

The Immortal Lovers:

Robert and
Elizabeth Barrett
Browning

Tuesday, Sept. 15 at 7:30 p.m.

Tom Smith Auditorium
of Ralph W. Ketner Hall

on the campus of **Catawba College**

Dr. W. Craig Turner,

the current president of Catawba College, developed his love of English literature as an undergraduate at Baylor University. After completing a B.A. in English and History at Baylor, he remained in Waco long enough to earn an M.A. in English before moving on to finish his Ph.D. in British and American Literature at Tulane University. Subsequently Dr. Turner taught at Texas A & M University and Mississippi College before moving to Hardin-Simmons University, initially as Vice President for Academic Affairs and Professor of English. In 2001 he was named president of Hardin-Simmons, and remained in that post until 2008 when he came to Salisbury as the twenty-first president of Catawba College.



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Throughout his career, Dr. Turner has nurtured a special affection for the work of the Victorian poet and playwright Robert Browning and his wife, Elizabeth Barrett Browning.

"The story of the courtship and marriage of Robert Browning and Elizabeth Barrett," he writes, "remains the most romantic true story of two writers in the history of our language more than 160 years after they exchanged vows. Their poetry remains among the best in the history of England, and their story continues to interest and inspire."

Dr. Turner will expand on the story of Robert and Elizabeth Barrett Browning at the first Catawba College Community Forum of the 2009-2010 academic year.

Admission as always is free.