

“Call him an  
Architect of  
Dreams.”

--*Locus Online*



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World FANTASY AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR

-- JEFFREY FORD --

will BE READING FROM HIS WORK IN THE

SCHEUER ROOM

5:00 PM

Wednesday January 31<sup>st</sup>

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“Over the last decade, Jeffrey Ford has emerged as one of America's master fantasists. Subtle, shrewd, stylish and intensely surprising, he is a leading exponent of what Michael Swanwick has termed hard fantasy: fantastic literature that is authentically original rather than safely conventional, that strikes to the surreal heart of human nature with a fresh, courageous novelty and flair.

This is amply evident in Ford's highly regarded trilogy of novels concerning the Physiognomist Cley and other denizens of the Well-Built City: *The Physiognomy* (1997, winner of the World Fantasy Award), *Memoranda* (1999) and *The Beyond* (2001). His growing prowess was further attested by two books published in 2002, the major magic-realist historical thriller *The Portrait of Mrs. Charbuque* and the striking story collection *The Fantasy Writer's Assistant* (Golden Gryphon Press).”

-- **Science Fiction Weekly**

Mr. Ford's most recent works include *The Girl in the Glass: A Novel*, published in 2005, and a second short-story collection, *The Empire of Ice Cream*, published in 2006.

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