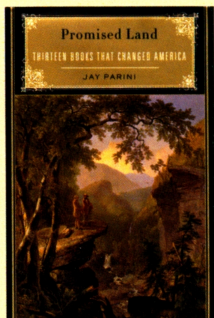


The Paul and June Schlueter Lecture in the Art and History of the Book



*“Promised Land:
Thirteen Books that Changed America”*

JAY PARINI '70

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4:30 p.m.

Gendebien Room, Skillman Library, Lafayette College

Reception to follow in the Simon Room with the exhibit

**PARINI'S PICKS:
THIRTEEN BOOKS THAT CHANGED AMERICA**





JAY PARINI received his B.A. from Lafayette College in 1970 and his Ph.D. from the University of St. Andrews in 1975. He taught English at Dartmouth College before joining the faculty of Middlebury in 1982. He is the author or editor of more than forty books, including poetry, fiction, criticism, and major biographies of John Steinbeck, Robert Frost, and William Faulkner. He was co-founder of the *New England Review* and serves as literary executor

for Gore Vidal. In early September, the film adaptation of his novel *The Last Station*, an account of the last year of Leo Tolstoy's life, premiered at the Telluride Film Festival. The film, starring Helen Mirren and Christopher Plummer, will be released in 2010.

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