

# POETRY AT THE CLAREMONT LIBRARY

## 2 P.M. Sunday, February 26th

THE FRIENDS OF THE CLAREMONT LIBRARY PRESENT A READING BY

**TIMOTHY STEELE AND ROBERT MEZEY**



**Timothy Steele** is a professor of English at California State University, Los Angeles. His most recent book of poems is *Toward the Winter Solstice* (Swallow Press/Ohio University Press, 2006). Earlier poems are collected in *Sapphics and Uncertainties: Poems 1970-1986* and *The Color Wheel*. In addition, he has published two volumes of literary criticism and has also edited *The Poems of J. V. Cunningham*.

Steele's honors include a Guggenheim Fellowship, a Peter I. B. Lavan Younger Poets Award from the Academy of American Poets, the Los Angeles PEN Center's Literary Award for Poetry, a California Arts Council Grant, a Commonwealth Club of California Medal for Poetry, and the Robert Fitzgerald Award for Excellence in the Study of Prosody. Born in Burlington, Vermont, in 1948, Steele lives with his wife in Los Angeles.

**Robert Mezey** is a well-known and respected member of the Claremont community, and a frequent guest of our poetry readings. Robert was professor and poet-in-residence at Pomona College from 1976 to 2002. He has won the Lamont, a PEN prize, an award from the American Academy of Arts and Letters, the Poets Prize and many others. He has received fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation, Ingram Merrill, and the NEA. In 2010 he received an honorary degree from his alma mater, Kenyon.



His books of verse include *The Lovemaker*, *White Blossoms*, *Selected Translations*, *The Door Standing Open: Selected Poems*, *Evening Wind* and *Collected Poems 1957-1999*. He has edited many books of poetry; with the late Dick Barnes, his frequent collaborator, he translated the collected poems of Jorge Luis Borges. Robert has forthcoming publications: one of his own poems, *To the Gathering Vacancy*; and *Now You Need Me: Selected Poems of Virginia Hamilton Adair*, co-edited with Nancy Ware.

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