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## Abstract

The University of Pennsylvania Libraries A.S.W. Rosenbach Lectures in Bibliography for 2010:

Monday, March 22, 2010: "First Impressions"

Welcome: David McKnight (00:01-06:00); Introduction: Peter Stallybrass (06:00-13:02); Lecture: Elizabeth L. Eisenstein (13:02-59:57); Question and Answer: (59:57-01:12:33)

Tuesday, March 23, 2010: "Eighteenth-Century Attitudes"

Introduction: David McKnight, Libby Kislak (00:01-07:02); Lecture: Elizabeth L. Eisenstein (07:02-52:57); Question and Answer: (52:57-01:07:31)

Thursday, March 25, 2010: "From Steam Press to Cyberspace"

Welcome: David McKnight (00:01-04:32); Introduction: Roger Chartier (04:32-11:33); Lecture: Elizabeth L. Eisenstein (11:33-59:05); Question and Answer: (59:20-01:09:22)

The 2010 Rosenbach Fellow, Elizabeth L. Eisenstein, is a graduate of Vassar College and Harvard University and is Professor Emerita of History at the University of Michigan. Her classic work *The Printing Press as an Agent of Change: Communications and Cultural Transformations in Early Modern Europe* (1979) is available in many formats and languages, and her other works include *Grub Street Abroad: Aspects of the French Cosmopolitan Press from the Age of Louis XIV to the French Revolution* (1992). Professor Eisenstein received the Scholarly Distinction award from the American Historical Association in 2002. An expanded version of these lectures has been published as *Divine Art, Infernal Machine: The Reception of Printing in the West from First Impressions to the Sense of an Ending* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2011).

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