

## OCTOBER 28, 29, 30: HEMINGWAY AND FILM

**PRE-CONFERENCE NEWSLETTER** 

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## '05 Hemingway Weekend Schedule

Registration will be at the Perry Hotel from 4:30 until 5:30 p.m. At 5:30 there will be a reception at the Crooked Tree Arts Center followed by a 7:30 p.m. film and address by independent filmmaker DeWitt Sage. Mr. Sage will take questions after the film is concluded.

On Saturday morning, breakfast will be provided by the Perry for those who have rooms there. Otherwise, breakfast is on your own and the morning is free for you to shop or sightsee Hemingway haunts downtown and in the historic Bay View Association nearby.

The rest of the day will be spent at Camp Michigania on the shore of Walloon Lake. A buffet lunch will take place at 1 p.m. at Camp Michigania. After lunch three short Hemingway films will be shown followed by a round-table discussion. The time from 3 - 5 p.m. is open for wandering the Michigania grounds or your own tours of the surrounding countryside.

Cocktails will be at 5 p.m. with a dinner buffet at 6 p.m. and program to be announced.

Sunday morning breakfast will be in the Reycraft Room at the Perry at 8:30 a.m. From 9:30 until 11 the group will hear a discussion of the different generations of film. Our last event, a general membership meeting, will take place at 11:00 a.m. Annual weekend features Oscar-winning filmmaker

Those who attend the upcoming fall conference of the Michigan Hemingway Society will be in for a special treat on Friday evening, October 28, when award winning documentary film maker, screenwriter, producer and director **DeWitt Sage** will screen his new film *Ernest Hemingway: Rivers to the Sea.*"

In 2001, Sage won his second Peabody Award for *Winter Dreams*, his documentary "chronicling the like of F. Scott Fitzgerald. . . in images and ideas as lyrical and inventive as Fitzgerald's prose."

In a career spanning over thirty years, DeWitt Sage has won an Academy Award for his 1974 documentary *Princeton: A Search for Answers*, three major film festival awards for the 1988 feature *Distant Harmony*, a portrait of opera star Luciano Pavarotti's trip to China, and widespread acclaim for his 1995 documentary *A Place for Madness*, which examines "the fragile intersection of severe mental illness and the law" just to mention a few of his achievements.

After the screening of *Ernest Hemingway: Rivers to the Sea*, Mr. Sage will make some comments about the film and take questions from the audience. This program should be a perfect beginning to a conference dedicated to Hemingway and Film!

A number of rooms are being held for the Hemingway Weekend at the historic Perry Hotel, which has been conference headquarters since our first gathering in 1990. Reserve now and enjoy staying in the heart of the Gaslight Shopping District. Mention the Michigan Hemingway Society for our special rate. Call 1-800-737-1899 by Sept. 16.

## <u>2006 Weekend -</u> "Lovely Walloona: Hemingway and Nature"

Make plans now for an exciting and different Michigan Hemingway Society Conference in 2006! We've scheduled it earlier, September 15-17<sup>th</sup> at the Michigania Retreat and Conference Center on Lake Walloon. This beautiful site is directly across from Windemere Cottage, and we'll have access to boats for some little jaunts on the lake, walks and tours of the area. Hopefully, the weather will cooperate. You'll have a chance to see this facility at our 2005 conference, when we will spend one day at this location.

The program is still in the planning stages, but MHS is proud to host the board members of the Hemingway Foundation as presenters. These are among the most knowledgable (and approachable!) Hemingway "experts" in the world, and will have some fascinating presentations by various members of this international organization. Keep posted for more details this coming year. And be sure to mark your calendars for this earlier time – September 15-17, 2006.

Dues are still just \$10, and that's no bull! Your support is appreciated. Please send checks to:	
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