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**BREAKING BARRIERS****A NIGHT WITH TIM WISE****February 26, 2018 • 4 pm & 7:30 pm**
AVC Performing Arts Theatre**Challenging the Culture of Cruelty: Understanding and Defeating Race and Class Inequity in America**

In this speech, drawn from his newest book, *Under the Affluence: Shaming the Poor, Praising the Rich and Jeopardizing the Future of America*, Tim Wise examines the ways in which American politics and culture serve to rationalize inequalities on the basis of class and race. From the myth of "rugged individualism" to the racialized attacks on the nation's poor, American ideology has long served to explain away inequity as a natural outcome of differential talent, effort or cultural attributes. But as Wise shows in this presentation, to

believe that the poor and unemployed are to blame for their own plight, or that the rich deserve their positions and wealth is to believe in a pernicious and destructive lie that threatens the very heart of democracy and true equal opportunity. By exploring the way that racism has been central to the development and perpetuation of the nation's class system, Wise demonstrates the importance of undermining the dominant white racial narrative not solely to fight racism itself, but larger economic and social injustice as well.

