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UNH Hosts World-Renowned Presidential Historian Doris Kearns Goodwin Sept. 29



Pulitzer Prize-winning author Doris Kearns Goodwin will speak as part of the Rutman Distinguished Lecture Series on the American Presidency at the University of New Hampshire Monday, Sept. 29, 2014

DURHAM, N.H. -- Pulitzer Prize-winning author Doris Kearns Goodwin will speak as part of the Rutman Distinguished Lecture Series on the American Presidency at the University of New Hampshire Monday, Sept. 29, 2014, at 7 p.m. in Johnson Theatre at the Paul Creative Arts Center. The event, "Leadership Lessons of History: Doris Kearns Goodwin on the American Presidents," is free and open to the public but tickets are required. Visit unh.universitytickets.com.

The Rutman Distinguished Lecture Series on the American Presidency is generously supported by J. Morgan '84 and Tara Rutman in collaboration with the President's Distinguished Speakers Series. The lecture series focuses on American political history with an emphasis on the modern and historical context of the American Presidency.

Goodwin is the author of six critically acclaimed and *New York Times* best-selling books, including her most recent, *The Bully Pulpit: Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft, and the Golden Age of Journalism* (November, 2013). *The Bully Pulpit* is a dynamic history of the first decade of the Progressive era, that tumultuous time when the nation was coming unseamed and reform was in the air. Steven Spielberg's DreamWorks Studios has acquired the film rights to the book.

Spielberg and Goodwin previously worked together on *Lincoln*, based in part on Goodwin's award-winning *Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln*, an epic tome that illuminates Lincoln's political genius, as the one-term congressman and prairie lawyer rises from obscurity to prevail over three gifted rivals of national reputation to become president.

Goodwin was awarded the Pulitzer Prize in history for *“No Ordinary Time: Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt: The HomeFront in World War II”*, and is the author of the best sellers *“Wait Till Next Year”*, *“Lyndon Johnson and the American Dream”* and *“The Fitzgeralds and the Kennedys”*, which was adapted into an award-winning five-part TV miniseries.

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