Nature & Culture

Religious Studies 223IH ~~~ Spring, 2011

Nature loves to hide. --Heraclitus

11 am-12:15, T, TH
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Nature is culture's looking glass.

texts:

- J.M. Coetzee, *Foe: A Novel.* Penguin, 1998.
- Lorraine Daston and Gregg Mitman, eds, *Thinking with Animals: New Perspectives on Anthropomorphism.* Columbia University Press, 2006.
- Lee Alan Dugatkin, *Mr. Jefferson and the Giant Moose.* University of Chicago Press, 2009.
- Verlyn Klinkenborg, *Timothy, or Notes of an Abject Reptile.* Vintage, 2007.
- Additional class handouts and on-line references.

Culture is nature's child.

course requirements (no prerequisites):

reading assignments—on time (from textbooks, on-line sources, and handouts)
class attendance and participation
in-class assignments (10 points maximum) and studyguides (include in Album folder)
Sorry, no make ups on in-class work.
Album—on time, typed and in folder (200 points)
(Full instructions on Cover Sheet A)
February 10 Album Topic: Cover Sheet A
March 3 Album Image: Cover Sheet B
March 31 Album Bibliography: Cover Sheet C
April 21 Completed Album: Cover Sheet D
Please use a pocket folder (folder with pockets) or small binder for class assignments, studyguides, and the completed Album. Recycling of binders encouraged.
two exams
February 24
April 28
Each exam will have a take-home question (25 points) to be turned in, typed, with the in-class exam. (75 points).

If to the moon
one puts a handle—what
a splendid fan! *--Sokan*

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are needed to see this picture.