

## JASNA

# Jane Austen Society of North America

#### You are Cordially Invited to JASNA-Vermont's June Meeting

### ~ 'Why Jane Austen?' ~

with

#### Rachel Brownstein\*

What do we want from Jane Austen?  $\sim$  Why do we want it?  $\sim$  and What do we get from the movies, the fan fiction, and the Novels?

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#### Sunday, 3 June 2012, 2 - 4 p.m.

Champlain College, Hauke Conference Center, 375 Maple St Burlington VT

~Free & Open to the Public~ ~Light refreshments served~

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\*We are honored to welcome Professor **Rachel Brownstein**, author of *Becoming a Heroine* (1982), *Tragic Muse: Rachel of the Comedie-Francaise* (1993), and *Why Jane Austen*? (2011). Films, feminism, and popular fetishes are among the subjects of her new work, an engaging treasure-filled meditation on Jane Austen as writer, woman, social commentator, and 21st-century icon. But most of all it is about **reading**, which Brownstein has been encouraging people to do, at Brooklyn College and the Graduate School of CUNY, for several decades.

Sept. 23: Burlington Book Festival: 'An Afternoon with Jane Austen': authors Elsa Solender on Jane Austen in Love: An Entertainment, Stuart Bennett on The Perfect Visit, and more!
 Dec. 2: Annual Birthday Tea with Paul Monod of Middlebury College on "The Royal Navy in the Age of Nelson, 1775-1815"
 Mar. 2013 [TBA]: "'Fifty Miles of Good Road': Travelling in Jane Austen" with Deb Barnum