

First Folio! Panel Discussion: How the University of California Makes Shakespeare New

Distinguished Professor of Literature Seth Lerer organized a two-hour panel discussion with prominent University of California (UC) Shakespeare faculty entitled, "How the University of California Makes Shakespeare New," June 6, at the San Diego Central Library's Neil Morgan Auditorium. UC President Janet Napolitano gave a brief introduction, Division of Arts and Humanities Dean Cristina Della Coletta attended the event, and Lerer led the discussion to explore UC contributions to Shakespeare scholarship and public outreach. Panel participants included Professor of English at UC Davis, Francis Dolan; Associate Professor of English at UC Riverside, Heidi Brayman Hackel; Professor of English at UC Berkeley, Jeffrey Knapp; Professor of English at UC Irvine, Julia Lupton; Professor of English at UC Santa Barbara, Patricia Fumerton and Professor of English at UCLA, Robert Watson.

The event was part of the "Shakespeare Takes Center Stage This Summer in San Diego," jointly co-hosted by the Old Globe and San Diego Public Library in honor of the 400th Anniversary of William Shakespeare's Death.



Pictured (L-R): Seated, Cristina della Coletta, Janet Napolitano
First row standing behind them: Bob Cronk (Deputy Director, SD Public Library), Patricia Fumerton (UCSB), Julia Lupton (UCI), Seth Lerer, Heidi Brayman (UCR), Barry Edelstein (Artistic Director, Old Globe Theater), Frances Dolan (UCD)
Back row: Erwin Magbanua (SD Public Library), Jeff Knapp (UCB), Rob Watson (UCLA), Susan Carlson (UCOP)