

Creative Living Series

All Programs Begin at 10:00 a.m. • Coffee and Conversation Offered at 9:00 a.m.

Paul Sereno

PEOPLE OF THE GREEN SAHARA

October 15, 2009



When gargantuan creatures such as "Fierce-Eyed Dawn Shark," "SuperCroc" and "Old Hidden Face" roamed the earth, land bridges connected Africa to India, and Antarctica was a balmy place. Paul Sereno, a modern-day Indiana Jones fearlessly romping in remote corners of the globe, has discovered more than two dozen new dinosaur species on five continents. Named one of the 100 Best

People in the World by *Esquire* magazine, Sereno views fossil hunting as "adventure with a purpose." He brings an artist's eye to the science of paleontology, resurrecting the skeletons of prehistoric reptiles and taking us into their world.

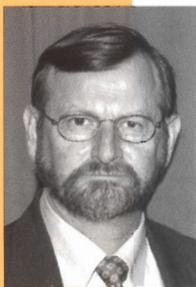
T.H. Baughman

ENDURANCE IN THE ANTARCTIC

November 19, 2009

History professor and raconteur T.H. Baughman tells the extraordinary tale of the disastrous 1914-17 expedition led by Sir Ernest Shackleton, who attempted to cross the Antarctic.

Combining a scholar's curiosity with the storyteller's art, Dr. Baughman vividly brings to life the plight of the 28 men shipwrecked on an ice floe, hundreds of miles from rescue and enduring unimaginably horrific weather conditions. In all the annals of adventure through the centuries of exploration, this one ranks first in the minds of many people for the example it sets for courage, determination and great leadership in action.



Dawn Jackson Blatner

NATIONAL FOOD & NUTRITION EXPERT

January 21, 2010



Here's the real deal about the power of food to promote health from a national spokesperson for the American Dietetic Association. Dawn Jackson Blatner, also a nutrition consultant for *Fitness* magazine, *Lifetime Television* and blogger for *USA Today*, shatters the myth that healthy eating can't include delights such as creamy carrot-ginger soup with walnuts and dark chocolate mousse. The author

of *The Flexitarian Diet* and instructor at The Chopping Block Cooking School shows how to incorporate more budget-friendly plant-based foods into your menus—without excluding your favorites—and inspires you to explore the mysteriously seductive flavor known as "umami."

Lori B. Andrews

**BIOETHICS AND THE LAW:
TRUTH AND FICTION**

February 18, 2010

Lori Andrews, a distinguished professor of law at Chicago-Kent and director of IIT's Institute for Science, Law and Technology, also writes award-winning mystery novels based on her expertise in genetics, bioethics and law. She is a frequent guest on programs such as "Nightline," "60 Minutes" and "CBS Morning News," called upon to explain the complex ethical issues raised by the new biotechnologies—embryonic stem cells, gene patents, DNA banking—as well as the controversy surrounding the market for human tissue. Her most recent novel, *Sequence*, explores the threat of bio-warfare and the loss of genetic privacy.



Rick Kogan

**THERE ARE NO ORDINARY PEOPLE:
A TRIP BEHIND THE HEADLINES**

March 18, 2010

From Japanese blues singers to Chicago aldermen, mobsters to musicians and entertainers of every stripe, Rick Kogan has conducted hundreds of conversations with extraordinary people. Born into a family of journalists, Kogan earned his first byline at age 16. Now a *Chicago Tribune* senior writer and columnist with nearly 5,000 bylines to his credit, he is also the author of eight books, including *America's Mom: The Life, Lessons, and Legacy of Ann Landers*. His distinctive voice, once named the best in the city by an alternative newspaper, can be heard on his WGN-AM weekly radio talk show "The Sunday Papers."



Dan Weinberg

**CONFESSIONS OF A LINCOLN
COLLECTOR**

April 15, 2010

Every day, Dan Weinberg holds history in his hands. His Abraham Lincoln Book Shop in Chicago specializes in books and historical artifacts related to U.S. presidents, especially Abraham Lincoln and the Civil War. Co-author of *Lincoln's Assassins: Their Trial and Execution*, Weinberg has acquired thousands of collections, including rare books, autographs, manuscripts, broadsides, statuary, works of art and other treasures. He was an advisor to the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission and has conducted appraisals and special research assignments for museums, universities, foundations, libraries, historical societies and private collectors to determine the value and authenticity of historical documents.



Past Speakers Include

Maya Angelou, Carol Marin, Charlie Trotter, Cclin Cowie, B. Smith, Calvin Trillin, Dr. Michael Roizen, Nuala O'Faolain, Jane & Michael Stern, Beverly Sills, Martha Stewart, Shelley Berman, Dr. Joyce Brothers, Wally Phillips, Joan Benny, Rick Steves, Studs Terkel, Joseph Epstein, Amy Dickinson, Loretta LaRoche, Shozo Sato, Jane Hamilton, Rick Bayless, Ann Patchett, John Callaway, Janet Carroll, Bill Kurtis, Betsy Palmer, Sarah Paretsky, Joel Daly



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