

Isabel Allende returns to leadership lecture series

Allende presented her latest novel, *Ripper*, an atmospheric, fast-paced mystery involving a brilliant teenage sleuth who must unmask a serial killer in San Francisco. She appeared on stage in conversation with her husband, William Gordon.

For more information or to purchase tickets and the book, contact Book Passage in Corte Madera by calling (415) 927-0960 extension 1 or visiting www.bookpassage.com.

The [speaker series](#), a cooperative effort between [Dominican's ILS](#) and Book Passage, features some of the country's leading figures from the worlds of business, politics, entertainment, academia, and literature. It has entertained and educated thousands of Marin County and San Francisco Bay Area residents.

All lectures are open to the public.

Free parking is available on campus in the nearby Conlan Center parking lot at the intersection of Acacia and Grand avenues.

Last April, Allende appeared in Angelico Hall on the day her last book, *Maya's Notebook*, was released. Her books of fiction and non-fiction are celebrated throughout the world. She is the recipient of several awards, including The John Steinbeck Prize, The Hans Christian Anderson Prize, and 14 honorary degrees from national and international universities, including Dominican.

Allende, who created The Isabel Allende Foundation to empower women and girls worldwide, is the author of 20 books that have been translated into 35 languages and sold more than 60 million copies. Two of her books have been turned into international movies.

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