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21st Annual Jefferson Lecture
in the Humanities*

*"The Oldest Dead
White European Males"*

*Bernard Knox
Director Emeritus
The Center for Hellenic Studies
Washington, D.C.*

*8:00 in the evening
Wednesday, May 6, 1992*

*Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium
Constitution Avenue
between 12th and 14th Streets, N.W.
Washington, D.C.*

Bernard Knox

*As professor of classics at
Yale University and founding
director of the Center for
Hellenic Studies, Bernard Knox
has brought the scholarship
of ancient Greece to the
twentieth-century world.*

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Professor Bernard Knox, 21st Jefferson Lecturer, delivers his lecture, "The Oldest Dead White European Males", at the Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium.



Edwin J. Delattre, Dean of the School of Education of Boston University and vice-chairman of the National Council on the Humanities, introduces Professor Knox at the 1992 Jefferson Lecture.



Bernard Knox at the podium during the 1992 Jefferson Lecture
in the Humanities.



Lynne V. Cheney, Chairman of the NEH, and Bernard Knox, 1992 Jefferson Lecturer, pose with Jefferson engraving.



Ed Delattre, Lynne Cheney, and Bernard Knox pose with the Jefferson engraving.



Professor Knox delivers the 1992 Jefferson Lecture before an audience of 1,125 scholars, officials, and students.





Professor Knox is greeted by Sandor Taraszovics, Executive Vice-President Hungarian American Coalition, while Tom Chavez, Chairman of the New Mexico State Humanities awaits his turn at the reception following the lecture.



Mr. Taraszovics with Professor Knox' son McGregor, Professor Knox, and Professor Knox' wife, Bianca Van Orden.



Richard Cheney, Secretary of the U.S. Department of Defense, chats with Bernard Knox.

Bianca Van Orden, Professor Knox, and Charles Moser, faculty member at George Washington University engage in conversation at the reception.



Professor Knox and Bianca pose with talk-show host Dick Cavett.

Isabell Cambell, Professor Knox's niece, and Peggy Cambell, Professor Knox's sister from Scotland, are delighted by WQED-FM radio staffer John Barba.





Ted Berlincourt, and Marjorie Berlincourt, Director of the NEH Division of Fellowships and Seminars, greet Professor Knox while another guest looks on.

Bernard Knox chats with guests Barbara Gamarekian of the New York Times; Terry Zabala, professional photographer; and Nadine Ekrek, former NEH intern and student.



June Patten, NEH IPA in the Division of Preservation and Access, and Eileen Mackevich of the Illinois Humanities Council engage in conversation at the reception.

Collette Beresford, former NEH employee and student, and Chanda Galloway, NEH employee and student are enjoying a chat with Bernard Knox.



David Hoekema, Executive Director of the American Philosophical Association, chats with Alicia Jurrero, NEH council Nominee.

Guinevere Griest, Director of the NEH Division of Research Programs, Jeanne Griest, Dr. Griest's sister, and Kristen Coulter, daughter of NEH's Deputy Chairman Celeste Colgan, chat about the events of the evening.





Leon Kass, NEH Council Member, chats with NEH staffer Dan Jones, Division of Research Programs.

Gertrude Himmelfarb, 1991 NEH Jefferson Lecturer, Jerry Martin, NEH Assistant Chairman for Programs & Policy, and Marguerite Sullivan, Chief of Staff in the Office of Mrs. J. Danforth Quale, mingle at the reception.





Charles Moser, George Washington University faculty member, chats with Celeste Colgan, NEH Deputy Chairman.



NEH Council Member Peter Shaw (R) counsils NEH Council Member Michael Bass as he mourns the "DWEMs".



Table settings and floral arrangements at the reception in the National Museum of American History!





Chomiak Heads for University of Kiev on Fulbright Fellowship



Ulana Kot, a Ukrainian folk singer, and Martha Chomiak at a reception at the National Press Club for the International Council of Women

In her book, *Feminists Despite Themselves: Women in Ukrainian Community Life*, Martha Chomiak explored what it meant to be a woman in the Soviet Union. When the book was published in 1988, in her wildest dreams Chomiak never imagined that just a few years later, the U.S.S.R. would undergo a "peaceful disintegration." Or, moreover, that she would find herself teaching a course in women's studies at the University of Kiev in Ukraine.

Chomiak, a program officer responsible for the Translations

program in the Division of Research, has won a Fulbright Fellowship to teach in Ukraine for a year. She is undoubtedly excited by such a challenge, but seems to take the fellowship — her second Fulbright — in stride. "I happen to be female. I happen to be an historian and I can help the women identify with an American who's a scholar and leads a normal, accessible life."

Ukrainian women, according to Chomiak, are in dire need of such role models to achieve a better

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Bernard Knox: Defending the 'DWEM' Legacy

When the title of the twenty-first Jefferson Lecture — "The Oldest Dead White European Males" — was announced the month before the event, it raised curiosity and anticipation among Endowment staff and the academic community. In an interview in *The Washington Post*, Lecturer Bernard M.W. Knox was quoted as saying, "I'm making a joke about people who call them Dead White European Males. They couldn't figure out if it was pro or con." He added, "It's in between."

Knox, a professor emeritus of classics at Yale University and founding director of the Center for Hellenic Studies, addressed an audience of nearly 1,100 on May 6 at the Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium, discoursing on what he fondly refers to as "DWEMs."



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Edwin J. Delattre, Vice Chairman of the National Council and NEH Chairman Lynne V. Cheney, presenting Bernard M.W. Knox with a portrait of Thomas Jefferson

In 1990, in accepting the Charles Frankel Prize, Knox said that "to be a professor of ancient Greek is to be a professor of modernity." He built on this premise in his Jefferson Lecture, focusing on the innumerable contributions of the Greeks to society today. He concluded by saying, "They invented democracy more than 2,000 years before any modern Western nation took the first steps towards it;

they invented not only philosophy and the theater, but also the model of a national literature. . . they invented organized competitive athletics. . . political theory, rhetoric, biology, zoology, the atomic theory — one could go on. . . . We must always acknowledge how greatly, how deeply, how irrevocably, we are in their debt."

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