

SMU TATE LECTURE SERIES

2021-2022 | 40TH SEASON

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2021

The Linda and Mitch Hart Lecture

**JON MEACHAM and
FAREED ZAKARIA with
DAVID GERGEN**



Former presidential adviser David Gergen will moderate a thought-provoking discussion with two renowned political experts. Award-winning journalist Fareed Zakaria explores today's most pressing issues each week on CNN's *Fareed Zakaria GPS*. Presidential historian and Pulitzer Prize-winning author Jon Meacham is one of our nation's most prominent intellectuals. Together, they'll provide a memorable evening filled with ideas and insights.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2021

GEORGE W. BUSH



George W. Bush, the 43rd president of the United States, worked to expand freedom, opportunity and security at home and abroad during his two terms in office (2001–2009). After his presidency, he and former First Lady Laura Bush founded the George W. Bush Presidential Center on the SMU campus. President Bush is the author of four bestselling books, including *Out of Many, One: Portraits of America's Immigrants*, featuring his paintings of 43 immigrants and their powerful stories.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2021

The Comerica Bank Lecture

JEROME ADAMS



Jerome Adams served as the 20th surgeon general of the United States during which he tackled medical crises ranging from the impact of Category 5 hurricanes on public health to the evolution of the global COVID-19 pandemic. Trained as an anesthesiologist, Adams focuses on some of the most complex challenges of our time, including the link between economic prosperity and community health, and the efforts to destigmatize mental health issues and improve how they are addressed.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2021

The Jones Day Lecture

AYESHA KHANNA



Artificial intelligence expert Ayesha Khanna sees the world moving past the pandemic toward a hyperlocal future where almost everything we need – fresh food, health care, jobs and education – could be within a 15-minute walk or bike ride. Khanna, the co-founder and CEO of ADDO AI, an artificial intelligence solutions firm and incubator, is among the visionaries shaping our digital world. She also serves on a global council providing guidance on the impact and governance of emerging technologies.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2022

LONNIE G. BUNCH III



Lonnie G. Bunch III is the 14th secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, overseeing 19 museums, 21 libraries, the National Zoo and a host of research and education centers. Bunch previously served as the founding director of the Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture, which he transformed into a national treasure. A widely published author, he has written on topics ranging from the Black military experience to the impact of funding and politics on American museums.

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2022

The Gaedeke Group Lecture

WALTER ISAACSON



In bestselling biographies, historian and author Walter Isaacson explored the brilliance of disruptors as varied as Leonardo da Vinci and Steve Jobs. In his latest book, *The Code Breaker: Jennifer Doudna, Gene Editing, and the Future of the Human Race* (2021), Isaacson offers a gripping account of the pioneering research in CRISPR gene editing by the Nobel Prize-winning biochemist and her collaborators, including their recent work in developing and sharing COVID-19 diagnostic tools.

TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2022

The Oncor Lecture

CARLA HARRIS



Carla Harris never encountered a glass ceiling she didn't give her all to shatter. Harris, a vice chairman, managing director and senior client adviser at Morgan Stanley, became the first Black member of the bank's management committee in 1987. Since then, she has been named a top executive by *Fortune*, *Black Enterprise* and many other publications. The multifaceted executive is also an author and an acclaimed gospel singer who has performed five sold-out concerts in Carnegie Hall.

TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2022

The Anita and Truman Arnold Lecture

KENDRA SCOTT



Kendra Scott's passion for family, fashion and philanthropy guides her billion-dollar brand. Scott serves as the designer and executive chairwoman of the namesake jewelry company she founded in 2002. She has never forgotten the guidance she received when she was starting out, and pays that support forward through the mentorship of entrepreneurs, especially women leaders. Since 2010, Scott's company has contributed \$40 million to causes focused on health, entrepreneurship and strengthening families and communities.

Season ticket renewals are July 7 – August 6, 2021.

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