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Presents: An Interview with Howard Goldblatt*



Monday April 7, 2014 at 7 pm Friedhoff Hall Green Center

*Howard Goldblatt was most recently Research Professor at the University of Notre Dame, where he directed the Center for Asian Studies. Founding editor of the scholarly journal Modern Chinese Literature (now Modern Chinese Literature and Culture), he is the author or editor of several books and many articles on modern and contemporary Chinese literature and culture. He is especially well known as a literary translator of fiction from China, Taiwan, and Hong Kong. Authors he has translated include many early 20th-century novelists and virtually all the major figures of the post-Mao era. In 1999, his translation with Sylvia Li-chun Lin of Notes of a Desolate Man by Taiwanese novelist Chu T'ien-wen (Columbia University Press US, hc, 1999, pb, 2000), was honored as translation of the year by the American Literary Translators Association. His most recent translations include Wolf Totem by Jiang Rong (Penguin US, hc, 2008, pb, 2009), winner of the 2007 Man Asian Literary Prize; Life and Death Are Wearing Me Out by 2012 Nobel Laureate Mo Yan (Arcade Publishing, hc, 2008), recipient of the 2009 Newman Prize for Chinese Literature, and Su Tong's Boat to Redemption (Doubleday UK, hc, 2010), winner of the 2009 Man Asian Literary Prize. He has received two translation grants from the National Endowment for the Arts and, in 2009, a Guggenheim Fellowship.