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Brokaw, former Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm, and authors Eve Ensler, Isabel Allende, Anne Lamott, and Robert Bellah, are headlining Dominican's ILS Lecture Series this winter and spring.

Bellah, in cooperation with Dominican's First Year Experience Big History program, will present *Religion in Human Evolution* in the next ILS Lecture Series event on Thursday, February 9. He is known as the greatest living sociologist of religion. His book examines our biological past to discover the kinds of lives that human beings have most. The lecture series is a cooperative effort between [Dominican's ILS](#) and independent book store Book Passage. Each year, the Leadership Lecture Series features some of the country's leading figures from the world of business, politics, entertainment, academia, and literature.

All lectures are open to the public. With the exception of the Ensler/Isabel Allende event on February 24, admission is free with preferred seating available with advance purchase of a book from Book Passage. Tickets for "A Conversation with Eve Ensler and Isabel Allende" are \$35. Admission includes a copy of Ensler's book, *I Am An Emotional Creature*. To purchase tickets, call Book Passage at 415-927-0960.

Brokaw is a special correspondent for NBC News. He is known for his landmark work in American journalism and for the New York Times bestsellers *The Greatest Generation and Boom!* He now turns his attention to the challenges that face America in the new millennium in *The Time of Our Lives: A conversation about America; Who We Are, Where We've Been, and Where We Need to Go Now, to Recapture the American Dream*.

On February 24, Ensler will appear in conversation with award-winning author and journalist Allende. Ensler is the Tony award-winning author of *The Vagina Monologues*. Her newest play, *Emotional Creature*, will make its world premiere at the Berkeley Rep in June 2012. In her book, *I Am an Emotional Creature*, Ensler offers fictional monologues and stories inspired by girls around the globe.

On March 25, Granholm, who in January 2002 was the first woman ever to be sworn in as governor of Michigan, will appear with her husband, leadership expert Dan Mulhern, to present *A Governor's Story: The Fight for Jobs and America's Economic Future*.

On April 11, novelist and non-fiction writer Anne Lamott, author of several New York Times bestsellers including *Imperfect Birds*, will appear with her son, Sam, to discuss *Some Assembly Required*. The book chronicles Sam's first year as a father at 19 and Lamott's own evolution from mother to grandmother.

On April 25, Bay Area native and Fulbright Scholar Michael David Lukas will talk with author and KQED host Michael Krasny about Lukas' acclaimed debut novel, *The Oracle of Stamboul*. The novel about a young girl who changes the course of the Ottoman Empire is this year's One Book One Marin selection.

The 2011 Leadership Lecture Series is sponsored by Private Ocean, the Marin-based wealth management company. Circle Bank is platinum sponsor for the Brokaw and Granholm lectures.

For more information about the Leadership Lecture Series, please visit [www.dominican.edu/academics/businesslead/leadership/publiceventssymp.html](http://www.dominican.edu/academics/businesslead/leadership/publiceventssymp.html)

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