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The University of Dayton

PULITZER-PRIZE WINNER FEATURED
AT WRITERS' WORKSHOP AND LECTURE

News Release

DAYTON, Ohio, March 4, 1987--Frances FitzGerald, who won a Pulitzer Prize for her 1972 novel Fire in the Lake, will be the guest speaker for the University of Dayton's Distinguished Speakers Series at 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, and will keynote UD's day-long Writers' Workshop Thursday, March 12.

The lecture is free and open to the public and will be in the Kennedy Union Ballroom. The workshop, also in Kennedy Union, will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

FitzGerald writes or has written for several publications including "Vogue," "Atlantic Monthly," "The New Yorker," and "Harper's." She wrote her bestselling book, Fire in the Lake, after spending a year in Vietnam as a free-lance reporter in the mid-1960s. America Revised, another of her books, is the result of FitzGerald's research on the textbook industry--a system which, according to her studies, produces biased and inaccurate accounts of history.

She has most recently published Cities on the Hill, an objective look at American society through four narrow groups: a homosexual community in San Francisco; Jerry Falwell's church congregation; a Florida retirement home; and the central Oregon commune Rajneeshpuram. These groups, in her words, bring "distillation and explicitness" to trends in society that broader movements cannot.

In addition to FitzGerald's talk, other workshop topics will include writing poetry, fiction, plays, corporate communications, features, advertising, children's literature, and criticism and reviews.

With the exception of FitzGerald's lecture, all presentations will be arranged into four rounds of concurrent sessions and will be offered more than once.

For workshop fee information, call UD's Department of English at 229-3434.

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