President’s Distinguished Speakers Series

featuring

Ken Burns
Award-winning documentary filmmaker

University of New Hampshire President Mark W. Huddleston invites you to join him in welcoming Ken Burns as a featured guest in the President’s Distinguished Speakers Series.

Please join us
Friday, February 11, 2011
11 A.M.–12 P.M.
Granite State Room
Memorial Union Building

The President’s Distinguished Speakers Series recognizes leaders, thinkers, and celebrated individuals for their contributions to the world and brings them to the University to share their extensive experience with students, faculty, alumni, and guests.

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About Ken Burns

Ken Burns is a world-renowned historical documentary filmmaker who has produced and directed 24 award-winning films to date, including the immensely popular series The Civil War and Baseball. Burns’ films have garnered 12 Emmy Awards, two Oscar nominations, and numerous other major film and television honors. Widely regarded as one of the most influential filmmakers working today, Burns was honored with the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences’ Lifetime Achievement Award in 2008.

A native of Brooklyn, New York, Burns graduated from Hampshire College in Amherst, Massachusetts in 1975 and went on to co-found documentary film company Florentine Films in 1976. His debut film, Brooklyn Bridge, aired on PBS in May 1982, earning the filmmaker his first Academy Award nomination.

Burns’ subsequent projects have included the Academy Award-nominated The Statue of Liberty (1986), The Civil War (1990), Baseball (1994), Frank Lloyd Wright (1998), Jazz (2001), The War (2007), The National Parks: America’s Best Idea (2009), and The Tenth Inning, a 2010 update to Baseball, and many others. His newest film, a three-part, six-hour history of Prohibition, is scheduled to air on PBS in 2011.

In 2003, the University of New Hampshire honored New Hampshire resident Burns with the Pettee Medal, the UNH Alumni Association’s highest award.

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