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Free Public Lecture with *New York Times* Best-selling Author

CONCORD, NH – The New Hampshire Historical Society invites you to join *New York Times* best-selling author Kenneth C. Davis for a free public lecture, "Democracy Is Not a Spectator Sport: The Vital Role of Social Studies in Safeguarding Our Rights", in partnership with New Hampshire Humanities, the New Hampshire Council for the Social Studies, NHPR's Civics 101, and Gibson's Bookstore.

Creator of the popular *Don't Know Much About* series, Davis will be speaking on the importance of schools offering dynamic social studies instruction and ways in which the community can support education in this critical area. At the conclusion of the lecture, Davis will take questions from the audience and sign copies of his books.

The lecture will also preview the New Hampshire Historical Society's new free online social studies curriculum for upper elementary school students, entitled "Moose on the Loose: Social Studies for Granite State Kids." Featuring student and educator content, explainer videos, projects, and activities, this dynamic new resource will eventually offer 18 units on New Hampshire history. The website launches in October with two units: Immigration in the Industrial Age, and the New Hampshire Primary. "Moose on the Loose" was created by the Society to help halt the marginalization of social studies in the state's schools, which spend less time on state history and civics than they have in the past due to a lack of resources and the current emphasis on math and language arts.

This free lecture will take place on Thursday, October 3, 2019, at 6 p.m. at the Concord City Auditorium, 2 Prince Street, Concord, NH 03301. It is open to the public at no charge, but advance ticketing is suggested. Educators are particularly encouraged to attend. Tickets are available at Gibson's Bookstore, at the New Hampshire Historical Society, or online through [Eventbrite](#).

Founded in 1823, the New Hampshire Historical Society is an independent, nonprofit organization dedicated to saving, preserving, and sharing New Hampshire history. Nowhere will you find a more extensive collection of objects and archives related to New Hampshire's history. The Society shares these vast collections through its research library, museum, website, publications, exhibitions, and youth and adult educational programs. The Society is not a state-funded agency. All of its programs and services are made possible by membership dues and contributions. For more information about the Society and the benefits of membership, visit www.nhhistory.org or call 603-228-6688.

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