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Eboo Patel, founder and executive director of the Interfaith Youth Core, and two Pulitzer Prize winners — *New York Times* columnist Nicholas Kristof and journalist and author Isabel Wilkerson — headline the 2012-2013 University of Dayton Speaker Series.

In all, seven powerful speakers are slated to come to campus and give free public addresses as part of a series that illuminates how education transforms lives and societies.

"The line-up emerged from intensive review of and dialogue about more than 100 nominees, and it represents a real 'dream team.' These speakers bring a wide range of expertise, experience and perspectives to bear on issues crucial to education, and we are thrilled to host them as part of an extended conversation at UD this year," said Sheila Hassell Hughes, chair of the University of Dayton's English department, who directs the series.

The schedule includes:

- Dan Gediman, executive director of *This I Believe*, a nonprofit organization that collects and presents the personal philosophies of people from all walks of life, will give a talk at 7 p.m., Sept. 12, in the Kennedy Union Ballroom. All incoming students are reading *This I Believe II* this summer. His talk is co-sponsored by the First-Year Read Program.
- "Nuremberg: Its Lesson For Today," screening of the official documentary of the Nuremberg trial at 4:30 p.m., Oct. 24, in the 1700 South Patterson Building on River Campus. Sandra Schulberg, president of Schulberg Productions and daughter of the film's writer and director, will introduce the documentary, which her company restored frame by frame. U.S. District Court Judge Walter Rice will moderate a panel discussion at 7 p.m. Schulberg will participate along with University of Dayton professors from a variety of disciplines. Law students and the public are invited to hear law professor Thaddeus Hoffmeister talk about the Nuremberg legacy and the law from 9 to 10:30 a.m., Oct. 25, in the Mathias H. Heck Courtroom in Keller Hall on campus. The events are co-sponsored by the Gutmann Lectureship in Judaic Studies.
- Isabel Wilkerson, Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and bestselling author of *The Warmth of Other Suns*, a nonfiction book about the Great Migration, speaks at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 13, in the Kennedy Union Ballroom. In 1994, she won a Pulitzer Prize for her work as Chicago bureau chief of *The New York Times* for pieces on the rural heartache of the Midwest floods and a profile of a 10-year-old boy on the South side of Chicago. A book signing will follow.
- Ana Castillo, celebrated poet, novelist, short story writer and essayist, will give an address at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 29, in the Kennedy Union Ballroom. An American Book Award winner, Castillo is the author or editor of more than a dozen books and is well known as a Chicana feminist activist. A book signing will follow.
- Eboo Patel, founder and executive director of the Interfaith Youth Core, will keynote the annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. holiday celebration at 7:30 p.m., Jan. 22, in the RecPlex. He's written *Acts of Faith: The Story of an American Muslim, the Struggle for the Soul of a Generation*. In "The Faith Divide" blog at [washingtonpost.com](http://washingtonpost.com), Patel considers the religious events and issues that bring people together or drive them apart. A book signing will follow.
- Michelle Alexander, highly acclaimed civil rights lawyer, advocate and legal scholar, will speak at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 12, in the Kennedy Union Ballroom. She's the *New York Times*' best-selling author of *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness*. A book signing will follow.
- Nicholas Kristof, two-time Pulitzer Prize-winning *New York Times* columnist and co-author of *Half the Sky: Turning Oppression Into Opportunity for Women Worldwide*, will speak at 1 p.m., March 9, in the 1700 South Patterson Building on River Campus. His talk is co-sponsored by the University of Dayton's Social Justice Convention: Consciousness Rising, which raises awareness about human trafficking. A book signing will follow.
- Sir Ken Robinson, internationally recognized leader in the development of education, creativity and innovation, will keynote the annual Brother Joseph W. Stander Symposium at 7:30 p.m., April 16, in the RecPlex. His *New York Times*' bestseller, *The Element: How Finding Your Passion Changes Everything*, has been translated into 21 languages. A book signing will follow.

Co-sponsors for the University of Dayton Speaker Series include the *Dayton Daily News*, WDAO-Radio, YWCA Dayton, the Bob Ross Auto Group Ross and Markey's Audio Visual.

For more on the University of Dayton Speaker Series, see [go.udayton.edu/speakerseries](http://go.udayton.edu/speakerseries).

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