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## **NINA TOTENBERG** October 21, 2024 Monday, 8 pm

With a career spanning more than 40 years, Totenberg has been at the US Supreme Court longer than any sitting justice. She shares insightful reporting on all aspects of the Court as NPR's legal affairs correspondent. Her memoir Dinners with Ruth: A Memoir on the Power of Friendships was a New York Times bestseller.

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## ANNETTE GORDON-REED November 4, 2024 Monday, 8 pm

Renowned for her groundbreaking work on Thomas Jefferson and Sally Hemings, Gordon-Reed was the first Black person awarded the Pulitzer Prize for History. She was honored with MacArthur and Guggenheim Fellowships, and won the National Book Award for *The Hemingses of Monticello*. Her most recent book is *On Juneteenth*.

## OREN ETZIONI January 27, 2025 Monday, 8 pm

A pioneer in artificial intelligence, Etzioni was founding CEO of Allen Institute for Al, partnering with Microsoft cofounder Paul Allen. The first student to major in computer science at Harvard, his non-profit TrueMedia.org fights disinformation by developing technology to identify deepfakes and altered images.

## ADM. JAMES STAVRIDIS February 24, 2025 Monday, 8 pm

NATO Supreme Allied Commander from 2009 to 2013, Stavridis oversaw operations in Afghanistan, Libya, Syria, the Balkans, and counter piracy off the coast of Africa. A 4-star US Navy admiral, scholar, and diplomat, he holds a PhD in international relations and was dean of Tufts' Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy.

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### CHRIS WALLACE March 24, 2025 Monday, 8 pm

Award-winning television anchor and commentator, Wallace's career on ABC, NBC, Fox News, and CNN spans five decades. He anchored *Fox News Sunday* for 18 years, and has interviewed everyone from Vladimir Putin to George Clooney to Bill Gates. He is currently host of *The Chris Wallace Show*.

# ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER April 21, 2025 Monday, 8 pm

The longest running musical in Broadway history, Lloyd Webber's Phantom of the Opera ran for 35 years. With four decades of continuously running shows in London and New York, his iconic musicals include Cats, School of Rock, and Evita. He achieved the rare EGOT status–winning Emmy, Grammy, Oscar, and Tony awards.

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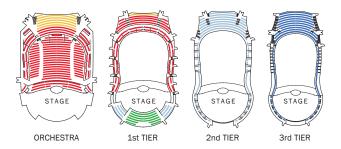


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