

Naturalist Helen Macdonald speaks in spring lecture series

New York Times bestselling nature writer and professional falconer Helen Macdonald spoke at Dominican University of California on March 30, as part of the Institute for Leadership Studies' 2016 Spring Lecture Series in partnership with Book Passage.

Macdonald, daughter of acclaimed photographer Alisdair Macdonald, discussed her bestselling memoir *H is for Hawk*, which won the 2014 Samuel Johnson Prize and Costa Book Award. Her poetry collection, *Shaler's Fish*, also was recently republished. Macdonald is a writer, illustrator, and historian, as well as an affiliated research scholar at the Department of History and Philosophy of Science at the University of Cambridge.

For more information or to purchase *H is for Hawk*, contact Book Passage in Corte Madera by calling (415) 927-0960 extension 1 or by visiting bookpassage.com.

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

All events 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 in San Rafael.

The Institute for Leadership Studies' [2016 Spring Lecture Series](#) is sponsored by Private Ocean, the oldest and largest privately-held wealth management firm in Marin County. Private Ocean's commitment to community service has been a driving force behind its support of the lecture series, now in its 14th year.

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