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## UCSB Professors Examine 'The Da Vinci Code'

A panel of UC Santa Barbara scholars will explore issues raised by "The Da Vinci Code," Dan Brown's spellbinding conspiracy thriller about the Holy Grail, in a UCSB History Associates program on Friday, June 2 at 7 p.m.

The panel will feature Hal Drake, a professor of history who specializes in ancient Rome and Christian historiography; Christine Thomas, associate professor of religious studies and a scholar of early Christianity; and Robert Williams, professor of the history of art and architecture and an expert on Italian Renaissance art.

The program will be held in Trinity Episcopal Church, 1500 State Street, Santa Barbara.

The cost of the event is \$10 for UCSB History Associates or Chancellor's Council members, \$12 for others.

Contact the UCSB Office of Community Relations at 893-4388 to register, as space is limited.

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of faculty, students, and staff is characterized by a culture of interdisciplinary collaboration that is responsive to the needs of our multicultural and global society. All of this takes place within a living and learning environment like no other, as we draw inspiration from the beauty and resources of our extraordinary location at the edge of the Pacific Ocean.