

INTELLECTUALS
AND
SOCIAL
CHANGE in
CENTRAL AND
EASTERN EUROPE

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Thank you for your inquiry about our upcoming conference on "Intellectuals and Social Change." Here is some additional information.

This conference is free and open to the public. Therefore, we do not require preregistration. Should you need hotel accommodations, we suggest the Hilton Gateway, which is located across the street from Penn Station, Newark. We have made special arrangements with them, and they promised to charge about \$70. per night to persons identifying themselves as participants at our conference. (Their usual rates are nearly double.) Another possibility is the Quality Inn, 50 Park Place.

A map of the area surrounding the Rutgers, Newark campus is on the back of the poster for participants who expect to drive. On the first day of the conference, Thursday April 9th, parking may be difficult: we have made arrangements with the Essex County Garage -- corner Raymond Boulevard and University Avenue for visitors' parking. (Should this garage be full, you will get instructions from the attendants on where else to go.) Public transportation to Newark is convenient and rapid.

We are 15 minutes from New York via Amtrak or New Jersey Transportation, on the line to New Brunswick, Princeton, Philadelphia and beyond, and about 35 by PATH train -- change at Jersey City. At Newark's Penn Station there are plenty of taxis: cost is about \$4. to any of the conference locations. (Check program on poster for these.) Private taxi services from New York charge about \$35. for a one-way trip. Campus Coach will provide service from Manhattan (contact Mike, [212] 682-1050).

We are about 20 minutes from Newark airport, and taxi service from there is between \$13. and \$20. -- ask the driver when you get into his car.

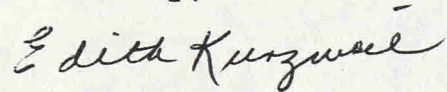
When you arrive at the Robeson Campus Center (at 350 Martin Luther King Boulevard, you will receive a list of restaurants in the immediate area, as well as in the famous Ironbound Section of Newark -- you had best call a taxi to get to these.

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Also, on Thursday, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. there will be a reception the panelists to meet the audience at the **Newark Museum**, 53 Washington Street, and on Friday there will be another one, from 5:15 to 6:30 p.m. at the **Newark Public Library**, 5 Washington Street.


We thank you for your inquiry and look forward to your participation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edith Kurzweil". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Edith Kurzweil, Ph. D.
Conference Director

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On Thursday through Saturday, April 9 - 11, 1992, the Newark Campus of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey will be holding a major conference on the subject of the role of writers and intellectuals in the recent transformation of Central Europe. Organized by Rutgers-Newark Professor Edith Kurzweil, Executive Editor of Partisan Review, and funded by a substantial grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, this conference will bring to Newark a host of prominent writers, critics, and participants in the changes that are leading to a re-thinking of the concept of European identity. The proceedings will be published in Partisan Review.

THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 1992



Robeson Campus Center:

8:45 am - 9:30 am Official Welcome

9:45 am - 12:00 noon Intellectuals and Writers Since the 1930s

Newark Museum:

1:30 pm - 3:30 pm Common Historical Roots

3:45 pm - 5:45 pm Poetry in Exile

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 1992

Robeson Campus Center:

8:30 am - 10:30 am The Literary Impact of the American and French Revolutions

10:45 am - 12:45 pm How Central European Writers Influenced Us

Newark Public Library:


3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Intellectuals as Leaders

SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 1992

Robeson Campus Center:

8:30 am - 10:30 am Intellectuals' Notes From the Underground

10:45 am - 12:45 pm The Humanities and Culture Heroes



The public is invited to attend free of charge.

Open discussion will follow each session.

The meetings will be held on the Newark Campus of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, at the Newark Museum and the Newark Public Library.

This conference is made possible by funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Participants:

✓ **Vassily Aksyonov**, Writer and Novelist

Stanislaw Baranczak, Poet, Critic and Professor of Slavic Languages and Literature at Harvard University

Saul Bellow, Novelist, University Professor at University of Chicago, Nobel Prize Winner

✓ **Joseph Brodsky**, American Poet Laureate, Professor of Literature at Mount Holyoke College, Nobel Prize Winner

Slavenka Drakulić, Yugoslav Writer

Ralph Ellison, Author

Hans Magnus Enzensberger, German Poet and Critic

✓ **Victor Erlich**, Emeritus Professor of Russian Literature, Yale University and Critic

Peter Esterházy, Hungarian Novelist and Essayist

Donald Fanger, Professor of Russian Literature, Harvard University and Critic

✓ **Valeri Golofast**, Professor of Sociology at Leningrad University, Member Academy of Sciences

Ivan Klimá, Czech Novelist

Leszek Kolakowski, Writer and Professor of Philosophy at All Souls College, Oxford and at University of Chicago

György Konrad, Hungarian Novelist and Critic

Jan Kott, Professor of Comparative Literature, State University of New York at Stony Brook and Playwright

Eda Kriséova, Member of the Executive Advisory Board to the President of Czechoslovakia, Essayist and Novelist

Edith Kurzweil, Professor of Sociology, Rutgers University and Executive Editor of Partisan Review

Walter Laqueur, Author and Professor of History of Ideas and Politics at Georgetown University

Doris Lessing, Novelist and Essayist

Jakov Lind, Writer and Novelist

Richard Lourie, Writer and Translator of Polish Literature

Norman Manea, Romanian Writer, Professor of Literature at Bard College

Adam Michnik, Polish Writer and Editor

Czeslaw Milosz, Poet and Critic, Professor of Slavic Languages and Literature, University of California, Berkeley and Nobel Prize recipient

Sidney Monas, Professor of Slavic Languages and Literature at the University of Texas, Austin and Editor, Slavic Review

Dmytro Pavlychko, Ukrainian Poet, Critic and Translator

William Phillips, Writer, Professor of English at Boston University and Editor of Partisan Review

Richard Pipes, Professor of History at Harvard University and Director of the Russian Research Center and Author

Susan Sontag, Essayist, Novelist, Filmmaker

Vladimir Tismaneanu, Romanian Writer and Editor

Tatyana Tolstaya, Russian Writer and Lecturer

Dubrovka Ugreszic, Yugoslav Writer and Translator

Adam Zagajewski, Writer, Translator, Professor of Literature at the University of Texas