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**HUMANITIES WEST PRESENTS
A PREVIEW LECTURE FOR**

“Athens in its Golden Age: The Time of Pericles”

with

George Hammond

7PM, TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2008

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Join George Hammond for a free preview lecture for Humanities West’s two-day lecture series *Athens in its Golden Age: The Time of Pericles*, The political leader and famous orator Pericles inspired the 5th century BCE Athenians to build the Parthenon, still exquisite even in ruin 2500 years later. Hammond will cut through the many myths about the Athenians’ democratic society to the very encouraging conclusion that their enduring contributions to our cultural wealth were created in the midst of political chaos. The Athenians' art, architecture, politicians and philosophers all play their part in this fascinating story.

This is a one- hour preview of *Athens in its Golden Age: The Time of Pericles*, Humanities West’s two-day program of lectures, discussions, and theatrical presentations on the significant contributions of 5th-century Athens to art, architecture, philosophy, and theatre, on Friday and Saturday, May 2 & 3, 2008 at Herbst Theater. (see additional news release)

George Hammond is a San Francisco attorney and the author of four novels, a collection of short stories and six philosophical books on issues in rational idealism, theoretical physics, Plato’s theory, early Christianity, the Soviet Union, psychology and constitutional law.

What: *Athens in its Golden Age: The Time of Pericles*
Preview Lecture with guest speaker George Hammond

When: 7 pm, Tuesday, April 22, 2008

Where: Orinda Library, 26 Orinda Way, Orinda, CA

Cost: FREE

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