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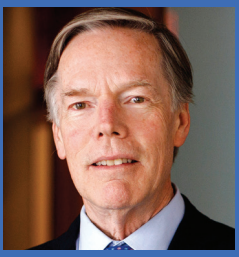

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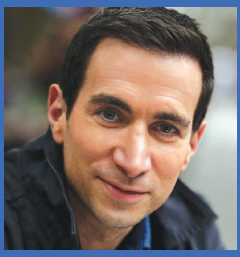

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PETE BUTTIGIEG

October 1, 2026
Thursday, 8 pm

US Secretary of Transportation (2021–2025), Buttigieg launched critical infrastructure projects and instituted landmark protections for air travelers. He is a veteran Navy Reserve intelligence officer who served in Afghanistan, two-term South Bend mayor who spearheaded urban revitalization, and a 2020 presidential candidate.

BORIS JOHNSON

October 29, 2026

UK Prime Minister (2019–2022) and Conservative Party leader, Johnson led the UK through its withdrawal from the European Union. Formerly the British Foreign Secretary and Mayor of London, he provides a unique firsthand perspective on global politics and Ukraine.

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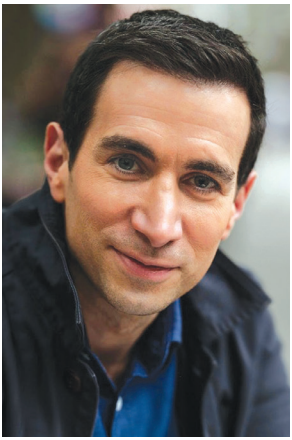
DORIS KEARNS GOODWIN

November 12, 2026
Thursday, 8 pm

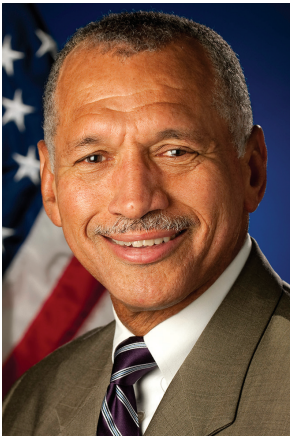
Pulitzer Prize-winning historian, Goodwin is celebrated for masterful narratives on US presidents and pivotal historical events. Her books include *Team of Rivals* on Abraham Lincoln and *No Ordinary Time* on Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt. A sought-after commentator, she provides essential historical insights on current events.



ANDREW ROSS SORKIN

January 14, 2027
Thursday, 8 pm

A financial expert on Wall Street and corporate America, Sorkin is an award-winning *New York Times* journalist, anchor of CNBC's *Squawk Box,* and founder of the influential NYT DealBook. The bestselling author of *1929: The Inside Story of the Greatest Crash* and *Too Big to Fail,* he also co-created the hit TV series *Billions.*



CHARLES F. BOLDEN JR.

February 18, 2027
Thursday, 8 pm

Head of NASA for seven years (2009–2017) and a two-time Space Shuttle Commander who flew on four missions, Bolden is only the second astronaut ever to lead the space agency. A Marine Corps major general, he piloted the shuttle that deployed the Hubble Space Telescope and flew over 100 combat missions during the Vietnam War.

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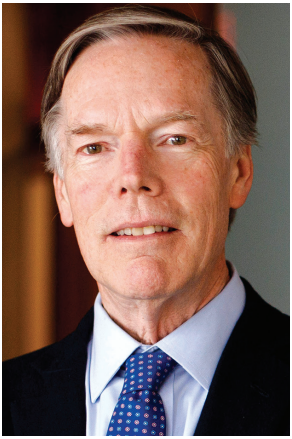

NICHOLAS BURNS

March 25, 2027
Thursday, 8 pm

US Ambassador to China (2021–2025), Burns is the leading expert on US–China relations. A trusted voice on diplomacy and national security, he served six presidents from both political parties during his 35 years of public service. He was US Ambassador to NATO during 9/11, and led negotiations on India and Iran's nuclear programs.

LYNSEY ADDARIO

April 8, 2027
Thursday, 8 pm

Award-winning war photographer, Addario's powerful images from the front lines appear on *The New York Times* front page, capturing the realities of war, humanitarian crises, and human resilience. Twice kidnapped, her work over 25 years in conflict zones like Ukraine, Afghanistan, Iraq, and Sudan earned two Pulitzer Prizes.

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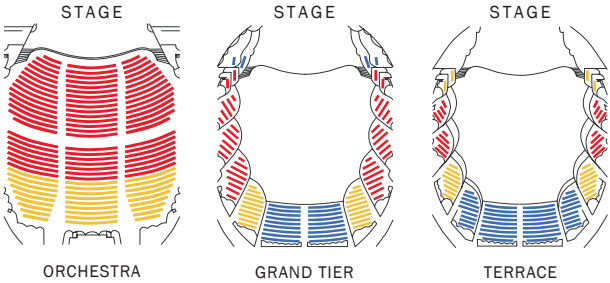

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