25 YEARS OF PROGRAMMING

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SINCE ITS FOUNDED IN 1994, the International Affairs Forum, in an innovative partnership with Northwestern Michigan College, has brought to Traverse City diplomats, ambassadors, economists, military leaders, journalists, and educators who have challenged us to think critically about issues of local and global significance.

On the following pages are names and titles of the men and women who have enriched IAF audiences over the past 25 years. It is a list that invites recognition of the many ways IAF programs have contributed to creating a community of global citizens.

This publication is a tribute to current and former IAF Board members who have worked so hard and with such dedication to present authoritative voices to our audiences. Former diplomats who retired to the area — among them, Jack and me, Ted and Marcia Curran, Stan Otto, and Rick and Sarah Strauss — called on ambassadors and senior diplomats to make the pilgrimage to Northern Michigan. Other IAF board members have drawn on their own worlds of contacts, including Bob Giles, former newspaper editor and curator of Harvard’s Nieman Foundation, retired Marine Corps Major General Mike Lehnert, Professors Phil Mikesell and Phil Thomas, and former Record-Eagle publisher Gil Bogley who helped arrange a talk by former Secretary of State James Baker, an old Princeton roommate. IAF supporters, such as Roger and Heather Perry and Michael and Joanie Jackson have contributed ideas and contacts for memorable programs.

IAF has grown from seven annual events in 1994 that played to audiences of just over 100 to more than 15 annual events that routinely attract more than 400. Over the years, IAF has expanded its repertoire beyond lectures and conversations to encompass film, special programs called Global Hot Spots, and outreach to students.

As we look to the future, the critical nature of global events assures an expanding role for IAF in elevating the level of discussion and understanding about international issues and motivating young people to learn about the complex issues shaping their future.

Thank you,

Karen Puschel Segal
and
Jack Segal
Co-Chairs IAF
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SEASON 1: 1994 – 1995 | “Focus on Change”

Oct 20  Richard Friedman, President, The National Strategy Forum, Chicago
“Emerging Features in the Strategic Landscape”

Nov 10  Tad Daly, PhD, The Rand Corporation
“The U.N. 50 Years Later: A Time for Change”

Jan 19  John Starr, President, The China Institute, NY
“China After Deng Xiaoping”

Feb 16  Michael J. McGuire, Deputy Associate Managing Editor, The Chicago Tribune
“Russia: The New Czars”

April 20  George Moffett, III, Washington Bureau, Christian Science Monitor
“Critical Masses: The Global Population Challenge”

May 18  William F. Martin, Former Deputy Secretary of Energy


Sept 21  Ken Lieberthal, Professor of Political Science, University of Michigan
“Where is our World Headed? A View of Global Trends”

Oct 19  David Anable, Chair, Journalism Department, Boston University
“Media’s Impact on World Affairs: Reporting on Policies or Creating Them?”

Nov 16  David Winder, Professor Comparative Religion, Principia College
“Religion in World Politics: Preserving Peace or Agitating Conflicts?”

Feb 15  Al Hunt, The Wall Street Journal
Mexico: Will it Survive the Next Crisis?”

April 19  Stanley Meisler, LA Times and author
“The Impact of Bosnia on Global Trends”

May 16  Donald Easum, Former U.S. Ambassador to Nigeria
“Can Africa Survive? Should We Care?”


Sept 19  The Honorable Don Riegle, Jr.
“Challenges Facing the President-elect”

Oct 17  David Lamb, LA Times
“The Arabs – Journeys Beyond the Mirage”

Nov 21  Professor Stephen Sloane, University of Oklahoma
“The Changing Face of International Terrorism”

Feb 20  Rear Admiral (ret.) Eugene Carroll,
Center for Defense Information
“Where are our Threats…How do we Defend?”

April 17  Judith Kipper, Co-Director, CSIS
“The Many Views of the Mideast”

May 15  David Broder, Pulitzer-prize winning columnist, Washington Post
“An Overview of U.S. Foreign Relations”


Sept 18  Barrie Dunsmore, ABC News, Nieman Fellow at Harvard University
“TV News – Influencing Domestic and Foreign Policies”

Oct 16  Clara Germani, Moscow Bureau Chief, Baltimore Sun
“The View from Inside Russia”

Nov 20  William Moomaw, Professor of Intl Environmental Policy, Tufts University
“Preserving our Environment: An International Challenge”

Feb 19  John Bryan Starr, Director, Annenberg Institute, Brown University
“Understanding China”

April 23  Joseph Rallo, Ferris State University
“Technology and International Policies”

May 21  Patricia Brousseau, Institute for Global Ethics
“Ethical Dilemmas on an International Level”

June 18  Joel Rosenthal, President, Carnegie Council for Ethics

Sept 17  Gail Russell-Chaddock, *Christian Science Monitor*
“Education: A Global Challenge”

Oct 15  Pradeep Chhibber, Prof of Political Science, University of Michigan
“India, the Sleeping Giant”

Nov 19  Kerry Kennedy Cuomo, founder RFK Center for Human Rights

Apr 15  Dr. Roger Kangas, Central Asia Institute, Johns Hopkins University
“Central Asia”

May 13  Edward Gibson, Professor, Northwestern University
“Developing Foreign Policy in South America”

June 17  William Martin, former Deputy Secretary of Energy
“International Trade in the 21st Century”


Sept 16  Robert Turner, Professor of International Law, University of Virginia
“Building a National Security Policy Consensus”

Oct 21  David Wurmser, Johns Hopkins University and American Enterprise Institute
“Iran and Iraq: What Now for the U.S.?”

Nov 18  Frank Calzon, Executive Director of the Center for a Free Cuba
“Cuba and its Island Neighbors”

Feb 17  Martin Butora, Ambassador of the Slovak Republic to the U.S
“The Changing Face of Eastern Europe”

Mar 16  Mark Mathabane, South African author and lecturer
“South Africa: Its Growing Role on African Continent”

April 20  Rachel Ehrenfeld, author
“International Corruption and Crime”

May 18  Chuck Downs, senior staffer in the House of Representatives
“The Two Koreas”

SEASON 7: 2000 – 2001 | “Foreign Policy Challenges to a New Administration”

Sept 21  Kenneth Jensen, Executive Director, American Committees on Foreign Relations
“Presidential Politics and Foreign Policy”

Oct 19  John Clark, Director of the Center for Central European and Eurasian Studies
“U.S. Policy toward China”

Nov 16  Ulrich (Rick) Straus, former senior diplomat
“America’s Relationship with Japan: Security, Political, Economic, Psychological”

Feb 15  Adrian Rothkopf, Executive Director of the Group of Fifty (Latin Americans)
“The Hemispheric Outlook for 2001: A Moment of Truth for the Americas”

Mar 15  Julius W. Walker Jr, U.S. Ambassador (ret.)
“The U.S. Foreign Service and its Work.”

Apr 19  Nicholas A. Veliotes, U.S. Ambassador to Egypt (ret.)
“The Critical Role of Egypt”

May 17  Richard Friedman, President and Chair of the National Strategy Forum
“Grassroots Foreign Policy”


Sept 20  David Broder, Pulitzer-prize winning columnist, *Washington Post*
“US Foreign Policy as seen Through the Eyes of a Veteran Capitol Hill Journalist”
Philip L. Cochran memorial lecture

Oct 18  Ed Peck, U.S. Ambassador to Iraq (ret.)
“Dynamic Hypocrisy: The U.S. and the Middle East”

Nov 15  Paul Cleveland, U.S. Ambassador to Malaysia and New Zealand (ret.)
“Indonesia: Southeast Asia’s Key in Crisis”

Mar 21  Jay Taylor, Harvard University
“How the World Should Deal with China”

April 18  Eileen Heaphy, U.S. Senior Diplomat
“The U.S. and Fox’s Mexico”

May 16  Larry C. Johnson, former CIA Analyst
“Future of Terrorism”

June 20  Don Gregg, U.S. Ambassador to Korea (ret.)
“Korea: Prospects for Reconciliation”

Sept 12  John Monjo, U.S. Ambassador to Malaysia
“Crisis in Pakistan-India Relations”

Oct 17  Michael Sterner, U.S. Ambassador to United Arab Emirates
“Is There Hope for Peace between Israel and Palestine?”

Nov 21  Marten van Heuven, former National Intelligence Officer for Europe
“US Relations with Western Europe”

Feb 20  Richard Kauzlarich, U.S. Ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina
“Between Russia and Iran: Ethnic Conflict and The War on Terror in the Caucasus”

Mar 20  Dr. Schuyler Foerster, European Security Expert
“US Power in a Changing World – Gulliver, Rambo, or ?”

April 17  Prakash Singh, Indian Expert on Terrorism and Counter-Insurgency
“International Terrorism post 9/11”

May 15  James Sutterlin, Lecturer in International Studies, Yale University
“The US and Iraq: Past, Present and Future”

June 12  James A. Baker, Former Secretary of State and Chief of Staff
“Post-war Iraq, The Arab-Israeli Dispute, North Korea and Beyond”


Sept 18  Ulrich (Rick) Straus, retired senior diplomat
“East Asia: Looking to the Future”

Oct 16  Prof Raymond Tanter, former Reagan administration official
“The Road to Jerusalem Goes Through Baghdad, Tehran and Damascus”

Nov 20  Richard Thomas, former chief Economics Correspondent for Newsweek,
“Globalization: Myths or Realities”

Feb 19  Stephen Handelman, author and TIME magazine columnist
“The New Russia”

Mar 18  Doris Meissner, former INS Commissioner
“Balancing Interests: Civil Liberties, Domestic Security and the American Union after 9/11”

April 15  Don Oberdorfer, author and Washington Post correspondent,
“The Two Koreas”

May 20  Dr. Peter McPherson, MSU President and Financial Coordinator for Iraq Reconstruction “Iraq – The Reconstruction Process”
Philip L. Cochran Memorial Lecture


Sept 16  Mel Goodman, former Senior Analyst of Soviet Affairs at the CIA
“Intelligence Failure and Reform: What Needs Doing?”

Oct 21  Dr. Mia Bloom, University of Cincinnati and Counter-Terrorism consultant
“Suicide Terrorism”

Nov 18  Amb Princeton Lyman, author and Director of Africa Policy Studies at CFR
“A New Strategic View of Africa: Trade, Terrorism and Oil”

Feb 17  Dr. Frederick Pearson, Wayne State University
“Resolving Global Conflict”

Mar 17  Dr. Saad Ibrahim, American University in Cairo and democracy activist
“Prospects for Democracy in the Middle East”

Apr 21  Donald Henderson, Prof of Public Health, Center for Biosecurity, U of Pittsburgh
“New Epidemic Threats for the 21st Century”

May 19  Amb Marc Grossman, Undersecretary of State
“A US Foreign Policy for the 21st Century”
Philip L. Cochran Memorial Lecture


Sept 15  Jack Matlock, U.S. Ambassador to Moscow
“Is Russia a Threat, Partner or Irrelevant?”

Oct 20  Dr. David Shambaugh, George Washington University
“China Engages Asia: Implications for the US”

Nov 17  Ian Williams, author, Bard Center for Globalization and International Affairs
“An Insider’s Critique of the United Nations”

Feb 16  John Maisto, U.S. Ambassador to OAS, Venezuela, and Nicaragua
“Latin America and US Policy”

Mar 16  Helen Taylor, University of Otago, New Zealand
“Conservation on the Global Scale”

“Eye Witness to Genocide”

May 25  Dr. Mustafa Mohatarem, Chief Economist, General Motors
“Emerging Economic Realities of the International Automobile Business”

June 8  Alphonse La Porta, U.S. Ambassador to Mongolia
“Ideology of Radical Islam”
SEASON 13: 2006 – 2007 | “It’s a Small World”

Sept 21  Monsour Farhang, Iranian Ambassador to the UN, now at Bennington College
“Iran’s Nuclear Program – What Should We Do?”

Oct 19  Dr. Gary Ferraro, University of North Carolina
“American Values and Cross Culture Communications”

Nov 16  David Broder, Pulitzer-Prize winning columnist, Washington Post
“The Mid-Term Election Results: Effect on Foreign Policy”

Feb 15  Samuel Lewis, U.S. Ambassador to Israel
“Will There Ever be Peace in the Holy Land?”

Mar 5  Dr. Sheila Ronis, Chair, Department of Management at Walsh College
“U.S. Energy Policy and National Security”

April 19  Dr. Charles Lawson, U.S. Science Attaché, U.S. Department of State
“Water Issues in the Near East Conflicts”

May 17  Dr. Howard Wiarda, Wilson Center
“Crises of Democratization in Latin America”

June 21  William Breer, retired senior diplomat, now at CSIS
“U.S.-Japan Relations”


Sept 20  Robert B. Oakley, U.S. Ambassador to Zaire, Somalia and Pakistan
“When to Intervene and When Not To”

Oct 18  Ray Ewing, U.S. Ambassador to Cyprus
“Turkey and Its Neighbors”

Nov 15  Richard Halloran, Woodrow Wilson visiting fellow and Asia expert
“China: Lovable Panda or Crouching Dragon”

Mar 20  Frank Willis, Senior U.S. Official with the Coalition Provisional Authority
“Baghdad Reflections on a Noble Venture Gone Astray”

April 17  Dr. James E. Goode, Grand Valley State University
“US Relations with Israel, Palestine and Iran”

May 15  Amb Ernest H. Preeg, American economist, U.S. Ambassador to Haiti
“Technology-driven Globalization: The Rise of China and India”

June 19  James Blanchard, U.S. Ambassador to Canada, former Gov of Michigan
“US-Canadian Relations”

July 10  Ayako Doi, Editor of the Japan Digest
“Japan: Struggling to Find its Role in China’s Shadow”

SEASON 15: 2008 – 2009

Sept 18  Prof Thomas E. Gouttierre, Dean of International Studies, Univ of Nebraska
“A New Look at Afghanistan”

Oct 16  Christina Michelmore, Chatham University in Pittsburgh
“Palestinian-Israeli Conflict”

Nov 20  Prof Derek Hulme, Alma College
“The U.S. in a Post-Bush World”

Feb 19  Prof Jim Goldegeier, author, George Washington University, and CFR Fellow
“American Foreign Policy in the Next Administration”

Mar 19  Ted (Edward) Alden, author and expert at CFR
“Security and Immigration in a Post-9/11 United States”

April 16  Anthony Quainton, U.S. Ambassador, Director General of the Foreign Service
“Do They Still Hate Us? Should the Obama Administration Care?”

May 21  M. Ashraf Haidari, Senior Afghan Diplomat
“Governance, Security and Reconstruction in Afghanistan”

June 18  John Price, President and CEO, Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh
“The World Turned Upside Down”

SEASON 16: 2009 – 2010

Sept 17  David Broder, Pulitzer-Prize winning columnist, Washington Post
“US Foreign Policy in the Obama Administration”

Oct 15  Juan Carlos Hidalgo, public policy analyst at the Cato Institute, drug war historian
“The War on Drugs”

Nov 19  Michael Wygant, U.S. Ambassador and U.S. Rep to the OSCE
“Russia and the Ex-Soviet ‘Stans in Central Asia”

Feb 18  Mead Treadwell, Chair of the US Arctic Research
“Why the Arctic Matters”

Mar 18  Anne Harrington de Santana, Stanford University
“India as a New Nuclear Power”

Apr 15  Duane W. Krohnke, Legal and Political Commentator
“Political Asylum: A Lawyer’s International Human Rights Pilgrimage”

May 20  Dr. Mustafa Mohaterem, Chief Economist, General Motors
“The Global Economy in 2010 and Beyond”

June 17  Joseph W. Elder, Expert on South and West Asia, UW-Madison
“Afghanistan and Its Neighbors”
SEASON 17: 2010 – 2011

**Sept 16**  
Shashek, Indian Ambassador to multiple countries, former Foreign Secretary  
“India and Its Neighbors”

**Oct 21**  
Dr. Pauline Muchina, UNAIDS, Kenyan national senior advisor  
“Challenges Facing Sub-Saharan Africa in the 21st Century”

**Nov 18**  
Jack Segal, senior diplomat and Political Advisor to NATO for Afghanistan  
“An Insider’s View of Afghanistan”

**Feb 17**  
Alan Dowty, Professor of Political Science Emeritus, University of Notre Dame  
“Prospects for Resolving the Israel/Palestine Conflict”

**Mar 17**  
Benjamin Busch, former Marine Corps in Iraq, author, photographer and actor  
“Challenges for the Modern Military: Nation Building in Iraq”

**April 14**  
Rajmohan Gandhi, biographer and grandson of Mahatma Gandhi  
“Building Peace: What Would Gandhi Do?”

**May 19**  
Bill Taylor, U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine, VP of the U.S. Institute of Peace  
“The Way Ahead in Afghanistan and Pakistan”

**June 16**  
Jack Segal, senior U.S. diplomat, former NATO Political Advisor  
“Understanding the Arab Revolution”

SEASON 18: 2011 – 2012

**Sept 15**  
John E. Herbst, U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine and Uzbekistan  
“The National Security Dangers of Ungoverned Spaces”

**Oct 20**  
Bradley Babson, expert on Asian affairs, Korea and economic cooperation  
“Dynamics of Change in North Korea”

**Nov 17**  
Douglas A. Irwin, Professor of Economics, Dartmouth College  
“Will China Overtake America?”

**Feb 16**  
Ian Brzezinski, international consultant and former senior Pentagon official  
“NATO in the 21st Century: Relevant or Irrelevant?”

**Mar 15**  
Dr. Zeynep Gursel, Turkish cultural anthropologist and journalist  
“The Future of Turkey”

**April 19**  
Ambassador Feisal al-Ist Habadi, former Iraqi Rep to the U.N.  
“Rebuilding the Rule of Law in Iraq?”

**May 17**  
Dr. Susan Koch, former senior Pentagon official  
“Are Weapons of Mass Destruction Out of Control?”

**June 21**  
Dr. Susanne Riveles, human rights activist with Amnesty International  
“Changing a Culture of Impunity: Ensuring Human Rights around the World”

SEASON 19: 2012 – 2013

**Sept 20**  
Dr. Ellen Lust, associate professor, Yale University  
“The Arab People Are Speaking—But What Are They Really Saying?”

**Oct 11**  
“An Evening with Ayaan Hirsi Ali” – with the National Writers Series Guest Host: Jack Segal

**Oct 18**  
Thomas Miller, U.S. Ambassador to Greece  
“Can the U.S. Help Prevent Europe from Collapse?”

**Nov 15**  
Dr. Terrie E. Taylor, professor at MSU’s College of Osteopathic Medicine  
“A Michigander Making a World of Difference in Southern Africa”

**Feb 21**  
Dr. Joshua Rovner, author and professor, U.S. Naval War College  
“Fixing the Facts: National Security and Politics of Intelligence”

**Mar 21**  
Robert Gribbin, U.S. Ambassador and expert on Africa  
“Africa Is Changing, Is That Good News?”

**April 18**  
Tom Toomey, American Councils for International Exchanges  
“Armenian Youth: The Key to a Brighter Future for Armenia”

**May 16**  
Melvyn Levitsky, U.S. Ambassador, Sr Fellow, U-M’s Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy  
“Brazil: No Longer Just the Country of the Future”

**June 20**  
John Stratton Hawley, religious scholar and professor at Barnard College  
“India and the Religion of the Heart”

SEASON 20: 2013 – 2014 | IAF’s 20th Anniversary Season

**Sept 19**  
“Putin’s Russia: Friend or Foe?”

**Oct 17**  
Mike Metrinko, senior U.S. diplomat, former U.S. hostage held in Tehran, Iran  
“Iran: Time for a Reset?”

**Nov 21**  
Dr. Robert Rehak, Scholar and Cultural Attaché, Czech Embassy  
“The Czech Nation: From Nazi and Communist Oppression to Democracy”

**Feb 20**  
Lowell (Jep) Grummit, Frankfort-based business executive  
“The Rise of the Asian Tigers: Lessons for Beijing”

**Mar 20**  
Nicole Forrester, Director of the Young Leaders Program at Pacific Forum, CSIS  
“A View of Asia from Down Under – Australia”

**April 3**  
Special GLOBAL HOT SPOT Presentation on Conflict in Ukraine  
Jack Segal, former U.S. senior diplomat  
Fundraiser for the winning AWQ team
April 17
Dr. John Ciorciari, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, U-M
“Nationalist Passions in the East and South China Seas”

* April 24
An Evening with Anchee Min, Chinese-American author of two memoirs,
Red Azalea and The Cooked Seed
Presented with the National Writers Series

May 15
Rear Admiral (ret.) Alexander Miller
“The Pivot to Asia: U.S. Defense Strategy”

+ Film Series at the State Theatre (Infernal Affairs, The Last Emperor, Big Bird in China, and Ai Weiwei: Never Sorry) in March and April in connection with the China Conference

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CHINA CONFERENCE
TRaverse City, Michigan

June 5-6  CHINA TODAY: COMPETITOR OR PARTNER?

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

Dr. David Shambaugh, Prof and Director of the China Policy Program at GWU,
Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution
“China in the 21st Century: Are We Ready?”

Ted Plafker, Beijing Correspondent for The Economist and author of
Doing Business in China
“The Rapid Pace of Change in China: What’s to Come”

Dr. Mustafa Mohatarem, Chief Economist, General Motors
“China’s Business Culture: The GM Experience”

CONFERENCE SPEAKERS:

Tracy Biegler, President and CEO, Enstrom Helicopter, Menominee, MI
Brian Connors, MEDC, International Business Development Manager
Alan DeVore, President and CEO, Graceland Fruit

Mary E. Gallagher, Director and Prof, Center for Chinese Studies, U-M
Steven Harris, M97 Gallery, Shanghai
Roch Lambert, Group President, Recreational Boat Group
Candace Lee, former Chef, Black Sesame Kitchens, Beijing
Mu Qian, Performing Arts Curator and Writer, Beijing
Tze-lan Deborah Sang, Prof of Chinese Literature/Cultural Studies, MSU
Keith Schneider, Senior Editor, Circle of Blue
Kunal Sinha, Chief Knowledge Officer, Ogilvy & Mather (Shanghai)
Bill Skilling, Superintendent, Oxford Schools
Zhao Yang, CEO, Beijing Yuren Raineco Technology Co.

LOCAL PANELISTS AND MODERATORS:

Katie Bonne, TCAPS, Director of International School at Bertha Vos
Wei Cao, former exchange student at TCAPS and NMC
Marguerite Cotto, NMC VP for Lifelong and Professional Learning
Steve Cousins, TCAPS, Superintendent
Lindsey Dickinson, NMC, International Student Program
Michael Estes, Traverse City Mayor
Lowell “Jep” Gruman, Executive Director, IncellDX Inc.
Gene Jenneman, NMC, Executive Director, Dennos Museum Center
Ron Jolly, WTCM
Wang Chun Lei, Chinese Exchange Student, TC Central High School
Tim Liang, Managing Director, AlphaMax Advisors
Ping Liang, Managing Director, AlphaMax Advisors
Doug Luciani, President and CEO, TC Chamber of Commerce
Phil Mikesell, former Professor, Wabash University
Timothy J. Nelson, NMC, President
Mark Newham, Australian business executive and journalist
Roger Perry, former President, Champlain College
Pete Peterson, former Chef, Tapawingo
Karen Puschel Segal, IAF Board
Jim Raphael, Asia/Pacific Research Center (ret.), Stanford University
Deanna Richeson, Director, MEDC Export Promotion
Debbie Rough, IAF Board
Jack Segal, IAF Board
Marsha Smith, Executive Director, Rotary Charities, TC
Hans VanSumeren, NMC, Director of Great Lakes Water Studies Institute
Rory Womack, TC West High School
**SEASON 21: 2014 – 2015**

**Sept 18**  
Kira Kay, Co-Founder of the Bureau for International Reporting  
“Fault Lines of Faith: Reporting on Sectarian Conflict Around the Globe”

**Oct 16**  
Steven Pifer, former U.S. Amb to Ukraine; Director of the Arms Control and Non-Proliferation initiative at Brookings  
“The Ukraine Crisis: Where Will it End?”

**Nov 20**  
Charles Duelfer, led the Iraq Survey Team investigating Iraq’s WMD and author of the “Duelfer” report  
“Iraq: The New Homebase for Terror?”

* + Nov 10  
GLOBAL HOT SPOT | The Ebola Crisis: What You Need to Know  
Panel Discussion with NPR Correspondent Anders Kelto, Dr. Terrie Taylor, Dr. Karen Spiers (head of Infectious Control at Munson), Wendy Trute (GT Health official) and Benjamin Levy (CDC) by SKYPE. Moderated by Dr. David Martin

* + Jan 15  
GLOBAL HOT SPOT | “Je Suis Charlie and Freedom of the Press”  
Panel discussion with Jack Segal, Bob Giles and Grant Parsons

**Feb 19**  
Elaine Diaz Rodriguez, Journalist, blogger and professor at the University of Havana; Nieman Fellow at Harvard  
“Cuba: Time for a Change?”

* + Mar 10  
To Light a Candle  
Film showing at the State Theatre, with the Bahai community in TC

**Mar 19**  
Dr. Mary Carol Kline, Associate Partner at Longview Global Advisors  

* + April 8  
GLOBAL HOT SPOT | “What Is Putin Up To?”  
A panel discussion with Ed Dolan, Tracy Busch, and Jack Segal; moderated by Karen Puschel Segal  
Fundraiser for AWQ Winning Team

* + April 15  
Watchers of the Sky  
Film screening at the State Theatre, with the Jewish Congregations for Holocaust Remembrance Day

**April 16**  
Juan Cole, author and Professor of History at University of Michigan  
“The New Arabs: How the Millennial Generation is Changing the Middle East”

**May 29**  
Jake Bright, author and Whitehead fellow at the Foreign Policy Association  
“The Next Africa: An Emerging Continent Becomes a Global Powerhouse”

**June 18**  
Bob Giles, Pulitzer-prize winning journalist, former editor/publisher of the Detroit News, Curator of the Nieman Foundation for Journalism at Harvard  
“Is a Free Press Dangerous?”

**SEASON 22: 2015 – 2016**

**Sept 17**  
J. Carl Ganter, Founder and Director of Circle of Blue  
“Water Insecurity: Reporting on a Global Crisis”

**Oct 15**  
Sarah Chayes, Senior Associate, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace  
“Thieves of State: Why Corruption Threatens Global Security”  
With the National Writers Series, Guest Host Jack Segal

* + Oct 21  
GLOBAL HOT SPOT | “The Syrian Refugee Crisis: A Firsthand View”  
Dr. Curt Rhodes, Founder and International Director of Questscope, Jordan

**Nov 19**  
Dr. Martha Brill Olcott, Visiting professor, James Madison College, MSU  
“Is ISIS a Threat to Central Asia?”

* + April 11  
GLOBAL HOT SPOT | “North Korea: The Hermit Kingdom”  
U.S. Air Force MajGen (ret.) Brian Bishop, intro by Linda Lindquist-Bishop  
Fundraiser for AWQ winning team

**April 21**  
The Honorable David Collins, Canadian Ambassador to Romania, Pakistan, Malaysia and Kenya  
“Canadian Prime Minister Trudeau’s New Directions”

**May 19**  
Dr. John F. Modlin Deputy Director, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation  
“The Bumpy Road to Global Polio Eradication”

**June 16**  
The Honorable Robert S. Ford U.S. Ambassador to Syria until 2014  
“What Future for Syria?”
SEASON 23: 2016 – 2017

Sept 15  Sally Howell, Director, Center for Arab American Studies, U-M Dearborn
“Coming to America: The Muslim Experience”

Oct 20  Rear Admiral David W. Titley, USN (ret.)
“The U.S. National Security Risks of a Changing Climate”

Nov 17  Steven Simon, author, former White House Director for the Middle East
“Our Separate Ways: The Struggle for the Future of the US-Israel Alliance”

Feb 16  Humaira Wakili, Gen Next Foundation
“The Fractured Middle East: Connecting to the Next Generation”

+ Mar 6  GLOBAL HOT SPOT | IS AMERICA IN RETREAT?
Premiere film screening at State Theatre followed by post-film discussion
with Producers/Writers Kip Perry, Elan Bentov, and Executive Producer
Tom Skinner, moderated by Jack Segal

Mar 16  USAF Major General (ret.) Marke “Hoot” Gibson, Senior Advisor, FAA
“Keeping up with the Drones: Challenges and Opportunities for the U.S.”

April 20  Lawrence Mandel, U.S. Deputy Chief of Mission, Turkey, 2014-16
“Turkey at the Crossroads”

May 18  Sam Visner, Senior VP/General Manager, Cybersecurity, ICF Intl
“The Cybersecurity Storm Front”

June 15  Dexter Filkins, award-winning journalist, author, writer for The New Yorker
“Journalism in a Facts-Optional World”

+ June 28  GLOBAL HOT SPOT | David Shambaugh, author and professor at GWU
“Where Great Powers Meet: America and China in Asia”

SEASON 24: 2017 – 2018

Sept 21  Jack D. Segal, senior U.S. diplomat (ret.)
“Nuclear Insecurity”

Oct 19  Allan Goodman President and CEO, Institute of International Education
“Meeting America’s Global Education Challenge—Why Our Kids Need Passports and Should Use Them”

Nov 16  John Beyrle, U.S. Ambassador to Russia (ret.)
“Russia 2018: Putin’s Last Act?”

Feb 15  James Levinsohn Professor of Economics, Yale University
“U.S.-China Trade: The Economics Behind the Politics”

+ Mar 6  GLOBAL HOT SPOT | THE PRICE OF PEACE
Premiere film screening at State Theatre followed by post-film discussion
with Producers/Writers Kip Perry, Elan Bentov, Executive Producer Tom Skinner,
USAF MajGen (ret.) Brian Bishop, moderated by Jack Segal

Mar 15  Sara R. Curran, Professor of International Studies and Sociology, University of Washington
“Rohingya Refugees: A Crisis Long in the Making”

+ April 5  GLOBAL HOT SPOT | “Ethics and Transparency in Today’s Media”
NPR’s ombudsman, Elizabeth Jensen, moderated by IPR Executive Director Peter Payette, plus Record Eagle News Editor Nate Payne

April 19  Reza Marashi Research Director, National Iranian-American Council
“America and Iran: Confrontation or Coexistence?”

May 17  SPECIAL PRESENTATION ON INDIA AND PAKISTAN
Rajmohan Gandhi, author, peace activist and grandson of Mahatma Gandhi and by SKYPE) Ajmal Khan, Vice Chancellor, Islamia University in Peshawar, former hostage of the Taliban (2010-2014)
Moderated by NMC Professor Amjad Khan and DJ Khan

June 21  Alfredo Corchado, author, Mexico Bureau Chief, Dallas Morning News
“U.S./Mexico - A Border in Turmoil”
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