



Jack Williamson

About Jack Williamson

- Born April 29, 1908 in Bisbee, Arizona Territory
- Family traveled to Roosevelt County, New Mexico by covered wagon in 1915
- Published his first science fiction story in 1928
- Married Blanche Slaten Harp in 1947
- Received BA and MA degrees in English from Eastern New Mexico University in 1957
- Received Ph.D. degree in English from the University of Colorado in Boulder in 1964



- Taught English at ENMU from 1960 to 1977
- Continued to teach creative writing and science fiction classes after his retirement
- Won the Hugo and Nebula awards, along with many others
- Named a Grand Master of Science Fiction by the Science Fiction Writers of America
- Died November 10, 2006 in Portales



His publications include:

55 novels

11 novellas

38 novelettes

More than 100 short stories

Two years of comic strips



JACK WILLIAMSON
LIBERAL ARTS BUILDING





Jack Williamson with editor Stephen Haffner and bibliographer Rick Hauptmann in front of Jack's writing shack on the family ranch



Stacie Spragg-Grande/Tribune

In Jack's home office in Portales

DECEMBER 2006

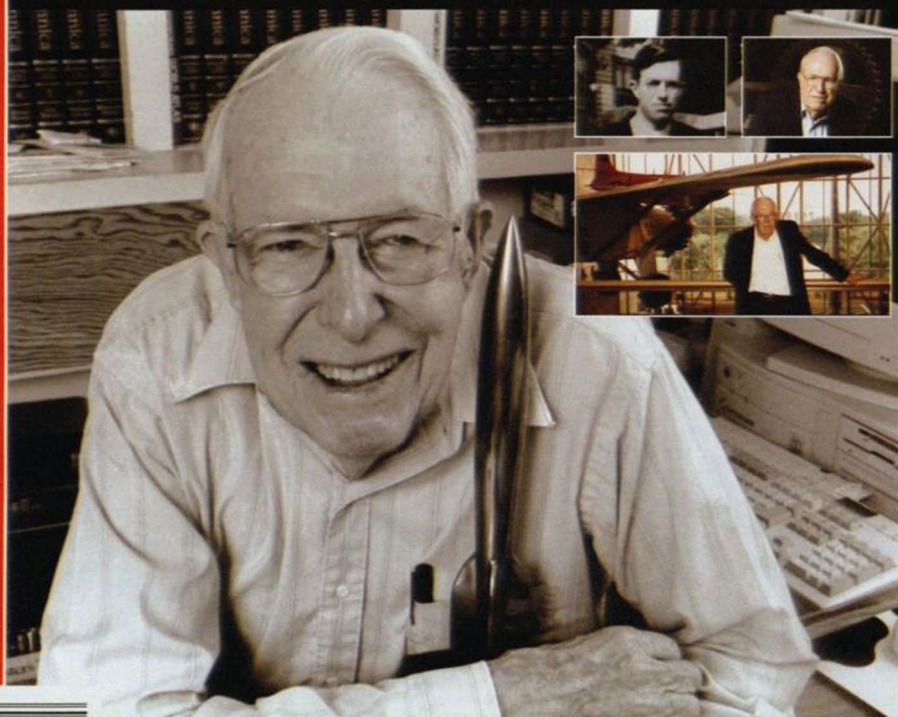
FORTHCOMING BOOKS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2007!

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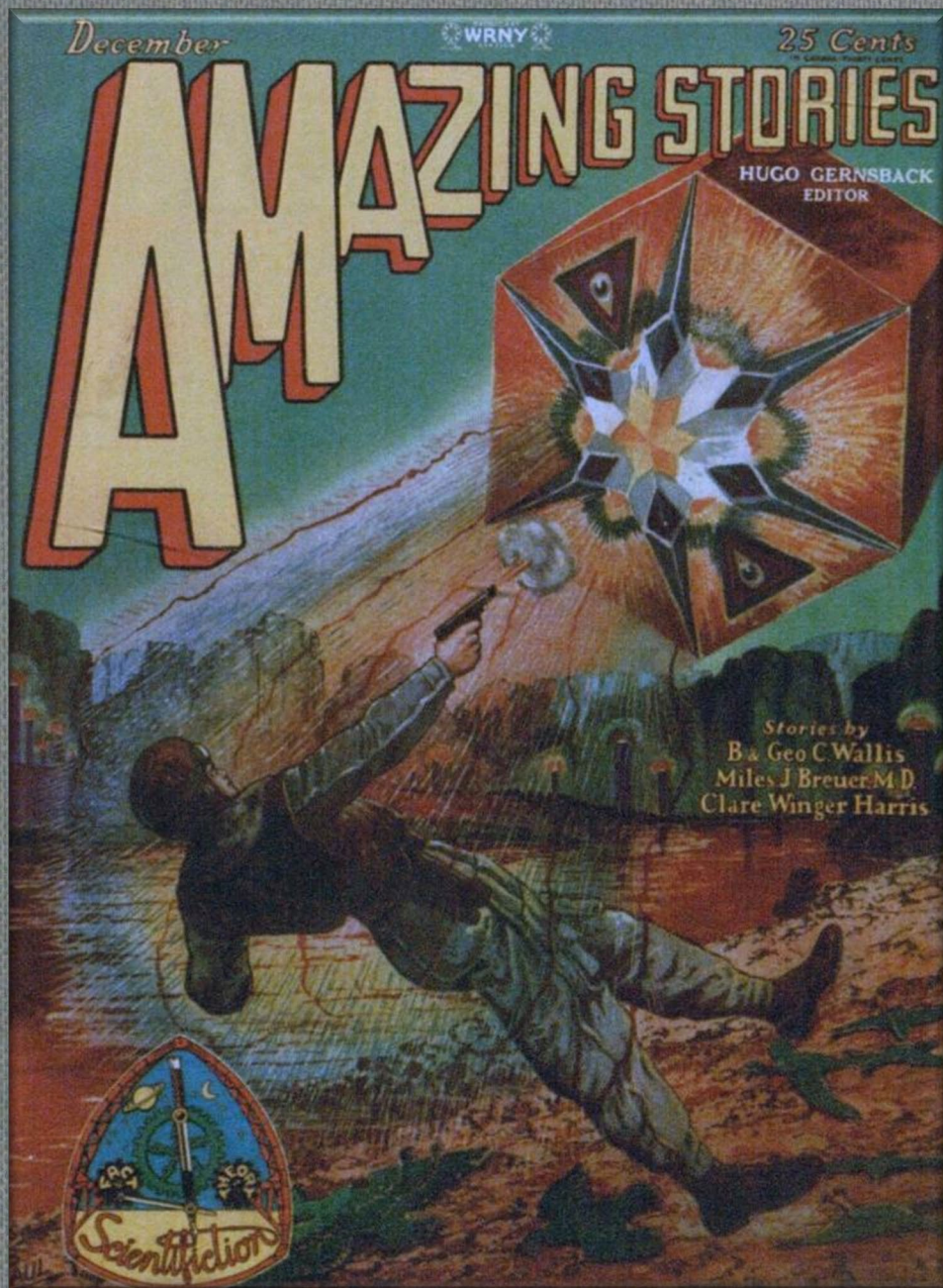
Celebrating the Memory of Science Fiction's Grand Master



Interview with **JAMES MORROW**

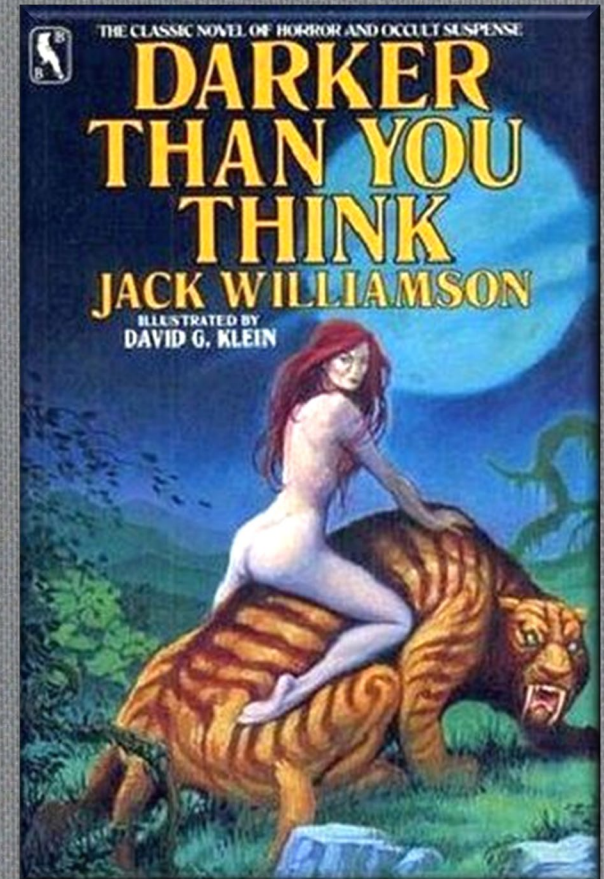
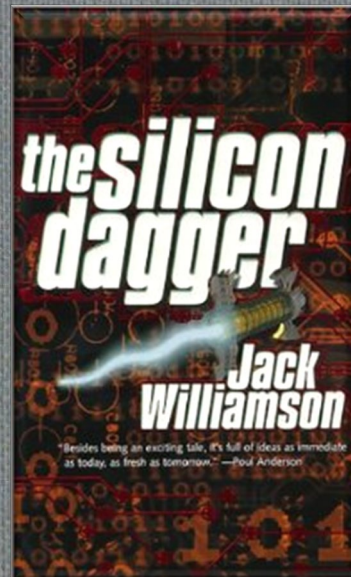
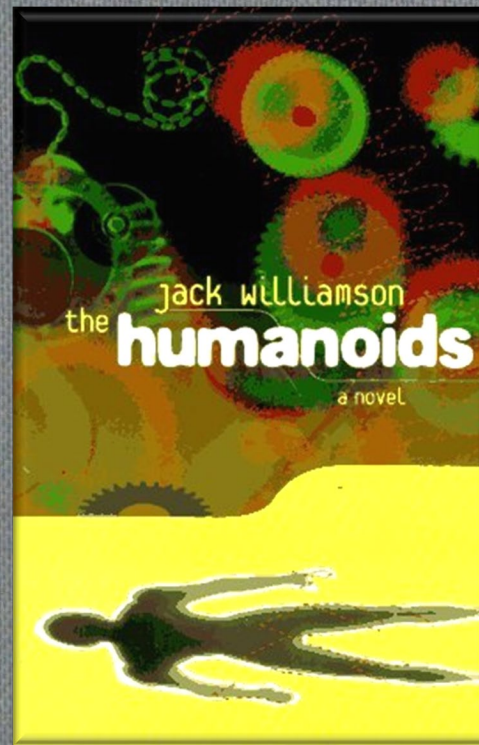
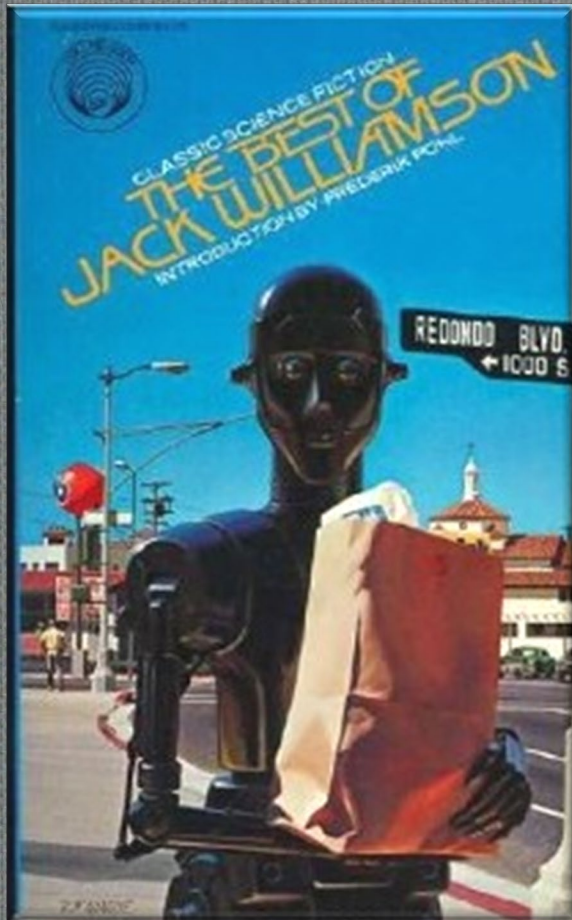
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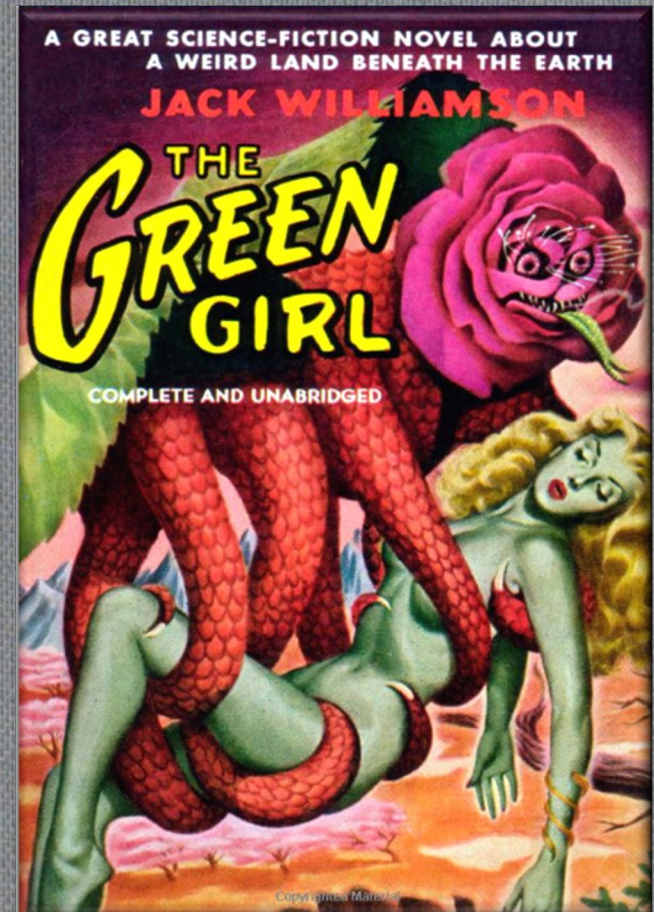
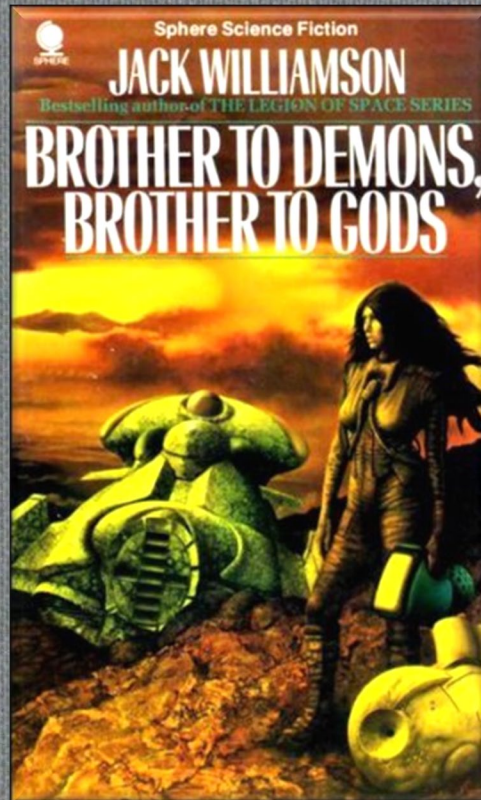
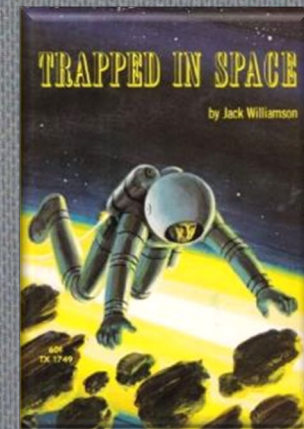
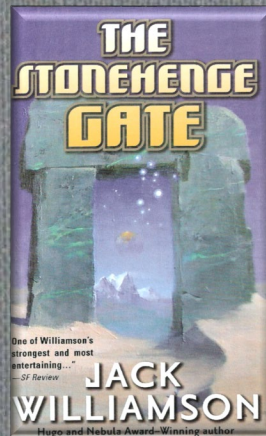
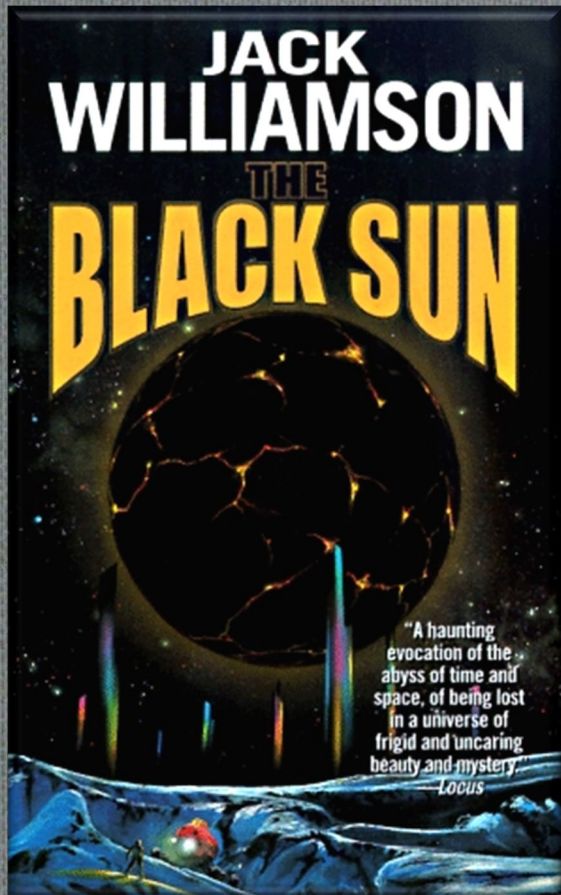
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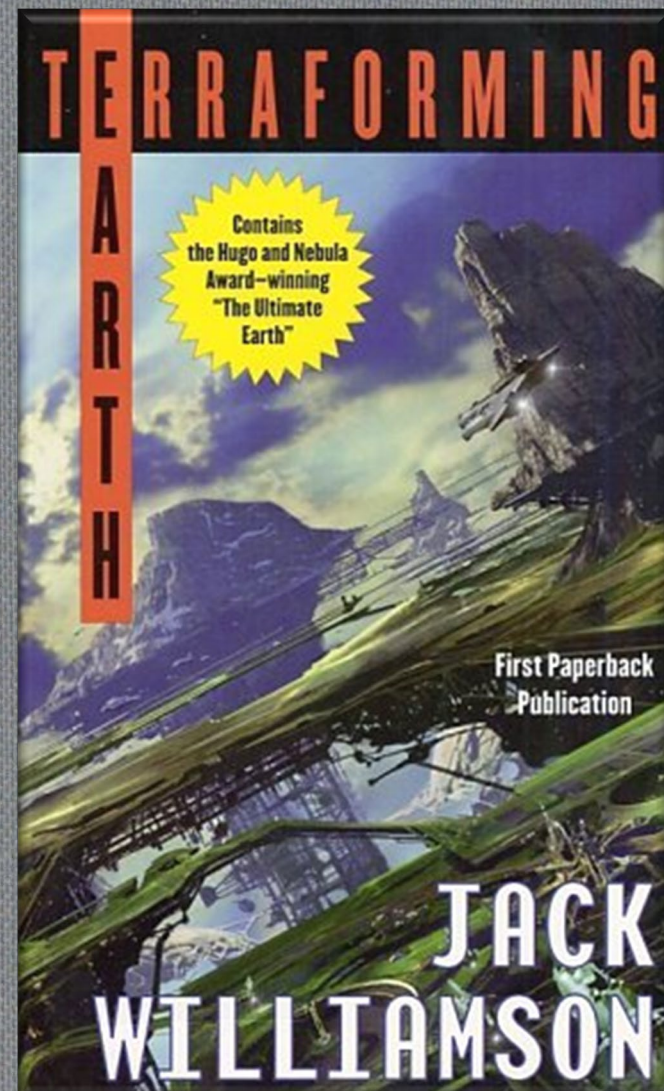
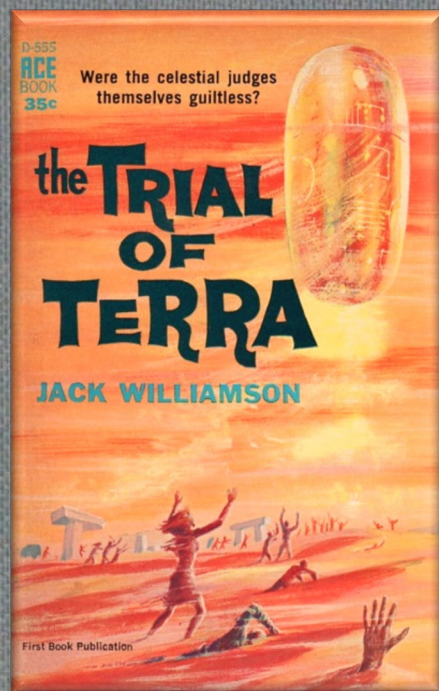
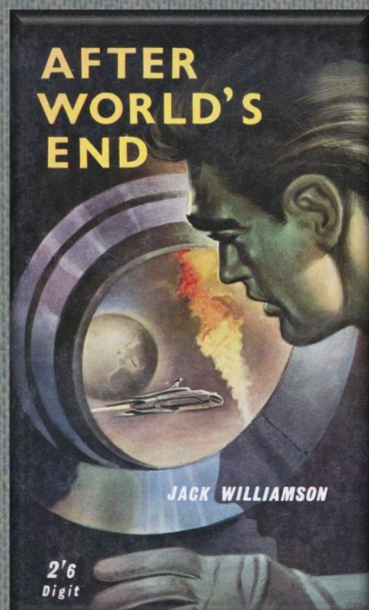
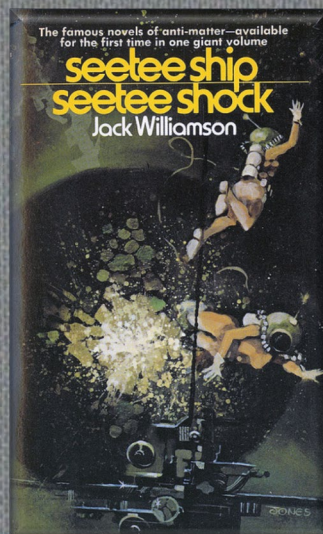
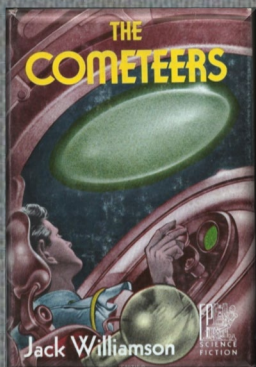


Magazine cover
for his first
published story,
"The Metal Man"
1928

Books by Jack Williamson







Comic Strip 1952 - 1955

BEYOND MARS
by JACK WILLIAMSON
LEE BLYTH
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THE SEA-GIRL SELLS MIKE AND THAM WITH HER ULTRASONIC VOICE!

YOU COULD GO FAR WITH THAT VOICE---AND I WISH YOU WOULD! WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT??

A DEMONSTRATION OF DR. MORAY'S POWERS! HE ALSO DABBLES IN MARINE BIOLOGY---

THESE MUTANT LOBSTERS ARE HIS CREATION--- BRED IN HIS UNDER-SEA LAB TO SALVAGE SUNKEN TREASURE---

THINK WHAT HE COULD'VE DONE WITH WHALES! BUT HOW DO YOU FIT IN?

I AM LORELEI--- DR. MORAY'S ASSISTANT... HIS SCIENCE HAS ENABLED ME TO BREATHE UNDER WATER--- AND GIVEN ME MY ULTRASONIC VOICE...

HE COULDN'T IMPROVE ON YOUR LOOKS, THOUGH!

THIM GUY NEVER LEARNTH!

YOU'RE A GAL A GUY COULD GO OVERBOARD FOR-- MATTER OF FACT, HE'D HAVE TO! BUT WHAT ABOUT OUR PLATINUM?

BY THIS TIME IT IS ALL IN THE HANDS OF DR. MORAY--- THANKS TO OUR SALVAGE-TRAINED LOBSTERS!

BUT DR. MORAY WILL GRACIOUSLY WAIVE HIS SALVAGE RIGHTS--- IN RETURN FOR YOUR COOPERATION IN A CERTAIN PROJECT---

COOPERATION? BLACKMAIL IS MORE LIKE IT! BUT I'M STYMIED---WHAT'S HIS PROPOSITIONS?

WAIT HERE!--- I WILL BRING THE ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTION WHEN I RETURN!

Beyond Mars from the New York Sunday News, August 29, 1954

BEYOND MARS
by JACK WILLIAMSON
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SPACE SHIP ORION TO SPACE GUARDS-- MAIN DRIVE BLOWN-- REPAIRS IMPOSSIBLE! ABANDONING SHIP!

THE SPACE LINER PLUNGES BATHWARD-- ITS MAIN DRIVE WRECKED BY TACK'S DEVICE!

SPACE GUARD CRUISER ACTINUM TO LIFEBOATS--- RELAY YOUR POSITION AND STAND BY FOR RESCUE!

TRISH O'KBBB!

LERTY!

THIS IS LT. LANCE--- HE USED TO CARRY MY BOOKS... I CALLED HIM LERTY THEN---

IT'S STILL LERTY TRISH! GOT ANY BOOKS I CAN CARRY?

HAWA! HE'S STILL GOT THAT SCHOOL-BOY CRUSH!

MEANWHILE--- REP NOT FROM ATMOSPHERIC PRESSION, THE ABANDONED LINER FALLS INTO THE OCEAN!

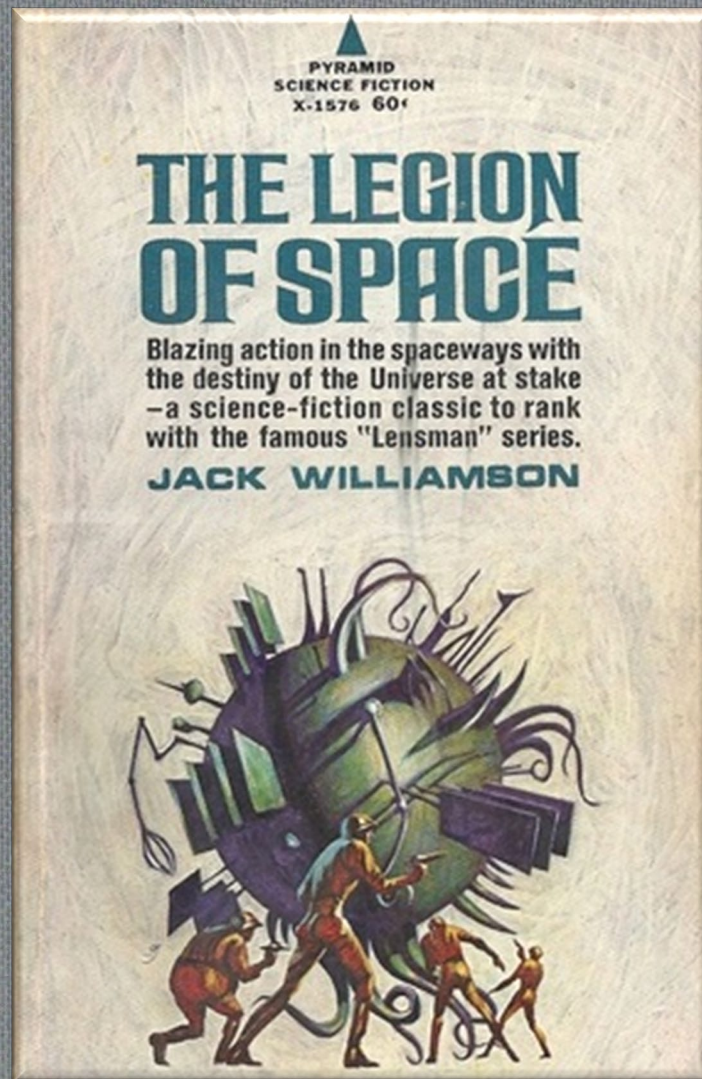
--- MONTHS OF DIGGING, SWEATING FOR THAT PLATINUM--- AND NOW IT'S ALL AT THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA!!

DON'T TAKE IT SO HARD, SON---

--- IT'S A BAD BREAK... BUT WE'RE HOME!

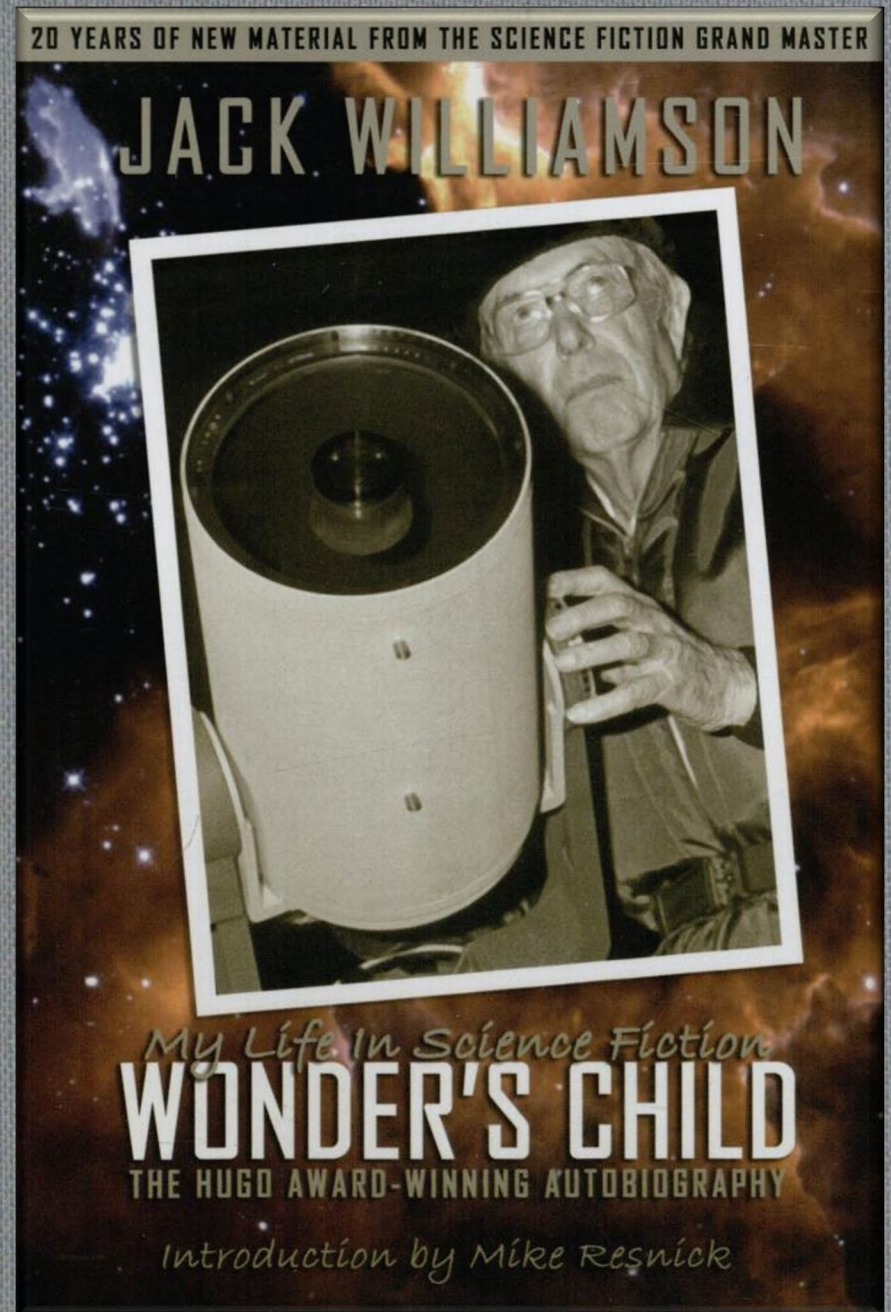
June 27, 1954

Unleashed in Space was based on *The Legion of Space*



Autobiography

“This book is about my own life, most of all about the times of wonder I’ve treasured and clung to . . .”



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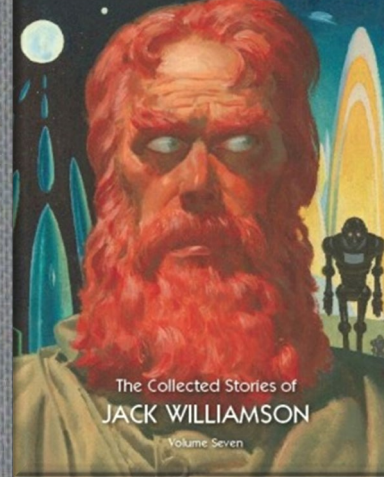
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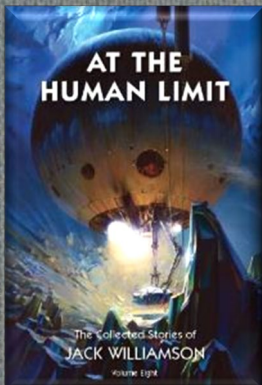
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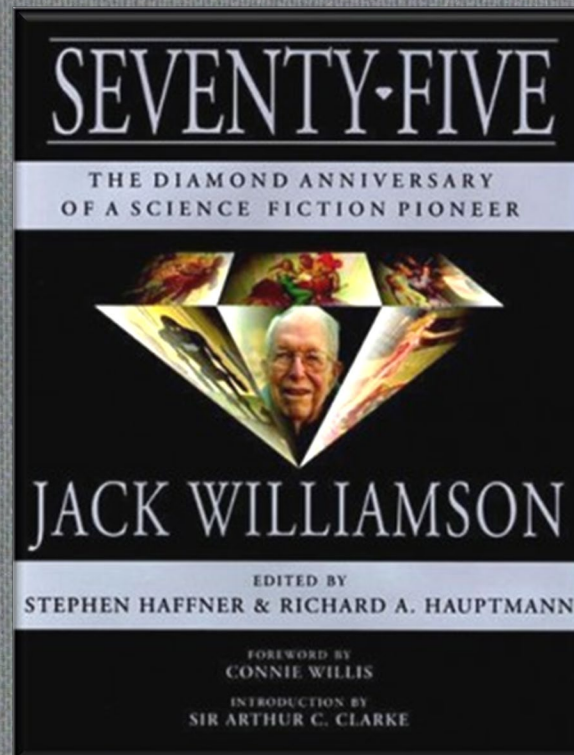
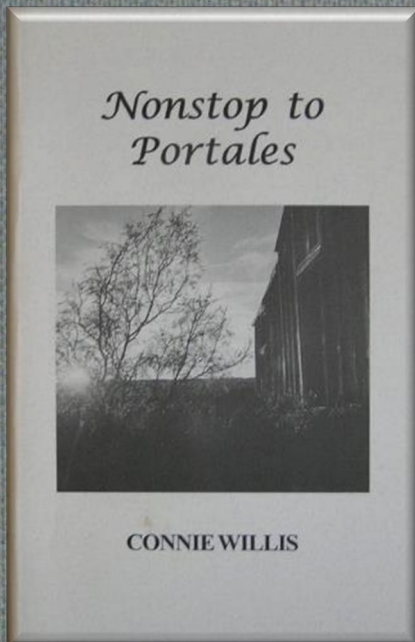
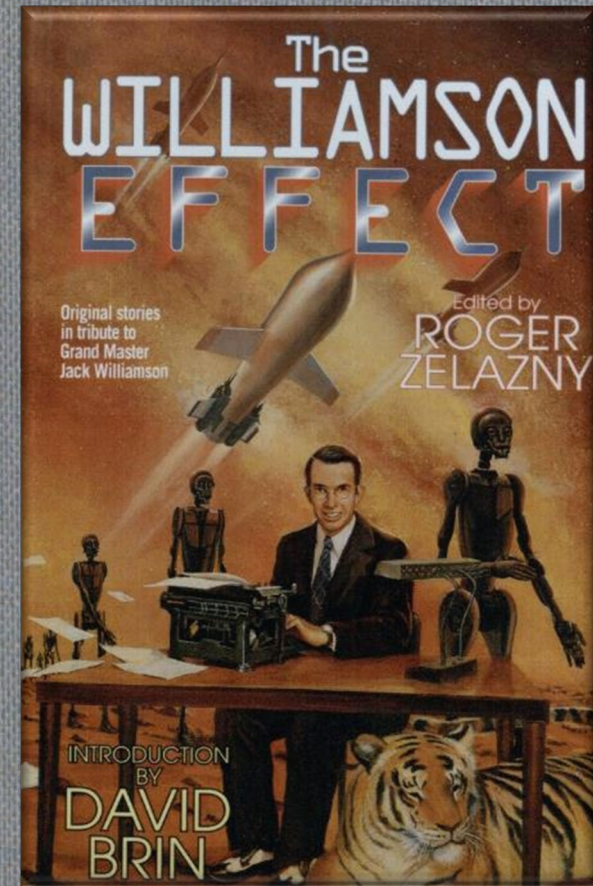
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Introduction by
James Gunn

**The Worlds of
JACK WILLIAMSON**



Books about Jack Williamson



Jack Williamson's Awards

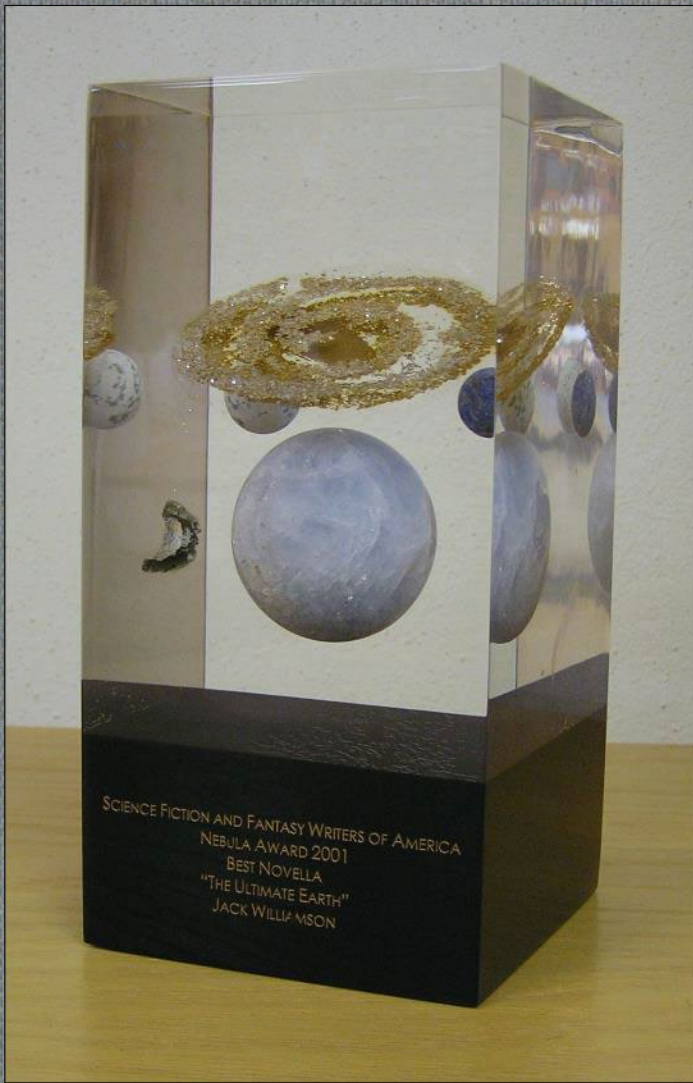


World
Fantasy



Science Fiction
Museum and
Hall of Fame

Grand Master
Nebula



Nebula



Bram
Stoker



Hugo

Robert A.
Heinlein



The Robert A. Heinlein Award

The Advisory Board of the Robert A. Heinlein Award for outstanding published work in hard science fiction or technical writings conferring the highest reputation of space is proud to present

The 2000 Robert A. Heinlein Award

Jack Williamson

This 24th day of August in the year 2000
for his exceptional

Body of Work




Robert A. Heinlein
August 24th, 1897 - 1988
The Robert A. Heinlein Award, Advisory Board




Jack Williamson's Words


The term “**terraforming**” was coined by Jack Williamson in his science-fiction story *Collision Orbit*, published in 1942.

The term “**genetic engineering**” was coined by Jack Williamson in his novel *Dragon's Island*, published in 1951.





**Jack Williamson's
legacy continues at
Eastern New Mexico University**





Jack Williamson Endowed Scholarships

Dr. Jack Williamson Outstanding
Foreign Student Scholarship

Jack Williamson
Freshman Excellence Scholarships





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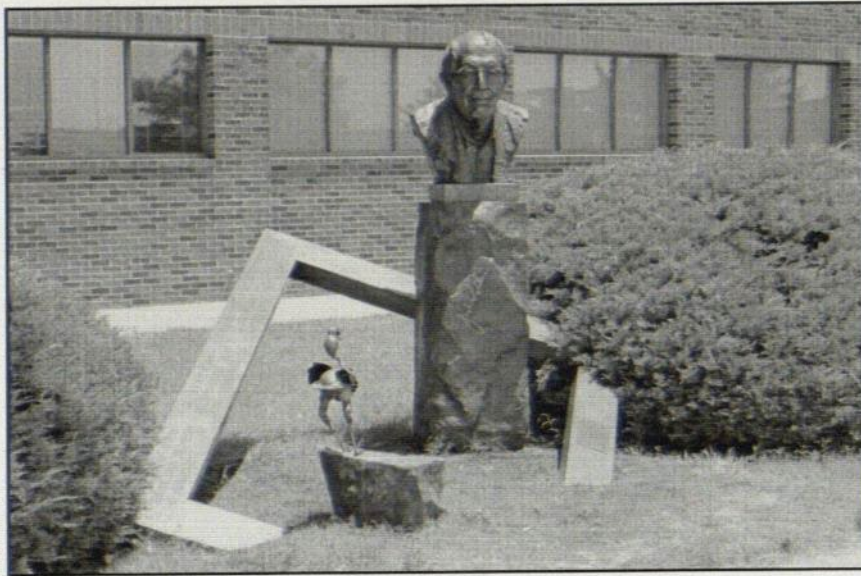


Jack Williamson Endowed Chair in Science and Humanities

Inaugurated in 2000, the endowed chair makes it possible to periodically bring a visiting professor to campus for one semester to teach, conduct research, and present public lectures.



Jack Williamson Liberal Arts Building

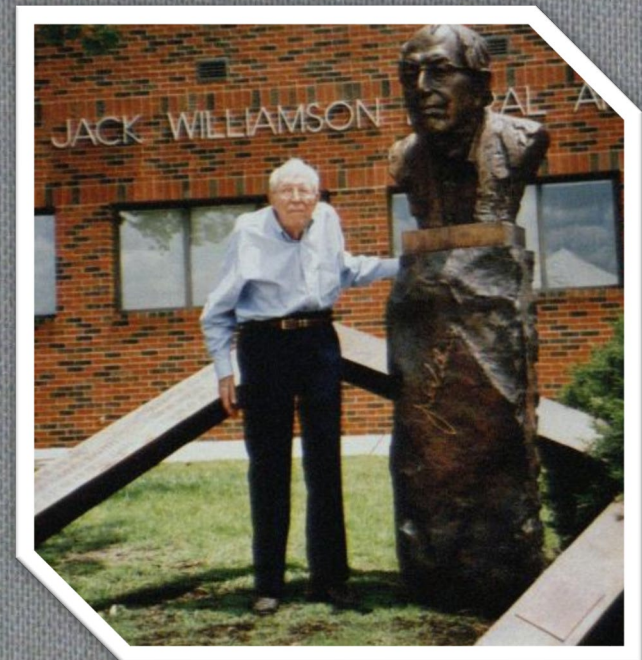


*Jack Williamson Bronze Sculpture
Dedication and Installation*

Jack Williamson Liberal Arts Building
June 26, 2004 • 1 p.m.

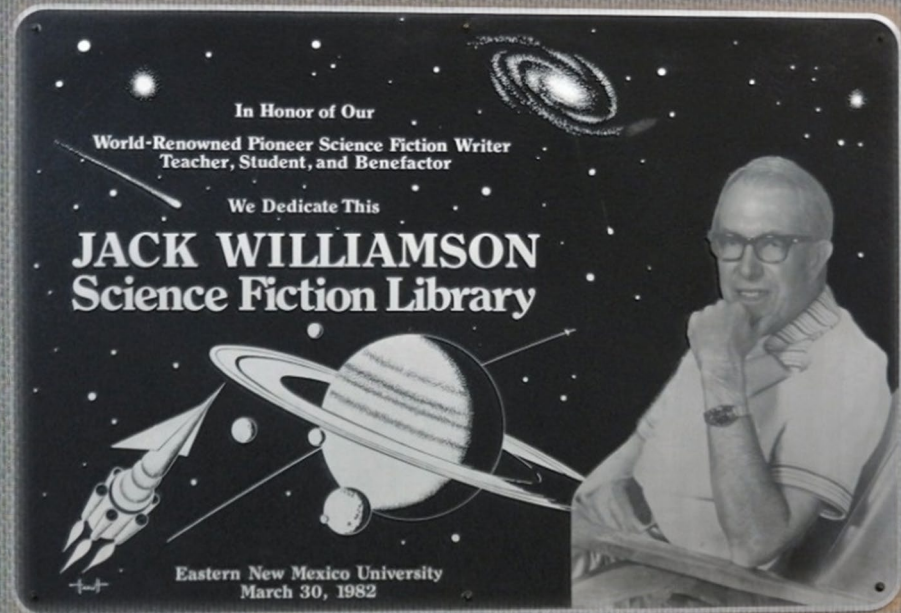
Renamed in his honor
in 1995

Sculpture installed
in 2004



Jack Williamson Science Fiction Library

- Located in ENMU's Golden Library Special Collections
- Began in 1967 with donations from Jack
- Now ranks as one of the world's leading science fiction library collections



Special Collections

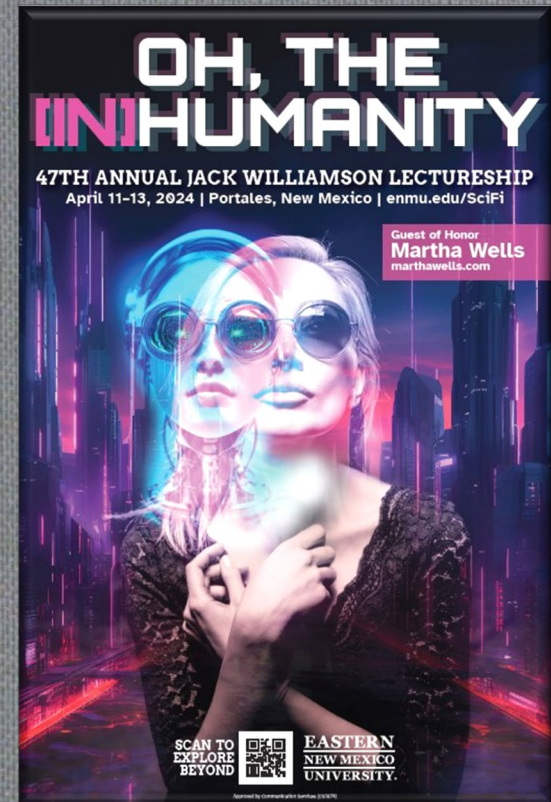


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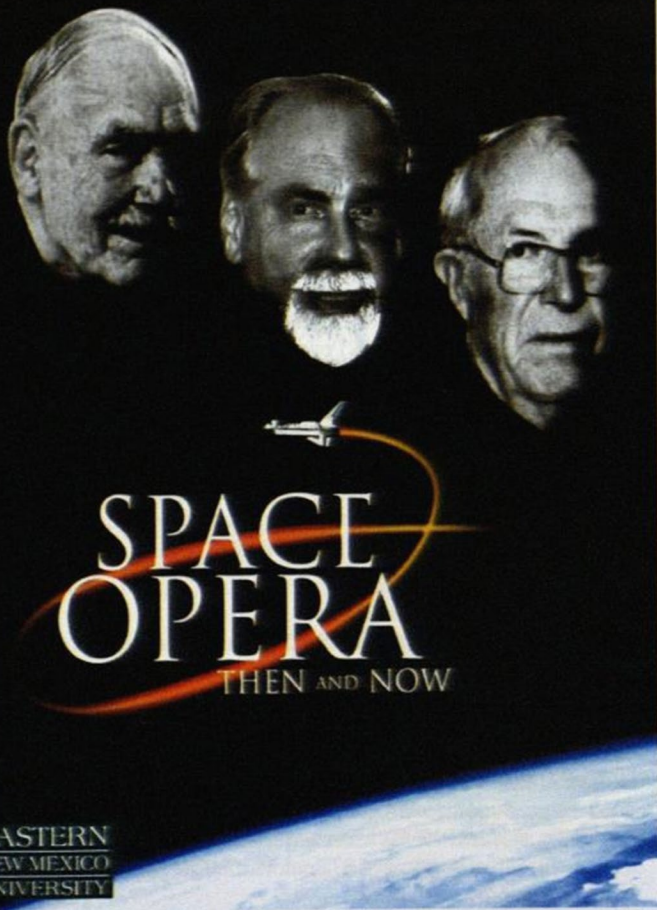
Jack Williamson Lectureship

Bringing noted speculative fiction authors to Portales for presentations, readings, and special events since 1977



Jack Williamson with Jim Gunn and Fred Pohl, first lectureship guests - 1977

The 28th Annual Williamson Lectureship
Thursday, March 11, 2004



The Jack Williamson Lectureship Committee Presents
From Metal Man to Stonehenge Gate:
75 Years of Science Fiction



Williamson Lectureship

Luncheon
Friday, April 27, 2007
11:45 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Campus Union Ballroom
Panel discussion on science
fiction and tips from writers
2 – 4 p.m.
Library Special Collections

Student Success
that's what it's all about

**EASTERN
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New Moon Rising:
Telling Science Fiction

33rd Annual Williamson Lectureship
Friday, April 10, 2009 • Luncheon, 11:45 a.m.
ENMU Campus Union Ballroom
\$8 at the door • Reservation deadline: April 8

Guest of Honor Nalo Hopkins: This award-winning author
mingles storytelling traditions, Caribbean folk tales and legends, and the
Creole language in her science fiction and fantasy.

Panel Discussions:

- In Golden Library's Special Collections 3:30-6 p.m.
- New Directions for Sci-Fi and Fantasy
 - Cross-Cultural Sci-Fi
 - Sci-Fi/Fantasy in Film and TV

More information and lunch reservations:

Patrice Caldwell 575-562-2315 • patrice.caldwell@enmu.edu
www.enmu.edu/williamson-lectureship

Student Success—that's what it's all about!

**EASTERN
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The 26th Annual Jack Williamson Lectureship March 7, 2002

Dragons, Dinosaurs, and Darwin



Featuring:

George R.R. Martin
Michael Swanwick

For Information:

Contact Dr. Patrice Caldwell at
(505) 562-2315 or
patrice.caldwell@enmu.edu

Luncheon:

11:45 a.m.
Campus Union Ballroom
RSVP by March 4
\$6.50 at the door

Panel Presentation:

7 p.m.
Becky Sharp Auditorium
Free Admission

Guests of Honor Rebecca Roanhorse and James Patrick Kelly



44TH ANNUAL JACK WILLIAMSON LECTURESHIP

April 22-24, 2021 | Portales, New Mexico

41st Annual Jack Williamson Lectureship Reimagining the Superhero Celebrating 30 Years of Wild Cards April 7, 2017



Friday, April 7

10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Reading with Melinda Snodgrass
Comments by Michael Cassutt
Campus Union Building 2nd Room - 2nd Floor

11:45 a.m.
Luncheon and Keynote Addresses
Connie Willis, Melinda Snodgrass, Michael Cassutt
Campus Union Building Ballroom - 2nd Floor
Reservations and Payment \$10 required

3:00 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
SF/Fantasy Panels
Jack Williamson Liberal Arts Building - Room 112 (and various rooms)

All events (except luncheon) free and open to the public

Information and Reservations: 575-562-2315 or
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Guests of Honor
Melinda Snodgrass
Michael Cassutt

39th Annual Jack Williamson Lectureship Wakeup Worlds April 9-10, 2015



Guest of Honor
Paolo Bacigalupi
Author of
The Windup Girl
Ship Breaker
The Drowned Cities

Thursday, April 9

6 p.m. Readings with Visiting Authors
Jack Williamson Liberal Arts Building - Room 112

Friday, April 10

9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. Reading with Paolo Bacigalupi
Jack Williamson Liberal Arts Building - Room 112

11:45 a.m. Luncheon and Keynote Addresses

Connie Willis, Paolo Bacigalupi

Campus Union Building 2nd Room - 2nd Floor

Reservations and Payment \$10 required

3 p.m. - 6 p.m. SF/Fantasy Panels

Golden Library Special Collections - 2nd Floor

All events (except luncheon) free and open to the public

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40th Annual Jack Williamson Lectureship The Many Faces of Victor Milán April 7-8, 2016



Thursday, April 7

5:30 p.m. Tribute to Jack Williamson (readings)
Jack Williamson Liberal Arts Building - Room 112

Friday, April 8

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Reading with Victor Milán
Jack Williamson Liberal Arts Building - Room 112

11:45 a.m. Luncheon and Keynote Addresses
Connie Willis, Victor Milán

Campus Union Ballroom - 2nd Floor
Reservations and Payment \$10 required

3:00 p.m. - 6:16 p.m. SF/Fantasy Panels
Golden Library Special Collections - 2nd Floor



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Tim Powers

Greg Bear

Paolo Bacigalupi

Robert Silverberg

Darynda Jones

Harlan Ellison

James Gunn

Victor Milán

Joe Haldeman

Martha Wells

C. J. Cherryh

Walter Jon Williams

Gregory Benford

Edward Bryant

Melinda Snodgrass

Arkady Martine

Michael Swanwick

Dean Wesley Smith

Kim Stanley Robinson

Kristine Kathryn Rusch

Lectureship

James Patrick Kelly

Nalo Hopkinson

Guests of Honor

Connie Willis

S. M. Stirling

Frederick Pohl

Ian Tregillis

Carrie Vaughn

Mike Resnick

Suzy McKee Charnas

Joan D. Vinge

Daniel Abraham

Charles N. Brown

Alex Rivera

Nancy Kress

Michael Cassutt

Jane Lindskold

Scott Edelman

Steven Gould

George R. R. Martin

Rebecca Roanhorse

Stephen R. Donaldson

Roger Zelazny

Jerry Pournelle

Gardner Dozois

And Others



Jack Williamson Lectureship

April 10 – 12, 2025

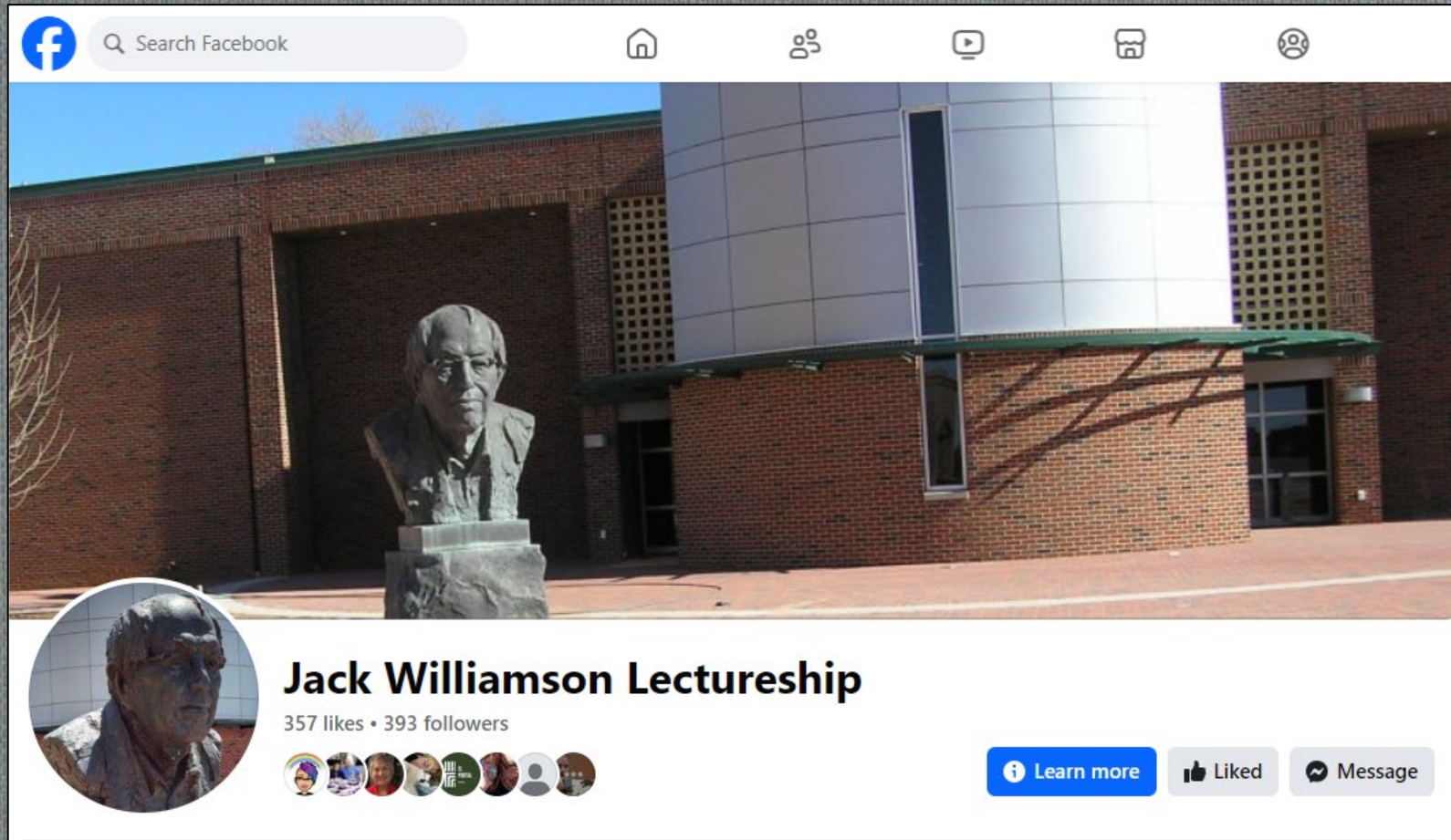


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Guest of Honor

Darcie Little Badger

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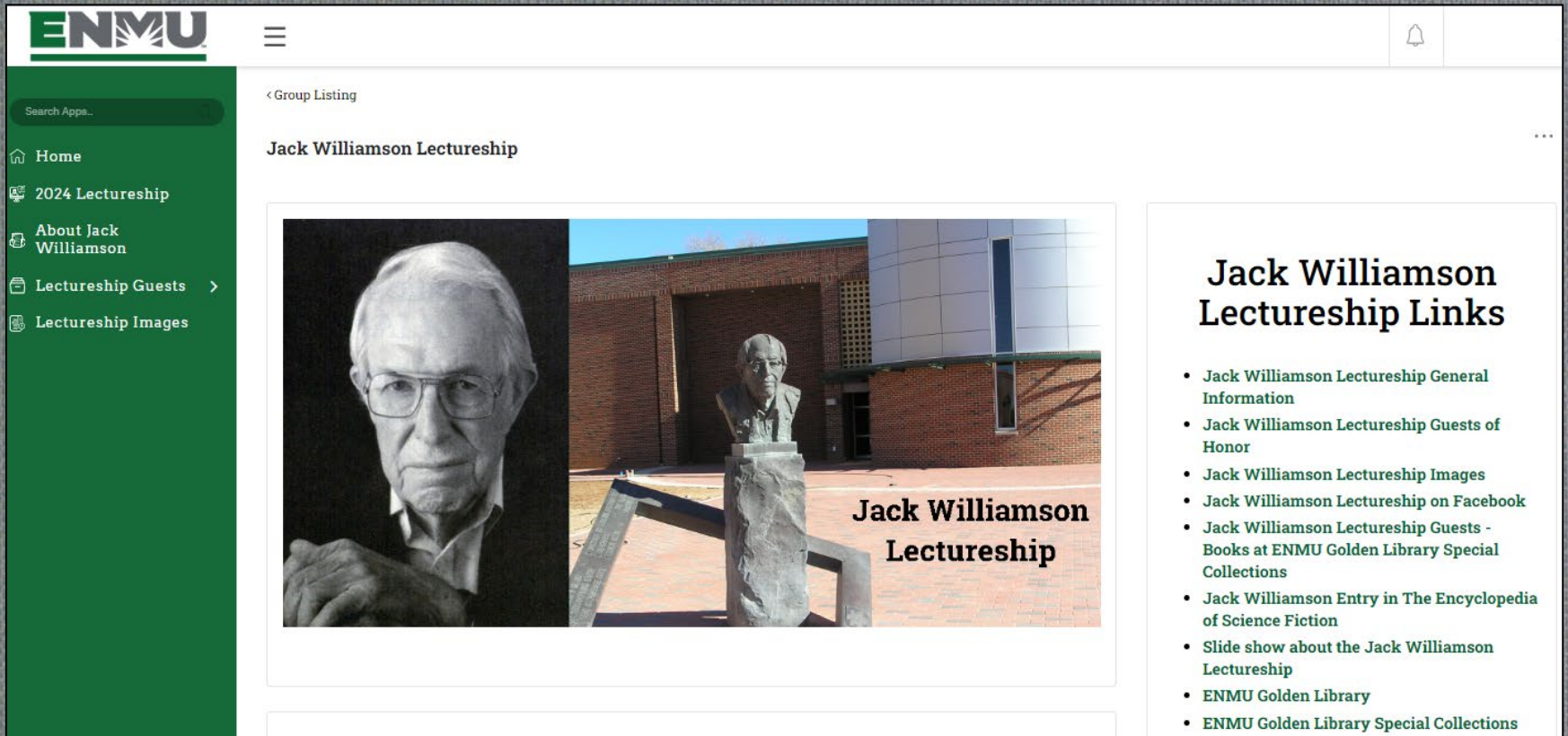
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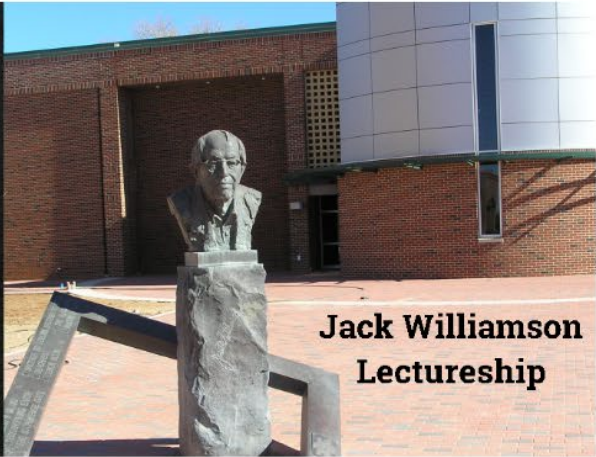
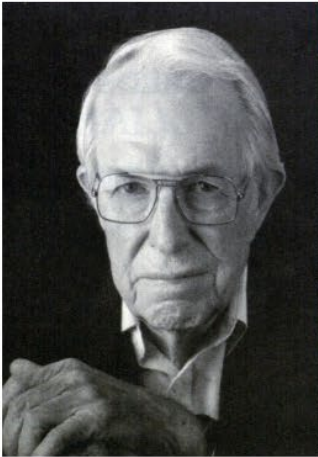


The screenshot displays the ENMU website interface. At the top left is the ENMU logo, followed by a hamburger menu icon and a notification bell icon. A dark green sidebar on the left contains a search bar and navigation links: Home, 2024 Lectureship, About Jack Williamson, Lectureship Guests, and Lectureship Images. The main content area shows a breadcrumb trail '< Group Listing' and the title 'Jack Williamson Lectureship'. Below the title is a banner image featuring a portrait of Jack Williamson on the left and a stone bust of him in front of a brick building on the right. The text 'Jack Williamson Lectureship' is overlaid on the right side of the banner. To the right of the banner is a section titled 'Jack Williamson Lectureship Links' containing a bulleted list of links.

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< Group Listing

Jack Williamson Lectureship



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(Title slide from the cover of *Seventy-Five: The Diamond Anniversary of a Science Fiction Pioneer Jack Williamson*)

