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The Tenth Annual Uka and Nalini Solanki Foundation Lecture

"The Return of a King: Shah Shuja, the Great Game and the First Anglo-Afghan War, 1839-42"



William Dalrymple

Distinguished Guest Speaker

Thursday, March 1, 2012

The Pointe in the Walter Pyramid

California State University, Long Beach

Reception begins at 6:00 PM

Lecture and Q&A from 7:00 - 9:00 PM

William Dalrymple was born in Scotland, but has lived in Delhi on and off for the last 25 years. He is the author of seven books about India and the Islamic world, all of which won major literary awards, including *City of Djinn*s (Thomas Cook Travel Book Award and *Sunday Times* Young British Writer of the Year Prize), *White Mughals* (Wolfson Prize for History and SAC Scottish Book of the Year Prize), *The Last Mughal* (Duff Cooper Prize and Crossword Vodafone Award for Non-Fiction) and *Nine Lives: In Search of the Sacred in Modern India* (Asia House Literary Award). He is currently working on a history of the First Anglo-Afghan War and a major show of Mughal art for the Asia Society in New York which will open in February. He has also written and presented a number of prize-winning radio and TV documentaries, among them *The Long Search* (Stanford St Martin Prize) and *Indian Journeys* which won the Grierson Award at BAFTA. He is one of the founders and a co-director of the annual Jaipur Literary Festival, and has honorary doctorates of letters from the universities of St Andrews, Aberdeen and Lucknow.

Dalrymple will give the Tenth Annual Solanki Lecture at CSULB on Thursday, March 1, 2012. For more details, please contact Professor Tim Keirn at (562) 985-4428 or by email at Tim.Keirn@csulb.edu or to RSVP call (562) 985-7010 or email at indiastudies@csulb.edu.