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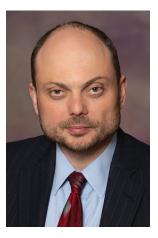
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ANTHONY FAUCI

September 29, 2025 Monday, 8 pm

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

October 27, 2025 Monday, 8 pm

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.



LT. GEN. H. R. MCMASTER November 10, 2025

November 10, 2025 Monday, 8 pm

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.



DORIS KEARNS GOODWIN

January 26, 2026 Monday, 8 pm

Pulitzer Prize-winning historian,
Goodwin is renowned for in-depth
explorations of 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
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PIPPA MALMGREN

February 23, 2026 Monday, 8 pm

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.



MALCOLM GLADWELL March 23, 2026 Monday, 8 pm

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

April 13, 2026
Monday, 8 pm
Award-winning National
Geographic photographer
renowned for her breathtaking
wildlife images. Mittermeier uses
her lens to convey the urgency for
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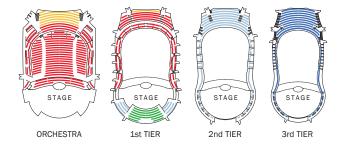
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