

Remembering Neil Simon: American Master

With Steve Yussen

Neil Simon passed away in 2018. He was one of the most prolific, successful, and honored playwrights and screenwriters of the past half century. Through lecture and selected dramatic reading of his work, we remember the enormous contributions he's made to American culture and literature.

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