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National Women’s Hall of Fame Induction Sept. 14, 2019

Sonia Sotomayor, United States Supreme Court Justice to be included

Seneca Falls, NY: - In celebration of the 100th year anniversary of Women’s Right to Vote in NY, The National Women’s Hall of Fame will host a weekend celebrating the achievements of American Women in the birthplace of the Women’s Rights movement in the U.S. The highlight of the weekend is the induction of ten women into the Hall of Fame for their historic achievements. “We are pleased to add these American women to the ranks of inductees whose leadership and achievements have changed the course of American history,” said Betty Bayer, Ph. D., the Hall's President.

The National Women's Hall of Fame will celebrate the inclusion of these extraordinary women into the ranks of the inductees at the biennial induction ceremony on September 14, 2019 at the magnificent del Lago Resort & Casino, located outside of Seneca Falls, NY.

The 2019 class of inductees were nominated by the public, judged by an interdisciplinary team of experts across the nominees’ fields, and selected for their invaluable contributions to American Society in the areas of the arts, athletics, business, education, government, humanities, philanthropy, and science.

Sonia Sotomayor: (1954- ) Sonia Sotomayor is an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, appointed by President Barack Obama in 2009 after leadership as an assistant district attorney, in private practice and across a distinguished judicial career. She is the third woman to be appointed to the Supreme Court and the first Hispanic and Latina Justice in the Court’s 230 years. A graduate of Princeton and Yale Law School, Sotomayor’s experiences as one of few Latinas at these institutions led her to advocate for inclusion on campuses, foreshadowing her focus on public service across her career.

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During her tenure on the Supreme Court, Sotomayor has been reputed for her work concerning the rights of defendants, calls for reform of the criminal justice system, and attention to issues of race, gender and ethnic identity. Justice Sotomayor is also an author, including of “My Beloved World/Mi Mundo Adorado,” “A Judge Grows in the Bronx/La juez que creció en el Bronx” and “Turning pages/Pasando Páginas.” A recipient of the Katherine Hepburn Award from Bryn Mawr College honoring women who change the world, Sotomayor has also received multiple honorary degrees, including from her alma mater Princeton University.

Fellow 2019 Inductees:

Gloria Allred, Attorney & Activist
Angela Davis, Professor & Activist
Sarah Deer, Professor, Lawyer & Advocate
Jane Fonda, Actress & Activist
Nicole Malachowski, U.S.A.F. Ret.,

Rose O’Neill, Artist & Activist
Louse Slaughter, Former U.S. Congress member, Advocate
Laurie Spiegel, Composer
Flossie Wong-Staal, Biologist

About the NATIONAL WOMEN’S HALL OF FAME

The National Women’s Hall of Fame was founded in 1969 and is the nation’s oldest membership organization and museum dedicated to honoring and celebrating the achievements of distinguished American women. In pursuit of its mission of “Showcasing Great Women...Inspiring All,” the National Women’s Hall of Fame honors the women of the past, relates the history of women’s struggles, prepares the women of the future and serves as the voice celebrating the value of women.

Situated in Seneca Falls, NY, the birthplace of women’s rights, the Hall tells women’s stories by focusing on the leadership lessons from its inductees throughout American history. The Hall is in the process of revitalizing the former Seneca Knitting Mill as its new home with the plan to create a vibrant, state-of-the-art facility serving as a leadership center and an educational venue where visitors can discover and be inspired by the stories of great American women. For information about our 2019 inductees, please go to https://www.womenofthehall.org/introducing-2019-nwhf-inductees.

For tickets to induction: https://www.womenofthehall.org/event/2019-induction-weekend/

* This list of the 2019 class of inductees to the National Women’s Hall of Fame contains only the names of those nominees whose attendance at the Seneca Falls Induction ceremony is confirmed at this point. Additional inductees may be announced pending scheduling and travel confirmation.

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