



Shimer

The Great Books
College of Chicago

Fall 2007 Lecture Series

Friday, September 28, 6:30 PM

**Technology and Transformation: The Ritual
Dimensions of Extreme Makeover Television**

Jeremy Biles holds a PhD in religion from the University of Chicago. He is Publications Manager for the Chicago Artists' Coalition, and also teaches philosophy at the Illinois Institute of Art. He is author of the forthcoming book *Ecce Monstrum: Georges Bataille and the Sacrifice of Form* (Fordham University Press).

Friday, October 12, 6:30 PM

Either Warhol or Pollock

John W. (Jack) Snapper is Professor of Philosophy at the Illinois Institute of Technology, where he teaches courses on aesthetics and the history of ideas. He holds a B.A. from Princeton University and an M.A. and Ph.D. in Philosophy from the University of Chicago. His recent publications include the edited volumes *Owning Information* and *Ethical Issues in Computer Use*.

Wednesday, October 24, 6:00 PM

**Reception for a Survivor of the Atom Bombing of
Hiroshima, Japan**

In conjunction with the Religious Studies and Japanese Studies Departments at De Paul University, Shimer College is honored to host a casual reception for and address by a survivor of the atom bombing of Hiroshima, Japan. We welcome all those interested in learning about and discussing the ongoing legacy of that event with our guest.

Friday, October 26, 6:00 PM

**Effects of Anthropogenic Noise on Marine
Mammals: A Whale of a Tale**

Jeanette Thomas is a Professor in the Department of Biological Sciences at Western Illinois University. She is editor of the journal *Aquatic Mammals*, has authored four books on marine mammal communication, and has research affiliations with the Shedd Aquarium, Brookfield Zoo, and Lincoln Park Zoo. She holds Ph.D. and M.S. degrees from the University of Minnesota.

DIRECTIONS and INFORMATION

All the events will take place in the Cinderella Lounge at Shimer College, located on the 2nd Floor at 3424 S. State Street in Chicago, on the IIT campus. For more information or directions, please contact Stuart Patterson, Assistant Professor of Liberal Arts, at 312.235.3529.