

To Our Readers

Thank you for taking in hand this 238th issue of *The Georgia Review*.

As we celebrate the journal's sixtieth year of continuous quarterly publication at The University of Georgia, we invite you to help ensure the *Review's* future by taking a close look at its present:

First, we urge you to find time in the coming weeks to examine this issue in its entirety, because we believe then we will have the greatest chance of keeping you on as a reader of subsequent issues. We place great value on all elements of the journal—the essays, the stories, the poems, and the book reviews—and we hope you will give yourself an opportunity to engage with all of them, even if you are usually a prose-only or a poetry-only person.

Second, if you like all or much of what you see, we ask that you join us in the vital job of getting *The Georgia Review* into the hands of *new* readers. You can do this by word of mouth (or mail, or e-mail) and by giving gift subscriptions—to family and friends, of course, but also to libraries, schools, doctors' offices, and other gathering places for potential readers. If each current *Review* subscriber were to give just one gift, the effect on the journal's stability and reach would be enormous, both for our staff and for our deserving authors.

Third, we ask you to give us feedback on what you read. You can do this in letters meant for possible publication or via private remarks that may help us to gauge more finely what and how we are doing.

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Some observant readers of recent issues will have noticed that *The Georgia Review* has not been keeping to its announced publication schedule. This problem will be resolved with the next issue, Fall/Winter 2006, in December. That double number will continue our anniversary celebration by featuring selected correspondence from the *Review's* archives, as well as new work by some of the finest veteran writers who have enriched our pages in recent years—among them David Bosworth, Edward Butscher, Alison Cadbury, Albert Goldbarth, Mary Hood, Judith Kitchen, Kent Meyers, J. Allyn Rosser, and Paul Zimmer.

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With this issue we welcome to our board of advisory and contributing editors the Pulitzer Prize-winning poet and essayist Stephen Dunn.

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