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Creativity



*"Creativity requires the courage
to let go of certainties."*

— Eric Fromm

*"Creativity can solve almost
any problem. The creative act,
the defeat of habit by originality,
overcomes everything."*

— George Lois



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**THE INSTITUTE FOR THE HUMANITIES AT SALADO
2008 LECTURE SERIES**

Michael Collins, Ph.D.



The Gault Site and the Search for the First Americans

Dr. Collins is a Research Associate of the Texas Archeological Research Laboratory at the UT at Austin and director of the Gault Project, an important Paleoindian archeological site in southwest Bell County. He heads a team of international scientists excavating Clovis artifacts that are rewriting some of the earliest human history.

Born and raised in West Texas, he studied archeology and geology at the University of Texas before earning a Ph.D. from the University of Arizona. During his career

Dr. Collins has conducted research at archeological sites around the world and is considered one of the leading experts on the geology of archeological sites, the early archeological record of the Americas, prehistoric stone stools and Clovis culture. He has published more than 100 papers, books, monographs and book chapters on these topics.

Gault Site Field Trip led by Dr. Collins

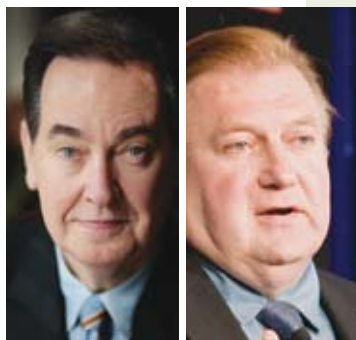
Saturday, September 20, 2008 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Advance registration required. Space is limited. Preference given to Institute members.

Sunday, August 10

Lecture 4-6 p.m.
Celebration Center,
216 Royal St., Salado

Optional Dinner with the Speaker,
Celebration Center, 6:30

Cal Thomas, conservative, and Bob Beckel, liberal



Common Ground: How to Stop the Partisan War That is Destroying America

These co-authors, newspaper columnists and TV analysts, who are on different sides of the political spectrum, will present a creative look at politics in this election year, co-sponsored by the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor.

Cal Thomas is one of America's most controversial columnists and most influential Christian journalists. His syndicated op-ed column appears in more than 600 national newspapers and he hosts a daily radio program heard on more than 300 stations nationwide. He has written ten books, including *Blinded by Might: Why the Religious Right Can't Save America*.

He is a commentator/analyst for the Fox News Channel and appears weekly as a panelist on "Fox News Watch."

Bob Beckel is one of Washington's most prolific speakers and leading political analysts. He is currently the chief on-air Democratic analyst for the Fox News Network. Along with Thomas, Beckel has recently launched a column for *USA Today* called "Common Ground." He and Thomas also co-wrote a book by that same name.

Before turning to journalism, Beckel had careers in politics and government. His own political consulting firm managed Walter Mondale's presidential campaign.

Wednesday, October 1

Lord Conference Center,
UMHB Parker Academic Center
10th & College Avenues, Belton

Lecture 6-8 p.m.
A reception will follow.

Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi, Ph.D.



The Creative Person and the Creative Context

Dr. Csikszentmihalyi is one of the world's leading authorities on creativity and positive psychology. His life's work has been to study what makes people truly happy.

He is most well known as the architect of the concept of "flow" as in "in the flow"— as our experience of optimal fulfillment and engagement which he outlined in his best-selling book, *Flow: The Psychology of Optimal Experience*.

He is also the author of 13 books translated into 23 languages and is in constant demand as a consultant and lecturer to business, government, educational and cultural organizations throughout the world.

Born in Hungary, he earned his undergraduate and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Chicago, where he taught and chaired the psychology department for many years. Currently he is a psychology and management professor at Claremont Graduate University's Drucker School of Management and is the Director of the Quality of Life Research Center.

Saturday, October 18

Lecture 5-7 p.m.
Longhorn Conference Center
Stagecoach Inn, Salado

Optional Dinner with the Speaker,
Robertson Room 7:30

Edwin "Bud" Shrake



A Writer's View of Creativity

"Bud" Shrake is a journalist, screenwriter, sportswriter and best-selling author whose multifaceted career has spanned five decades. At his appearance, he will tell stories about his adventures with the written word.

The Fort Worth native graduated from TCU while writing full time for the *Ft. Worth Press*. That was followed by sportswriting stints at *The Dallas Times Herald*, *the Dallas Morning News* and fifteen years with *Sports Illustrated*, part of that time in New York.

Once he returned to Texas he also began writing novels and screenplays. To date, Shrake has written seven screenplays and 17 books, three of which were celebrity as-told-to autobiographies about Willie Nelson, Barry Switzer and Harvey Penick. All three made the bestseller's list, and Penick's *Little Red Book*, became the bestselling sports book in American publishing history.

He lives in Austin where he continues to write. His most recent book, *Land of the Permanent Wave*, was published in April.

Sunday, November 9

4-6 p.m.
Appearance and Reception
Creekside Dining Room
Mill Creek, Salado

2008 Lecture Series

LECTURES

Institute members receive a discounted price (shown in parentheses) on lectures.

_____ Collins Lecture, Sun., August 10	\$25 (\$20)	\$ _____
_____ Beckel/Thomas Lecture, Wed., October 1	\$35 (\$30)	\$ _____
_____ Csikszentmihalyi Lecture, Sat., October 18	\$25 (\$20)	\$ _____
_____ Shrake Appearance & Reception, Sun., Nov. 9....	\$25 (\$20)	\$ _____

OPTIONAL EVENTS

All dinner and tour reservations must be pre-paid

_____ Gault Site Tour, Sat., Sept. 20.....	\$40	\$ _____
_____ Dinner with Collins, Sun., Aug. 10.....	\$20	\$ _____
_____ Dinner with Csikszentmihalyi, Sat., Oct. 18.....	\$20	\$ _____

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