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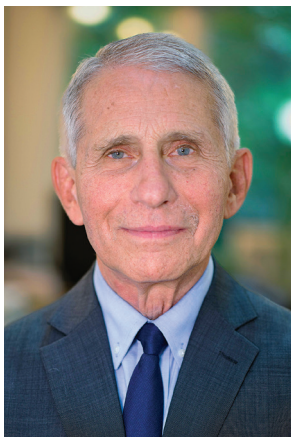
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Tuesday, October 14, 2025
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Former Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (1984–2022) and Chief Medical Advisor to the President (2021–2022), Dr. Fauci's 38 years of public service spanned seven presidential administrations. He led US research and global response to HIV/AIDS, SARS, Ebola, and the COVID-19 pandemic.



VLADIMIR KARA-MURZA

Tuesday, October 28, 2025
Wednesday, October 29, 2025

Russian opposition leader and Pulitzer Prize-winning author, Kara-Murza was the target of two poisoning assassination attempts by the Putin regime. A key advocate for Russian sanctions, he was sentenced to 25 years in prison for denouncing the invasion of Ukraine. He was freed in a historic East-West prisoner exchange in 2024.

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Wednesday, November 12, 2025

Former National Security Advisor (2017–2018), Lt. Gen. McMaster (Ret.) is known for his expertise in the complex dynamics of American foreign policy. A leading military strategist for three decades, he offers critical perspectives on national security. His books include *At War with Ourselves* and *Battlegrounds*.



KEN BURNS

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

An award-winning documentary filmmaker, Burns's innovative technique turns archival materials into powerful narratives that breathe life into history. His films, including *The Civil War*, *Baseball*, and *The Vietnam War*, offer unique insights into our nation's complex past. His upcoming film explores the American Revolution.



PIPPA MALMGREN

Tuesday, February 3, 2026

Wednesday, February 4, 2026

Economist, author, and economic advisor to President George W. Bush, Malmgren is known for her expertise in global financial markets and geopolitics. Credited with coining the term "shrinkflation," Malmgren provides insights on emerging trends, technology, and risks shaping the global economy.

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MALCOLM GLADWELL

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

Wednesday, March 25, 2026

Best-selling author of *Revenge of the Tipping Point*, *Blink*, and *Outliers*, Gladwell employs masterful storytelling to break down complex and often misunderstood concepts shaping society, offering a unique perspective on the forces driving human behavior. A *New Yorker* writer for 29 years, he hosts the *Revisionist History* podcast.



CRISTINA MITTERMEIER

Tuesday, April 21, 2026

Wednesday, April 22, 2026

Award-winning *National Geographic* photographer renowned for her breathtaking wildlife images. Mittermeier uses her lens to convey the urgency for ocean conservation, tell powerful stories about the effects of climate change, and inspire action. She is the co-founder of SeaLegacy, an ocean conservation organization.

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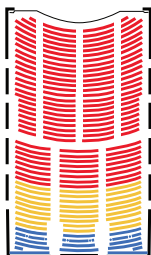
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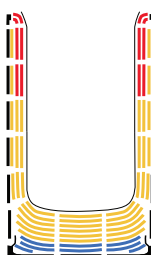
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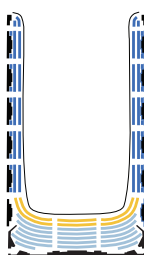
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Robin Wright
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Madeleine Albright
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Ken Burns
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