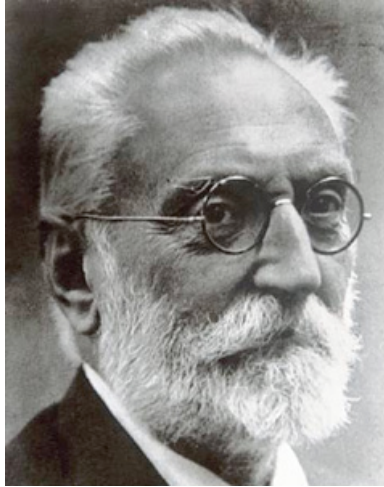




Institute of World Culture

“To achieve the impossible, attempt the absurd.”

Miguel de Unamuno



1864-1931

Spanish philosopher, political activist and literary icon

Seminar: Saturday, November 20, 2010

2:00 – 5:00 pm

Concord House, 1407 Chapala St., Santa Barbara

Speaker: Cliff Tillotson

A modern day Spanish Socrates, Miguel de Unamuno throws us back upon ourselves to fearlessly struggle with the Big Questions of Life. Come plunge into the dynamic life, paradoxical mind and powerful heart of this genuine and quixotic Spaniard called by his contemporaries, “The Awakener”.

No Spanish voice was heard during the fifty years of his active intellectual life which could compare with his in the strength of his passion nor in the profound seriousness with which he challenged every complacency, whether of literature, politics, or philosophy. He was primarily a nonconformist, a spiritual rebel in the tradition of the great heretics: a searcher for a truth that was not rational, but of the living sort which man has to find within himself. ---Angel Del Rio

*No figure in modern literature has been more personal than Miguel de Unamuno, and yet there is no personality more difficult to define and assess. He himself disliked easy classifications: he was a philosopher and poet, a novelist and a teacher, an essayist and political prophet, but above all, he was the incarnation of his country, one whose consciousness was ‘a Spanish consciousness’, made in Spain. ---William Jay Smith recently in *The New York Times**

For more information, please check the IWC webpage: www.worldculture.org.