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## **Annual Dinner with Nathaniel Philbrick**

Monday, April 30, 2007 6:00 p.m. Cocktail hour with open bar 7:00 p.m. Dinner and program Arsht Hall University of Delaware, Wilmington



Nathaniel Philbrick

The featured speaker will be **Nathaniel Philbrick**, bestselling author and lecturer, who will speak about his book *Mayflower: A Story of Courage, Community, and War* published by Viking in 2006. Nathaniel Philbrick reveals in his spellbinding book the true story of the Pilgrims as much more than the well-known tale of piety and sacrifice; it is a fifty-five-year epic that is at once tragic, heroic, exhilarating, and profound.

"Impeccably researched and expertly rendered, Philbrick's account brings the Plymouth Colony and its leaders, including William Bradford, Benjamin Church and the bellicose, dwarfish Miles Standish, vividly to life... For Philbrick, this is yet another award-worthy story of survival." (*Publishers Weekly*)

"Philbrick celebrates the courage, resourcefulness and determination of many of the settlers, most notably William Bradford and the remarkable warrior Benjamin Church; he acknowledges and describes in detail the many ways in which Pilgrims and Indians cooperated, in some cases to their mutual advance." (*Washington Post*)

Nathaniel Philbrick is the author of numerous award-winning books including *In the Heart of the Sea: The Tragedy of the Whaleship Essex* (2000) which received much acclaim and won the 2000 National Book Award for Non-Fiction. It brings to life the 19<sup>th</sup> century whaling industry and the story of the boisterous sperm whale which inspired Herman Melville's *Moby Dick*.

Mark your calendars! The printed invitation will be mailed during early March 2007. Interested persons can send an email message with your request including full name and mailing address to UDLA@udel.edu or call the Office of the Director of Libraries at 302-831-2231 to request a printed invitation or additional printed invitations. Members of the University of Delaware Library Associates will be mailed automatically the invitation.