“Being Human: Taking the Humanities Beyond the Classroom”
The First Annual Mary Louise White Symposium
SUNY Fredonia
March 16-17, 2006
All sessions are free and open to the public.

Thursday, March 16

2:30-3:30 p.m.: Registration (outside Fenton 105)

3:30-4:15 p.m.: Being Human: A Vision for the Humanities Today (Fenton 105)
Welcome: Dennis Hefner, President, SUNY Fredonia
Speakers: Paul Schwartz, Dean, College of Arts & Humanities
Christine Givner, Dean, College of Education
Robert Marzec, Associate Professor, English Department

4:15-4:30 p.m.: Coffee Break

4:30-5:45 p.m.: Keynote Lecture: “Humanities for Humans” (Fenton 105)
Lauren Silberman, Professor of English, Baruch College
Introduction: Theodore Steinberg, Professor, English Department

6:00-7:15 p.m.: Reception (Pre-registration/fee required)

7:30-8:45 p.m.: The Humanities in the Context of Community: A Roundtable (Fenton 105)
Introduction: Bruce Simon, Associate Professor, English Department
Speakers: Mira Berkley, Board Member, Just My Imagination Workshop; Assistant Professor, College of Education
Christina Jarvis, Board Member, Just My Imagination Workshop; Associate Professor/Director, American Studies
Elizabeth Booth, former Executive Director, The 1891 Fredonia Opera House
Leonard Faulk, Director, SUNY Fredonia Center for Rural Regional Development and Governance
Mike Kirst, Director, Literacy Volunteers-Chautauqua County
AnaMaria Klein, Assistant Professor, College of Education
Thomas Roque, founder, 2XL; member, Dunkirk School Board
Kevin Michki, Music Librarian, Reed Library/ Lecturer, School of Music
Loretta Slaton Torain, Director, Upward Bound Program at SUNY Fredonia; President, Dunkirk-Fredonia Branch, NAACP

Friday, March 17

8:30-9:00 a.m.: Late Registration and Coffee (Williams Center, by S-104)

9:00-9:50 a.m.: Keynote Lecture: “Studying History, Viewing Art, Building Community” (Williams Center, S-104)
Marian Bleeke, Assistant Professor of Visual Arts and New Media, SUNY Fredonia
Introduction: Shannon McRae, Assistant Professor, English Department

9:50-10:00 a.m.: Coffee Break

10:00-10:50 a.m.: The Humanities in Action: Community Outreach (Williams Center, S-104)
Introduction: Ruth Antosh, Professor, Modern Languages and Literature
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| 11:00-12:15 p.m. | Keynote Lecture: “Dream States: The Public Imagination and the Cultural Disciplines” (Williams, S-104)  
Julie Ellison, Professor of American Culture, English, and Art and Design, University of Michigan, and Director of Imagining America  
Introduction: Virginia Horvath, Vice President of Academic Affairs |
| 2:00-3:00 p.m.  | The Humanities Beyond the Classroom: Student Practice (Fenton 105)  
Introduction: Mary Sasso, Director, International Education  
Speakers: John Arnold, Visiting Assistant Professor, History  
with students from his class HIST 305: The Renaissance  
Jill Marshall, Assistant Professor of Social Studies, College of Education  
and Lindsay Smith, Graduate Assistant, College of Education  
Jeanette McVicker, Chair/Professor, English Department  
with graduate students from her class ENGL 520: Seminar on Literary Studies and the Profession |
| 3:00-3:15 p.m.  | Break                                                                |
| 3:15-4:30 p.m.  | Closing Roundtable: The Humanities on Campus and in Our Community (Fenton 105)  
Introduction: David Ewing, Dean, College of Natural & Social Science  
Speakers: Vivian Conover, Associate Dean/Director of Academic Advising  
Christine Givner, Dean, College of Education  
Virginia Horvath, Vice President of Academic Affairs  
Jeanette McVicker, Chair, English Department/Professor/Coordinator of the Interdisciplinary Minor in Journalism |
| 4:30-5:30 p.m.  | Wine and Cheese Reception (Café G)                                   |

Classes from all disciplines are welcome at the Symposium. For more information on bringing your class, for suggested readings or prompts, or to offer feedback on these events, contact being.human@fredonia.edu or phone (716) 673-3851. The symposium Web site is [http://www.fredonia.edu/department/english/MLWSymposium/](http://www.fredonia.edu/department/english/MLWSymposium/).

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