

## ILS Fall Leadership Lecture Series lineup announced

World record long-distance swimmer Diana Nyad, Pulitzer Prize-winning author Tracy Kidder, former U.S. Poet Laureate Billy Collins, and The Band's Robbie Robertson comprise the line-up for the 13th season of the Institute for Leadership Studies' Fall Leadership Lecture Series at Dominican University of California.

Nyad will open the [Fall 2016 Leadership Lecture Series](#) on September 14, followed by Kidder on September 28, Collins on October 10, and Robertson on November 30.

All lectures begin at 7 p.m. They are open to the public and will be held in Angelico Concert Hall on the Dominican campus. Doors open one hour prior to the programs. Free parking is available on campus in the nearby Conlan Center parking lot at the intersection of Acacia and Grand avenues.

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. The [series](#) has entertained and educated thousands of Marin County and San Francisco Bay Area residents.

On Wednesday night, September 14, sports journalist Diana Nyad, the greatest long-distance swimmer in the world in the 1970s, will appear at Dominican with her book, *Find a Way*. In 2013, she triumphantly emerged onto the shores of Key West after achieving a goal for more than 30 years by becoming, at the age of 64, the first person to swim from Cuba to Florida.

Tickets for the Nyad event are \$25 and include an autographed copy of her memoir *Find a Way*.

On Wednesday night, September 28, Tracy Kidder, award-winning bestselling author of *The Soul of the New Machine* and *Mountains Beyond Mountains*, comes to Dominican with his new book, *A Truck Full of Money*. It is the story of Kayak.com founder and American maverick Paul English, who was once called "The Pied Piper of geeks."

Tickets for the Kidder event are \$35 and include a signed copy of *A Truck Full of Money*.

On Monday night, October 10, Billy Collins, dubbed "America's favorite poet" by *The Wall Street Journal*, returns to Dominican with his 12th collection of poetry offering nearly 50 new poems entitled, *The Rain in Portugal: New Poems*. A near capacity crowd greeted Collins in 2013 when he last appeared in Angelico Concert Hall.

Tickets to the Collins event are \$35 and include an autographed copy of *The Rain in Portugal: New Poems*.

On Wednesday night, November 30, Robbie Robertson, one of the most beloved songwriters and guitarists of all-time, make his debut at Dominican. He will discuss *Testimony*, his memoir of The Band's storied career, which culminated in one of music history's most famous farewell concerts, *The Last Waltz*, in 1976 in San Francisco.

Tickets to the Robertson event are \$38 and include an autographed copy of *Testimony*.

**For more information or to purchase any of the above-mentioned books, contact Book Passage in Corte Madera by calling (415) 927-0960 extension 1 or visiting [bookpassage.com/dominican](http://bookpassage.com/dominican).**

The Institute for Leadership Studies' Fall 2016 Leadership 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.

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