

THE T. S. ELIOT SOCIETY
PRESENTS
ITS TENTH ANNUAL PROGRAM
FEATURING
"ACTUAL TIMES AND ACTUAL
PLACES IN ELIOT'S POETRY"
LEONARD UNGER

Opening Session
Saturday Morning
September 23, 1989
Nine O'clock
Jefferson Memorial Building, Forest Park
St. Louis

PROGRAM

Saturday, September 23

9:00 a.m. Registration.....*Dr. Vinnie-Marie D'Ambrosio, Secretary,
and Dr. Linda Wyman, Treasurer*

9:30 a.m. *Welcome (Emerson Auditorium).....Dr. Grover Smith, President,
and Mr. Leslie L. Konnyu, Founder*

Musical Interlude

Modern Music.....William Billings

i thank You God for most this amazing day.....Lloyd Pfautsch
sam was a man.....Antonio Rodrigues Pavao
text: e.e. cummings

Preludes.....Claude Debussy

III. La Puerta del Vino

V. Bruyeres

VI. "General Lavine" eccentric

Three Shakespearean Madrigals.....Joseph Baber

I. Fye On Sinful Fantasy

II. Tell Me Where

III. I Am Gone, Sir

10:30 a.m. *Introduction of Speaker.....Dr. Cleo McNelly Kearns, Vice-President*

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An Address by Dr. Leonard Unger

Dr. Unger, Professor of English (Emeritus) at the University of Minnesota, is the author or editor of three books on Eliot and of six other major works, and has many essays. He has published on various modern poets, on Donne and metaphysical poetry and on Shakespeare. His most recent book is Eliot's Compound Ghost: Influence and Confluence, which appeared in 1981.

12:00 noon *Box Lunch.....Arranged by Ms. Melanie Fathman*

2:00 p.m. *Musical Entertainment*

Mercy, Pity, Peace and Love.....Austin C. Lovelace
text: William Blake

Memory.....Andrew Lloyd Webber
soloist: Jeff Schmidt

Poems for Piano.....Vincent Persichetti

9. Sleep, weary mind; dream, heart's desire

Edna St. Vincent Millay

10. Dust in sunlight, and memory in corners

T. S. Eliot

Who is at My Window, who.....Welford Russell

text: *Gude and Godlie Ballates*, anon. Edinburg, 1578

Geographical Fugue.....Ernst Toch

- 2:25 p.m. *Society Members' Panel.....Chaired by Dr. Ann P. Brady*
- Dr. W. Ronald Schuchard, "T. S. Eliot's Clark Lectures: 'The Uses of Metaphysical Poetry'"*
*Dr. Stanley Sultan, "Love and Death in *The Waste Land*"*
Dr. Lois A. Cuddy, "T. S. Eliot's Mother, 'Masters,' and the Creative Theory of Evolution"
Discussion
- 5:15 p.m. *Supper (Director's Residence, Tower Grove Park).....Arranged by Ms. Melanie Fathman*
- 8:15 p.m. *The Family Reunion, by T. S. Eliot (Union Avenue Christian Church, Union at Enright).....West End Players Guild*
- Reception Following the Performance.....Arranged by Ms. Marilyn Holt*
- Sunday, September 24 *(First Unitarian Church of St. Louis, 5007 Waterman Boulevard)*
- 9:30 a.m. *Forum on The Family Reunion, by T. S. Eliot*
- Dr. Linda Wyman, "Language As Plot in *The Family Reunion*"*
Fr. James Torrens, S. J., "Seeing Spirits on the Eve of War"
- 11:00 a.m. *Address, "Ghosts: Who You Gonna Call?".....Rev. Earl K. Holt III*

Singers: Kimberly Perry, Cynthia Groya, Laurie Ryan, Jim Flowers, LeRoy Forney, Clay Cromley; Pianist: Laurie Ryan (Laurie Ryan is Director of Music at First Unitarian Church in St. Louis. She is a graduate of Lawrence University and studied musicology at the University of Illinois).

T. S. Eliot was born in St. Louis on September 26, 1888, of a family distinguished for its contributions to the city and its institutions. In his later years, Eliot often spoke appreciatively of St. Louis. He returned in 1953 as a Nobel Laureate to express his gratitude to an audience assembled at Washington University, an institution founded a century earlier by his grandfather William Greenleaf Eliot. In a booklet commemorating this occasion, the poet acknowledged that "Saint Louis affected me more deeply than any other environment." Eliot died in London, England on January 4, 1965, widely acclaimed as the most important poet of our century. The obituary in the Times (London) was entitled "The Most Influential English Poet of His Time," and the long obituary in Life magazine concluded with "Our age beyond any doubt has been, and will continue to be, the Age of Eliot."

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THE T. S. ELIOT SOCIETY

The T. S. Eliot Society is an international community of scholars and others interested in the mind and work of T. S. Eliot. It was founded in 1980 by the Hungarian-American man of letters Leslie L. Konnyu for the purpose of providing fellowship and enrichment of understanding, and as a focus for commemoration of Eliot in the city of his birth, St. Louis. Its annual program includes a Memorial Lecture by a scholar or critic. A volume of the recent Lectures, together with selected papers read at the Society's Eliot Centenary Celebration (1988), is to appear under the editorship of Jewel Spears Brooker, past President of the Society. A newsletter, T. S. ELIOT SOCIETY NEWS & NOTES, is published trimesterly.

The Society, incorporated as a non-profit organization, is supported by the annual dues of its members. For information concerning membership, address:

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