

# **The Inaugural Kidwell Distinguished Lecture in Evolutionary Genetics\***

## **Darwin's Revolution: From Natural Theology to Natural Selection**



### **Francisco J. Ayala**

**Dr. Ayala is a University Professor and Donald Bren Professor of Biological Sciences and Professor of Logic and Philosophy at the University of California, Irvine. In addition to his pioneering work in population and evolutionary biology, he is one of the founders of the field of the philosophy of biology and is well known for his perspective on the compatibility of science and religion.**

**Ayala is a member of many prestigious international scientific societies including the United States National Academy of Sciences.**

**His numerous honors and awards include the 2001 National Medal of Science, the 2010 Templeton Prize and the Gold Honorary Gregor Mendel Medal of the Czech Academy of Sciences**

**Wednesday, March 9, 2016**

**Stevie Eller Dance Theater**

**3:00pm**

**\*Dr. Ayala will introduce the 1<sup>st</sup> International Mendel Day Celebration, 4-7 pm  
Tuesday, March 8, 2016; see <http://www.genetics.arizona.edu/> for details**

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