

**INTERNATIONAL  
ARTHUR KOESTLER  
SYMPOSIUM**

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Auburn, Alabama  
**March 22-24, 2007**

## PROGRAM

**Thursday, March 22, 2007**

- 9.00 a.m.     *Welcome*  
ANNA GRAMBERG, Dean, Liberal Arts
- Introductory Remarks*  
ROBERT G. WEIGEL, Symposium Director
- 9.30 a.m.     JOHN SMYTHIES (San Diego):  
                  *Remembering Arthur Koestler*
- 10.00 a.m.     HANS WAGENER (UCLA):  
                  *Die Koestler Rezeption in den USA*
- 10.30 a.m.     Discussion/Break
- 11.00 a.m.     KLAUS WEISSENBERGER (Rice):  
                  *Koestlers nicht-fiktionale Kunstprosa*
- 11.45 a.m.     FRANK DAY (Greenville, SC):  
                  *The Khazars in Fiction*
- 12.15 p.m.     Discussion  
12.45 p.m.     Lunch
- 2.30 p.m.     RUDOLF ISLER (Zürich)  
                  *Zwei Leben - ein Jahrhundert: Manès  
                  Sperber und Arthur Koestler*
- 3.00 p.m.     NICOLAUS KOGON (Kalamazoo, MI)  
                  *The Age of Koestler* (Slideshow)

4.00 p.m. Discussion/Break  
4.15 p.m. MICHAEL SCAMMELL (Columbia):  
*Aspects of Koestler's Life and Work*

5.00 p.m. Discussion/Break  
5.45 p.m. Dinner

**Friday, March 23, 2007**

9.00 a.m. KIRK STEEN (Kenner, LA)  
*Koestler's "The Gladiator's"*

9.30 a.m. WYNFRID KRIEGLEDER (Wien):  
*Die Erzählverfahren in Arthur Koestlers*

*Romantrilogie*

10.00 a.m. Discussion

10.15 a.m. NASER SECEROVIC (Visoko, Bosnia);  
*Koestler's "Die Herren Call Girls"*

10.45 a.m. ILONA SLAWINSKI (Wien)  
*Koestler und Rußland*

11.15 a.m. NICOLAUS KOGON (Kalamazoo, MI)  
*Koestler's "Hours by the Window": A Case  
of Missing Identity*

11.45 a.m. Discussion  
12 p.m. Lunch

1 p.m.        Excursion  
6 p.m.        Dinner

**Saturday, March 24, 2007**

9.00 a.m.     JOSEPH STRELKA  
                  *Koestler und die Parapsychologie*

9.30 a.m.     PETER MULACS  
                  Arthur Koestler –Coincidence, Synchronicity, and  
                  Parapsychology

10.00 a.m.    Discussion/Break

10.30 a.m.    EMERY GEORGE (Trenton, NJ):  
                  *Arthur Koestler, Johannes Kepler, and Friedrich*  
                  *Hölderlin: Thoughts on the*  
                  *Eccentric Orbit*

11.00 a.m.    HELMUT KOHLENBERGER (Freilassing):  
                  *Mit Koestler auf der psychopathologischen*  
                  *Intensivstation: Koestler über Kepler*

11.30 a.m.    Discussion

12.00 p.m.    Farewell Lunch

Registration: There is no registration fee, and the Symposium is open to the public.

Lodging: Hotel and Dixon Conference Center, 241 South College St.;  
          334 821 8200. Breakfast for participants will be in Ariccia  
          Restaurant, located in the Hotel

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