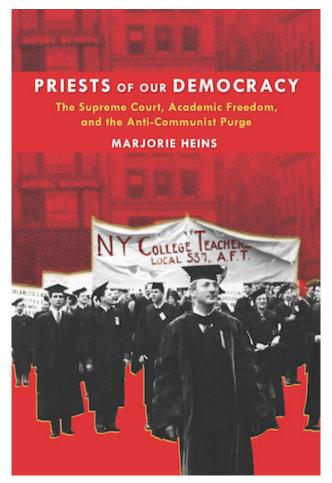
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A Frederic Ewen Lecture in Civil Liberties and Academic Freedom

## **Priests of Our Democracy:** The Supreme Court, Academic Freedom, and the Anti-Communist Purge



In the early 1950s, New York City's teachers and professors were the targets of intensive investigations into their political beliefs and associations. Brooklyn College was a particular hotbed of controversy. Frederic Ewen was one of the professors who resigned rather than cooperate.

**Marjorie Heins,** author of *Priests of Our Democracy*, will discuss New York's heresy hunt and the battles over academic freedom on the campuses and in the courts. Heins is a constitutional scholar, lawyer, teacher, and founding director of the Free Expression Policy Project. From 1991-98, she directed the Arts Censorship Project at the ACLU, where she was counsel in several Supreme Court First Amendment cases. In 2004-07, she was a fellow at the Brennan Center for Justice at NYU School of Law. Her book *Not in Front of the Children: Indecency, Censorship, and the Innocence of Youth* (Rutgers University Press, 2007) won the American Library Association's 2002 Eli Oboler Award for best published work in the field of intellectual freedom.

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