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DURHAM, N.H. – Historian Eric Foner will speak on Abraham Lincoln and slavery as part of the Rutman Distinguished Lecture Series on the American Presidency at the University of New Hampshire Monday, Oct. 23, 2017, at 7 p.m. in the Huddleston Hall Ballroom. The event is free and open to the public but registration is required.

Foner is one of America’s most prominent historians, writing and speaking widely on the intersections of intellectual, political and social history, and the history of American race relations. He is the author of more than 20 books, including “The Fiery Trial: Abraham Lincoln and American Slavery,” which won the Bancroft Prize, the Pulitzer Prize for History and The Lincoln Prize, among other awards. His 1988 book, “Reconstruction: America’s Unfinished Revolution, 1863-1877,” won the Bancroft Prize, the Parkman Prize, and the Los Angeles Times Book Award, among others.

Foner is DeWitt Clinton Professor of History at Columbia University, where he also earned his doctoral degree. He is one of only two persons to serve as president of three major professional organizations: the Organization of American Historians, American Historical Association and Society of American Historians, and one of a handful to have won the Bancroft and Pulitzer prizes in the same year.

Housed in the College of Liberal Arts at UNH, the Rutman Distinguished Lecture Series on the American Presidency is generously supported by J. Morgan ’84 and Tara Rutman. The series focuses on American political history with an emphasis on the modern and historical context of the American presidency. The 2017 Rutman Lecture is part of Celebrate 150: The Campaign for UNH (https://www.unh.edu/give/), celebrating 150 years of success at UNH and setting a bold course for the next 150 years.

For more information, visit cola.unh.edu/eric-foner (https://cola.unh.edu/eric-foner).

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