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### ***Save the Date!***

Friday, September 6, 2019 – 7:00 to 9:30 pm

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The Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library  
Annual Book and Author Fundraiser

### **The Fayez S. Sarofim Research Building**

The UTHealth Brown Foundation Institute of Molecular Medicine for the Prevention of Human  
Diseases  
1825 Pressler, Houston, Texas 77030

Guest Speaker

**Peter Hotez, MD, PhD**

Author of

*Vaccines Did Not Cause Rachel's Autism: My Journey as a Vaccine  
Scientist, Pediatrician, and Autism Dad*

Special Guest

**State Representative Sarah Davis**

State Representative for Texas House District 134

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**Ernie Manouse**

Senior Producer/Host, Houston Public Media

Fine fare, libations, and a silent auction!

\$150 including book - \$100 event only - \$50 student pricing

<https://library.tmc.edu/friends/event/> 713-799-7108 [sarah.keith@library.tmc.edu](mailto:sarah.keith@library.tmc.edu)

Sponsorship tables are available \$750 to \$10,000

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Peter Hotez, MD, PhD is Dean of the National School of Tropical Medicine and Professor of Pediatrics and Molecular Virology & Microbiology at Baylor College of Medicine where he is also the Director of the Texas Children's Center for Vaccine Development (CVD) and Texas Children's Hospital Endowed Chair of Tropical Pediatrics. He is also University Professor at Baylor University, and Fellow in Disease and Poverty at the James A. Baker III Institute for Public Policy.

Dr. Hotez is an internationally-recognized physician-scientist in neglected tropical diseases and vaccine development. As head of the Texas Children's CVD, he leads the only product development partnership for developing new vaccines for hookworm infection, schistosomiasis, and Chagas disease, and SARS/MERS, diseases affecting hundreds of million of children and adults worldwide. In 2006 at the Clinton Global Initiative he do-founded the Global Network for Neglected Tropical Diseases to provide access to essential medicines for hundreds of millions of people.

He obtained his undergraduate degree in molecular biophysics from Yale University in 1980 (phi beta kappa), followed by a PhD degree in biochemistry from Rockefeller University in 1986, and an MD from Weil Cornell Medical College in 1987.

Dr. Hotez served previously as President of the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene and he is founding Editor-in-Chief of *PLoS Neglected Tropical Diseases*. He is an elected member of the National Academy of Medicine, and in 2011 he was awarded the Abraham Horwitz Award for Excellence in Leadership in Inter-American Health by the Pan American Health Organization of the WHO. In 2014-16 he served in the Obama Administration as US Envoy, focusing on vaccine diplomacy initiatives between the US Government and countries in the Middle East and North Africa. In 2018 he was appointed by the US State Department to service on the Board of Governors for the US Israel Binational Science Foundation, and he received the Sackler Award in Sustained Leadership from ResearchAmerica! In 2016. Dr. Hotez emerged as a major national thought leader on the Zika epidemic in the Western Hemisphere and globally. He was among the first to predict Zika's emergence in the US and is called upon frequently to testify before US Congress and served on infectious disease task forces for two consecutive Texas Governors. For these efforts in 2017 he was named by FORTUNE Magazine as one of the 34 most influential people in health care.

In addition, as both a vaccine scientist and autism Dad he has led national efforts to defend vaccines and to serve as an ardent champion of vaccines going up against a growing national "antivaxx" threat. He appears frequently on television (including BBC, CNN, Fox News, and MSNBC), radio, and in newspaper interviews (including the New York Times, USA Today, Washington Post, and Wall Street Journal).

