

Lecture Series

The University Lecture Series is an educational forum featuring distinguished speakers, performers, and public figures. The Series seeks to provide quality lecture programming which will stimulate and enhance the intellectual climate of our university and surrounding communities.

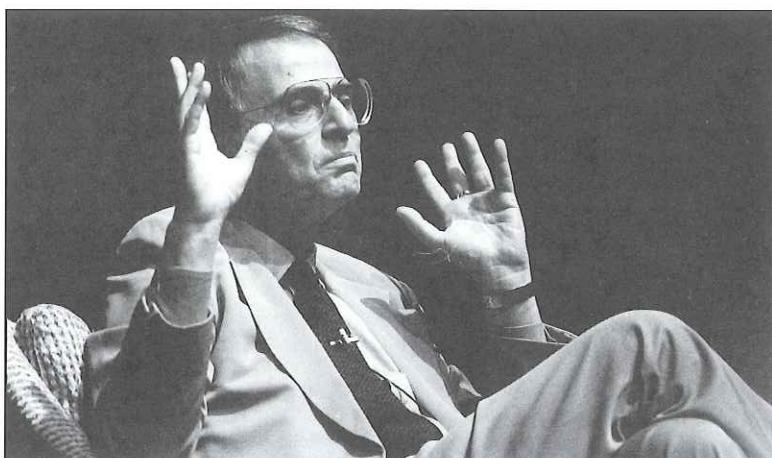
Featured speakers and performers have included Presidents Jimmy Carter and Gerald Ford, Israeli U.N. Ambassador Abba Eban, reporter Charlayne Hunter-Gault, journalists Carole Simpson and Fred Barnes, Senator Edmund Muskie, politician Henry Cisneros, Dr. Bernie Siegel, activists Maki Mandela and Ralph Nader, historian Martin Marty, attorneys Sarah Wedington and Alan Dershowitz, dancer Mikhail Baryshnikov, singers Sweet Honey in the Rock, author Ray Bradbury, playwright Luis Valdez, Nobel Laureate Elie Wiesel, and children's rights activist Marian Wright Edelman.

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Governor Mario Cuomo

As governor of New York, Mario Cuomo has focused the state's attention on education, homelessness, the infrastructure, governmental ethics, solid waste management, income tax reduction, and economic development.



Carl Sagan

Carl Sagan is professor of astronomy and space sciences and director of the laboratory for planetary studies at Cornell University. He played a leading role in the Mariner, Viking, and Voyager expeditions to the planets.



Shelton "Spike" Lee

Best known for "Malcolm X," award-winning director Shelton "Spike" Lee also wrote, directed, and co-starred in "Do the Right Thing" and "Mo' Better Blues."



Edward James Olmos

With a history of Tony and Academy Award nominations, Edward James Olmos acted and made his directorial debut in the highly acclaimed movie, "American Me."