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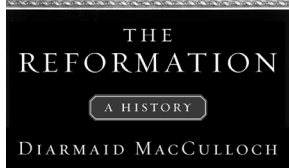
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## *OXFORD'S DIARMAID MACCULLOCH REVISITS THE REFORMATION WITH A BOOK THAT IS BEING LAUDED AS THE FINEST ON ITS TOPIC*

The Reformation and its aftermath brought a tremendous upheaval to European society, as earth-shattering in some respects as the collapse of the Roman Empire a millennium before. In a monumental new history of the era, a volume *The Times* of London has praised as "impressively broad" and *The Observer* has described as "an



invaluable guide to the doctrinal issues and religious conflicts during this critical period," DIARMAID MACCULLOCH conveys all the drama of a cataclysm that severed the Church and set in motion a cascade of reverberating consequences. MacCulloch offers vivid portraits of Luther, Calvin, Zwingli, Loyola, Henry VIII, and several Popes. He goes on to show that the Reformation altered the intellectual, political, and spiritual landscape in ways that could not have been anticipated, either by

those who initiated it or by those who sought to counter its impact. DIARMID MACCULLOCH is Oxford's Professor of the History of the Church. His many influential books include *The Boy King Edward VI and the Protestant Reformation* and *Thomas Cranmer: A Life*. Copies of *The Reformation: A History* will be available for purchase, and their author will be happy to inscribe them.



**WEDNESDAY, MAY 26**

*Dinner 6:15 p.m.*

*Program 7:00 p.m.*

**1526 NEW HAMPSHIRE NW**

*Members \$30, Others \$35*

*Program Only \$10*

## *WATCH AN ESU LECTURE THIS WEEKEND ON C-SPAN2'S BOOKTV*

In recent years a number of events that have taken place under ESU auspices have been telecast over *C-SPAN*'s weekend *BookTV* service. Our February 13 gathering with British biographer JANE DUNN, for example, has been aired four times in the network's "Public Lives" showcase, and was available for viewing over *BookTV.org* for two months after its initial presentation. We're now pleased to announce that Oxford historian HEW STRACHAN's remarks about *The First World War*, taped on April 28 during a luncheon we co-hosted with the EISENHOWER INSTITUTE, will be shown twice during the weekend ahead. For those who reside in the District of Columbia and subscribe to *Comcast* digital cable, the channel to which your set should be tuned is 18. Please join us, and alert your friends.

**SATURDAY, MAY 29**  
*at 11:00 p.m.*

**SUNDAY, MAY 30**  
*at 800 p.m.*

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