

Thursday, November 8, 2012 7 p.m.

Jay Wilkinson

All-American football player for Duke University, and son of Bud Wilkinson, American legend and Hall of Fame football coach

An inspiring account of the timeless values—what it takes to win and to be successful, the importance of service to others—that his father, Bud Wilkinson, espoused in his letters to his son: Dear Jay, Love Dad: Bud Wilkinson's Letters to His Son.

Bud Wilkinson's Oklahoma football team won three national conferences, 14 conference titles, and 47 straight college games—a record that still stands today.

Jay Wilkinson, halfback for Duke University, was named All-American and Atlantic Coast Conference Player of the Year, and finished eighth in the voting for the Heisman trophy.

After graduating from Duke University, where he majored in political science and minored in religion, Wilkerson earned a degree from the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge, Massachusetts. He is the recipient of the United States Conference of Mayors Distinguished Service Award and the National Collegiate Association Silver Anniversary Award.

He is the author of *Bud Wilkinson*: An Intimate Portrait of an American Legend and Dear Jay, Love Dad: Bud Wilkinson's Letters To His Son.



Tuesday, December 4, 2012 7 p.m.

William Chang

Piano instructor, BlackRock Center for the Arts, and professor of music, Germantown Campus

Chang will present a music recital featuring two classical piano ballads: Ballade No.1 (Op. 23) by Frédéric Chopin and Ballade No.2 by Franz Liszt.

William Chang received his D.M.A. from the University of Maryland. He also studied at the Peabody Conservatory of Music for his M.M. and at the Toho School of Music in Tokyo, Japan for his B.M. He studied classical piano with Larissa Dedova and chamber music with Rita Sloan, and has performed at the Carnegie Recital Hall in New York City, and internationally in Japan, Korea, and the US. He is an adjunct faculty member at Montgomery College and a piano instructor at BlackRock Center for the Arts. His teachers include Boris Slutsky, Marian Hahn, Seth Knopp, Yasusi Hirose, Shuku Iwasaki, and Akira Miyoshi.

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Thursday, September 27, 2012 9:30 a.m.

David Smith

Senior manager for educational outreach, United States Institute for Peace



A Fulbright scholar, David Smith has worked in the field of conflict resolution, international education, and civil society and peace building. He serves on the Rockville, Maryland Human Rights Commission, has lectured on mediator practice in Sweden and India, has published articles in the *International Herald Tribune* and the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, and was awarded a juris doctorate from the University of Baltimore School of Law.

This program is in conjunction with the Montgomery College Peace and Justice Committee.



Thursday, October 11, 2012 7 p.m.

Peter Edelman

Co-director, joint degree in law and public policy; director, Center on Poverty, Inequality, and Public Policy; distinguished professor of law, Georgetown University Law Center

An informed and impassioned commentary on Edelman's recent 2012 book, So Rich, So Poor: Why It's So Hard to End Poverty in America.

Earning both his A.B. and LL.B. from Harvard University, Peter Edelman has served in all three branches of government: legislative assistant to Senator Robert Kennedy; counselor to Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala, and assistant secretary for planning and evaluation in the Clinton administration. He has written numerous books, articles, Supreme Court briefs, and Congressional testimony.

Edelman was interviewed in June on the Bill Moyer's show about his latest book, *So Rich, So Poor*, which received critical acclaim. One critic praised the book as "... powerful and eloquent—should be required reading for anyone who cares about the future of our nation." Ethel Kennedy agreed: "[Edelman's] compassionate and singular voice awakens our conscience and calls us to action."



Wednesday, October 24, 2012 7 p.m.

Nirupama Rao Ambassador of India to the United States

Democracy as the "life-blood" of the Indo-US strategic partnership and the American and Indian people, will be the focus of Ambassador Rao's examination of the relationships—cultural, economic, educational, and political—between India and the United States.

Before becoming ambassador of India to the United States, Ambassador Rao held the post of Indian foreign secretary, the head of the Indian Foreign Service—only the second woman to serve in this capacity. Previously, she was India's first woman ambassador to China. Her other ambassadorial assignments include Peru, Bolivia, and Sri Lanka, where she was also India's first woman high commissioner.

She holds an M.A. in English Literature and was recently awarded the degree of doctor of letters (honoris causa). She was also a fellow at the Centre for International Affairs at Harvard University.

She is author of a book of poetry, *Rain Rising*, which was translated into Chinese and Russian.





Tuesday, October 30, 2012 7 p.m.

Fred Fisher

Director of the International Development Institute



Stephen Gladson English professor, Montgomery College

Dialogue on war-torn Sarajevo as portrayed in Steven Galloway's novel, *The Cellist of Sarajevo*, which Khaled Hosseini, author of *The Kite Runner*, described as "... a testimony to the struggle to find meaning, grace, and humanity even amidst the most unimaginable horrors."

Highlighting the import of cello music in the novel, cellists will perform portions of Albinoni's Adagio.

Fred Fisher has many years experience working in countries threatened by war and civil strife, including Sarajevo. He served as a consultant to the United Nations Center for Human Settlements (Habitat), the Economic Development Institute (EDI) of the World Bank, and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

An English professor at Montgomery College, Stephen "Chip" Gladson served in the Peace Corps, where he trained prospective teachers of English in Sri Lanka and taught English for academic purposes at Bahuaddin Zakariya University in Pakistan.

This program is hosted in conjunction with the One Maryland One Book initiative, MC Libraries, the Paul Peck Humanities Institute, the Renaissance Scholars honors program, the MC Peace and Justice Community, MC Books, and the Rockville Campus Department of Music.