



New Mythos Grant Update

The New Mythos 2010 Grant cycle has officially ended and we are over the moon with the success of the project. We have been collecting the incredible research reports and final projects these past few months and will continue to share them as they arrive here at the archives.

So to celebrate this New Year we joyfully present the work of Daniel Lentz, composer of "The Beginning, An Oratorio".

Daniel's New Mythos project was the composition of "The Beginning", an oratorio that sought to weave together ancient creation myths and the modern creation myth of the Big Bang. He wanted "to explore the commonalities between these ancient and modern stories, resulting in a path to a new mythos, expressed through poetry and original music."

Daniel has completed the score of "The Beginning" and gave us a 6 minute excerpt to share with our community. [Note: this was recorded entirely "virtual" - the final professional recording will be of live musicians and vocalists.] When Daniel sent this excerpt over he gave these instructions "If you have headphones, I would recommend using them rather than your computer speakers. And it should be as loud as you can endure."

We hope you enjoy Daniel's incredible creation.



Click [here](#) to listen to an excerpt from "The Beginning".

To read his research report that shows his process and inspiration in the manuscript collections of Joseph Campbell and others please click [here](#)

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"I would say the goddess energy is trying to save us. If we go on with our power tactics,

we're going to destroy the earth. That's why we haven't got a long time to evolve. We're either going to make a leap in consciousness or we aren't going to be here. Sophia, Shakti, by whatever name we call her, is that wisdom deep down in all matter, pushing her way into consciousness, one way or another. We have to be aware of earthquakes and

To learn more about Daniel visit his website at <http://www.daniellentzmusic.com>

Upcoming Event

On February 17th OPUS will be hosting Robert Romanyshyn for an evening titled "Psyche and Nature: Notes toward a Radical Ecopsychology". Robert will present a film he created after a journey to the Antarctic and will share insights, thoughts, deep gleanings. More information will follow soon!

Saturday Hours at the Campbell & Gimbutas Library

The Joseph Campbell and Marija Gimbutas Library is open to the public from 2:30-4:30 every Saturday, no appointment necessary!



The Campbell and Gimbutas library is nestled next to the research library at Pacifica's lower campus – 249 Lambert Road. Please click [here](#) for directions and more information.

hurricanes. What are their rumblings trying to tell us?"

Marion Woodman, *Conscious Femininity* p. 97.

JCF Mythological RoundTable® Group

Join Safron's monthly discussion group on Joseph Campbell and his work on myth.

Thursday, February 10th 2011
The Mythic Dimension, chapter "Renewal Myths and Rites"

OPUS on the Ladera campus of Pacifica Graduate Institute
801 Ladera Lane
6:30-8:30PM

For more information or questions, visit [OPUS](#) or contact us at info@opusarchives.org or 805-969-5750.

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