

Read the Books of Global Summit XII

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Extraterrestrial: The First Sign of Intelligent Life Beyond Earth

By Avi Loeb

"In *Extraterrestrial*, Loeb takes readers inside the thrilling story of the first interstellar visitor to be spotted in our solar system. He outlines his controversial theory and its profound implications: for science, for religion, and for the future of our species and our planet. A mind-bending journey through the furthest reaches of science, space-time, and the human imagination, *Extraterrestrial* challenges readers to aim for the stars—and to think critically about what's out there, no matter strange it seems. " [1]

Hear more from Dr. Loeb at his Global Summit XII event, "Extraterrestrial Life: Are We the Sharpest Cookies in the Jar?" on **Wednesday, May 12** at 7:30 p.m.

Register [here!](#)

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Statecraft: Strategies for a Changing World

By Margaret Thatcher, Writing Assisted by Nile Gardiner

"In *Statecraft*, Margaret Thatcher, a unique world figure, discusses global military, political, and economic challenges of the twenty-first century. The former British Prime Minister brings her unrivaled political experience to comment on the threats that democracy faces at the dawn of the new millennium and the role Western powers should play in the world's hotspots, especially in the aftermath of September 11, 2001." [2]

Hear more from Nile Gardiner at his Global Summit XII event, "The Iron Lady on Screen: Discussing Margaret Thatcher in Film and on TV" **Friday, May 14** at 7:30 p.m.

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We Should Have Seen It Coming: From Reagan to Trump--A Front-Row Seat to a Political Revolution

By [Gerald F. Seib](#)

"In *We Should Have Seen It Coming*, veteran journalist Gerald F. Seib shows how this conservative movement came to dominate national politics, then began to evolve into the populist movement that Donald Trump rode to power. Conservative institutions including the Heritage Foundation, the National Rifle Association, Americans for Tax Reform, Rush Limbaugh and Fox News gave the conservative movement a support system, paving the way for Newt Gingrich's Contract with America and George W. Bush's compassionate conservatism. But we also see multiple warning signs, many overlooked or misread, that a populist revolution was brewing. Pat Buchanan, Ross Perot, Sarah Palin, and the Tea Party—all were precursors of the Trump takeover." [3]

Hear more from Gerald Seib at his Global Summit XII event, "We Should Have Seen It Coming: From Reagan to Trump--A Front-Row Seat to a Political Revolution" **Monday, May 17 at 7:30 p.m.**

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Madam Speaker: Nancy Pelosi and the Lessons of Power

By [Susan Page](#)

Featuring more than 150 exclusive interviews with those who know her best—and a series of in-depth, news-making interviews with Pelosi herself—*Madam Speaker* is unprecedented in the scope of its exploration of Nancy Pelosi's remarkable life and of her indelible impact on American politics.

Hear more from Susan Page at her Global Summit XII event, "Madam Speaker: Nancy Pelosi and the Lessons of Power" **Wednesday, May 19 at 7:30 p.m.**

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The Triumph of Nancy Reagan

By [Karen Tumulty](#)

Karen Tumulty, a political columnist for the Washington Post, spent four years interviewing the Reagans' closest friends and associates before

writing her critically acclaimed new book on Nancy Reagan, "The Triumph of Nancy Reagan." Released on April 13, the book draws on overlooked archives, letters, memoirs, and White House records.

The extensive biography covers tensions and breakthroughs with the former Soviet Union, Nancy's celebrated war on drugs, and the AIDS epidemic, which Ronald Regan ignored for several years before acknowledging it upon Nancy Reagan persuasion.

Hear more from Karen Tumulty at her Global Summit XII event, "Nancy Reagan: Archives, Letters, Memoirs, and Interviews Offering a New and Revealing Look at the Former First Lady" on **Thursday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m.**

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Lifelines: A Doctor's Journey in the Fight for Public Health

By [Dr. Leana Wen](#)

"From medical expert Leana Wen, MD, *Lifelines* is an insider's account of public health and its crucial role—from opioid addiction to global pandemic—and an inspiring story of her journey from struggling immigrant to being one of Time's 100 Most Influential People."^[4]

Hear more from Dr. Leana Wen at her Global Summit XII event, "*Lifelines: A Doctor's Journey in the Fight for Public Health*" on **Friday, May 21 at 1 p.m.**

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Pre-order the book [here!](#)

The Paladin

By [David Ignatius](#)

"When a daring, high-tech CIA operation goes wrong and is disavowed, Michael Dunne sets out for revenge.

CIA operations officer Michael Dunne is tasked with infiltrating an Italian news organization that smells like a front for an enemy intelligence service. Headed by an American journalist, the self-styled bandits run a cyber operation unlike anything the CIA has seen before. Fast, slick, and indiscriminate, the group steals secrets from everywhere and anyone, and exploits them in ways the CIA can neither understand nor stop.

Dunne knows it's illegal to run a covert op on an American citizen or journalist, but he has never refused an assignment and his boss has

assured his protection. Soon after Dunne infiltrates the organization, however, his cover disintegrates. When news of the operation breaks and someone leaks that Dunne had an extramarital affair while on the job, the CIA leaves him to take the fall. Now a year later, fresh out of jail, Dunne sets out to hunt down and take vengeance on the people who destroyed his life." [5]

Hear more from David Ignatius at his Global Summit XII event, "The Paladin" on **Monday, May 24 at 7: 30 p.m.**

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Under Fire: Reporting from the Front Lines of the Trump White House

By April Ryan

"In *Under Fire*, Ryan takes us inside the confusion and chaos of the Trump White House to understand how she and other reporters adjusted to the new normal. She takes us inside the policy debates, the revolving door of personnel appointments, and what it is like when she, as a reporter asking difficult questions, finds herself in the spotlight, becoming part of the story." [6]

Hear more from April Ryan at her Global Summit XII event, "Front Row to History: Reporting form the Front Lines of the White House" on **Wednesday, May 26 at 7:30 p.m.**

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Our Towns: A 100,000-Mile Journey into the Heart of America

By James & Deborah Fallows

"A vivid, surprising portrait of the civic and economic reinvention taking place in America, town by town and generally out of view of the national media. A realistically positive and provocative view of the country between its coasts.

For the last five years, James and Deborah Fallows have been traveling across America in a single-engine prop airplane. Visiting dozens of towns, they have met hundreds of civic leaders, workers, immigrants, educators, environmentalists, artists, public servants, librarians, business people, city planners, students, and entrepreneurs to take the pulse and understand the prospects of places that usually draw notice only after a disaster or during a political campaign.." [7]

Hear more from James & Deborah Fallows at their Global Summit XII

event, "Our Towns: From the Pages to the Screen" on Thursday, May 27 at 7:30 p.m.

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Global Summit XII

The Jefferson is hosting Global Summit XII – a free digital speaker series over a three-week period from May 10 to May 27.

Global Summit XII events in May will be hosted through Zoom with details available on the [JES website](#).

There is no bulk registration as individual Zoom links are created for each of the events. You must register for events individually to reserve your spot to receive your customized links. Emails with your links will be sent out after registration, a week before the event, a day before the event, and an hour before the event for your convenience to ensure you have the link available to you.

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See the full lineup and register [here!](#)

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