleen Finneran** will also visit USF in March. She has received a Whiting Writers' Award and is currently Writer-in-Residence at Washington University in St. Louis.

We are excited to host the 1997-2000 **United States Poet Laureate Robert Pinsky** at USF. The **2000 United States Poet Laureate Robert Pinsky** will join us in

bringing poets **Valzhyna Mort, Aaron Baker** and **Katie Ford** to USF for workshops, and classroom visits.

The annual **World Languages Research Colloquium** will be co-sponsored by

Emeritus Bill Scheuerle, we will co-sponsor an all-day interdisciplinary **Victorian Studies Conference** with keynote speaker **Kathryn Ledbetter** at Texas State University. She will be joined by an international group of our own scholars in Nineteenth

century studies with the Library, we will sponsor the symposium **"Holocaust, Genocide and Crimes against Humanity,"** with

Reaching out to the Tampa Bay community, the Institute will join with L'Unione Italiana, the oldest historic leader and voice of the Italian community in the Ybor City location.

