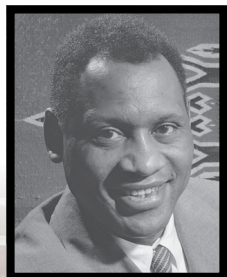


*The Annual Class of 1970 Lecture*



# Paul Robeson: Hero of Cultural Appropriation



with **Susan Neiman**



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Prof. Neiman has written extensively on the Enlightenment, moral philosophy, metaphysics, and politics, and her work exemplifies how philosophy can be a living force for contemporary thinking and action. She is the author of eight books that have been translated into 15 languages, and her shorter pieces have appeared in venues such as *The New York Times*, *The Guardian*, and *Der Spiegel*, among many other publications.

## Abstract

In the 1950s W.E.B. Du Bois called Paul Robeson the most famous American in the world, but if Robeson is known at all today it is as an early activist for Black civil rights. Less well known are his commitments

to universalism and socialism. He would not have understood the critique of the cultural appropriation he practiced all his life. This lecture will argue that Robeson is one of the great American heroes.

## Details

Thursday, September 29 | 5:00pm - 7:00pm  
Hageman Hall, New Brunswick Theological Seminary  
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