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# Jefferson Lecture in the Humanities

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Professor Emeritus of History  
Graduate School, City University of New York

Wednesday, May 1, 1991

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## Jefferson Lecture and Reception

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Lecture 6:30 p.m.

Reception to follow  
The Celeste Bartos Forum  
The New York Public Library  
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Jefferson Lecturer Gertrude Himmelfarb, Professor Emeritus of History, CUNY, presents "Of Heroes, Villians and Valets."



Leon Kass, Professor in College and the Committee on Social Thought at the University of Chicago, and NEH Council Member, introduces the 20th Annual Jefferson Lecturer, Gertrude Himmelfarb.





Gertrude Himmelfarb and NEH Chairman Lynne Cheney stand together with the Thomas Jefferson Lithograph, which is engraved and presented each year to the Jefferson Lecturer.



Leon Kass, Gertrude Himmelfarb and Lynne Cheney.





Mrs. Himmelfarb and her husband Irving Kristol, well-known author and member of the American Enterprise Institute, are joined by their son, William Kristol and his wife, and daughter Elizabeth Kristol.



Approximately 1,100 academics, federal officials, NEH members and members of the public gathered in Washington's Departmental Auditorium to honor Gertrude Himmelfarb.





Senator Daniel P. Moynihan of New York congratulates Gertrude Himmelfarb.



Mrs. Cheney and guest speak with Senator Moynihan and Charles Blitzer, Director of the Woodrow Wilson Center.



NEH Council Member Mary J.C. Cresimore chats with Gertrude Himmelfarb.





The Chairman and Mary Jo Cresimore smile for the camera.



Former NEH Office of Publications and Public Affairs Director Marion Blakey meets Gertrude Himmelfarb.



Gertrude Himmelfarb receives words of praise from many colleagues and friends after the lecture.





Himmelfarb, a native New Yorker now living in Washington, D.C., makes new friends at the lecture!..





...And is greeted by old ones, as well.







Mrs. Himmelfarb is joined by Nancy Rogers, NEH Regional Officer for the Division of State Programs.



Irving Kristol celebrates the evening with his wife.



Gertrude Himmelfarb chats with syndicated columnist Charles Krauthammer.





Mrs. Himmelfarb enjoys her conversation with Joy Evans, NEH Public Information Officer for the Office of Publications and Public Affairs, while the Lecturer's family members gather in the background.



Chairman Lynne Cheney shares an amusing moment with NEH Publications Writer-Editor Susan Jaffe and her husband, Bill.



Susan and Bill Jaffe chat with Secretary of Defense Richard Cheney.



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Gertrude Himmelfarb  
Jefferson Lecturer



## Gertrude Himmelfarb Selected as 1991 Jefferson Lecturer

Gertrude Himmelfarb will deliver the twentieth Jefferson Lecture in the Humanities on May 1, 1991. Professor emerita of history at the Graduate School of the City University of New York, Himmelfarb is a renowned historian of Victorian England.

"Throughout a distinguished career combining scholarly research and teaching, Professor Himmelfarb has made enduring contributions to our understanding of the past," said Chairman Lynne V. Cheney in announcing Himmelfarb's selection. "Her writings and lectures affirm the value of studying the great historical ideas and institutions that have influenced modern democratic societies. The Endowment is proud to honor Gertrude Himmelfarb with the Jefferson Lecturship."

Born in New York City in 1922, Himmelfarb attended the Jewish Theological Seminary and Brooklyn College, where she earned a B.A. in history in 1942. She pursued graduate study at Cambridge University and earned a Ph.D. in history at the University of Chicago in 1950. During her twenty-three-year teaching career at Brooklyn College and the Graduate School of the City University of New York, Himmelfarb served as chairman of the doctoral program in history and as Distinguished Professor of History.

Himmelfarb is a member of the British Academy, the Royal Historical Society, the American Philosophical Society, and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. She also serves on the editorial boards of the Woodrow



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Wilson International Center and the advisory councils of the Library of Congress and the American

Enterprise Institute. She is a former member of the National Council on the Humanities.

Himmelfarb's books include *Lord Acton: A Study in Conscience and Politics* (1952), *Darwin and the Darwinian Revolution* (1959), *Victorian Minds* (1968), *On Liberty and Liberalism* (1974), *The Idea of Poverty* (1984), *Marriage and Morals Among the Victorians* (1986), *The New History and the Old* (1987), and the forthcoming *An Age of Compassion*. She has edited collections of works of Lord Acton, Thomas Malthus, and John Stuart Mill, and has contributed essays and articles to numerous volumes and journals. She has served on the editorial boards of *The American Historical Review*, *American Scholar*, and *The Journal of British Studies*.

## National Council Receives New Members

Seven new members of the National Council on the Humanities will attend their first council meetings on November 8 and 9. After being nominated by President Bush, they were confirmed by the U.S. Senate on September 27.

Appointed were: Michael Bass, Pensacola, Florida; Bruce Benson, Golden, Colorado; Helen Gray Crawford, New Orleans, Louisiana; Margaret Pace Duckett, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Billie Davis Gaines,

Atlanta, Georgia; Henry Higuera, Annapolis, Maryland; and Peter Shaw, New York City.

Michael Bass served on the board of directors of the Florida Endowment for the Humanities and as chairman from 1987 to 1989. He is also past president of the Pensacola Museum of Art. The president of the Bass Group, a consulting firm, Bass has been involved in sports activities for youths and is a former member of the Pensacola City Council.

Bruce D. Benson is chairman of the Colorado Commission on Higher Education, president of the board of trustees of the Berkshire School in Massachusetts, and a member of the

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