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## Wheatley Discusses Leadership for an Uncertain Time



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**(St. Petersburg, Fla.) November 2, 2009** – A breakthrough thinker in the field of leadership and organizational theory, Margaret Wheatley writes, teaches and speaks about how organizations might organize and accomplish their work in chaotic times.

Wheatley brings her message to USF St. Petersburg during a free lecture Tuesday, Nov. 10 in the Campus Activities Center, corner of 6th Ave. S and 2nd St. S. The lecture begins at 7:30 p.m. and a book signing will follow.

She has written four books: *Leadership and the New Science* (in twenty languages and third edition), *Turning to One Another: Simple Conversations to Restore Hope to the Future* (in two editions), *A Simpler Way* (with Myron Rogers) and, most recently, *Finding Our Way: Leadership for an Uncertain Time*.

Her talk's theme, Leadership for an Uncertain Time, should resonate with business and community leaders in St. Petersburg. Since 1973, Wheatley has worked with a broad variety of organizations; she has worked with large corporations, government agencies, healthcare institutions, foundations, public schools and professional associations. As a consultant, she has helped these organizations as they wrestle with a common dilemma – how to maintain their integrity and effectiveness as they cope with the upheavals and rapid shifts innate to these chaotic times.

Her path-breaking book, *Leadership and the New Science*, is credited with establishing a new approach to organizational theory. It is a standard text in leadership programs and has won awards, including Best Management Book of 1992 in Industry Week, Top Ten Business Books of the 1990s in CIO Magazine and Top Ten Business Books of all time by Xerox Corporation. Two subsequent editions have been published in 1999 and 2006. Wheatley also co-founded The Berkana Institute, a charitable foundation that works in partnership with a rich diversity of people around the world who strengthen their communities by working with the wisdom and wealth already present in their people, traditions and environment.


Wheatley received her doctorate from Harvard University's program in Administration, Planning and Social Policy. She holds an M.A. in Communications and Systems Thinking from New York University, and a B.A. in History from the University of Rochester.

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