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Silver Soirée

Celebrating 25 Years

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Sheila E.

**SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR
LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**



Debbie Nez-Manuel

VOICE OF WOMEN AWARD



Candace Lew, MD

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Program

WELCOME

Carey Peña, Mistress of Ceremonies
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Maureen Bussoletti, AFW Board Chair

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Monica Lindstrom, Debbie Nez-Manuel

PRESENTATION OF SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Mesha Davis, Sheila E.

Q&A

Sheila E. and Carey Peña

CLOSING REMARKS

Carey Peña

Menu

Salad

Tomato Caprese Salad

Entrée

Sweet Miso Glazed Salmon

with Mashed Potatoes and Brussel Sprouts

Vegetarian Option

Eggplant Medallions

with Chickpeas and Brussel Sprouts

Dessert

New York Cheesecake

Brownies

ARIZONA FOUNDATION FOR WOMEN

VISION

We envision an Arizona where women are safe, healthy and economically independent.

MISSION

Advancing the status of Arizona's women through research, advocacy and philanthropy to ensure their safety, health and economic independence.

*We focus on three ways to make sure SHE Counts!®
We conduct research, advocacy and funding in order to advance the Safety, Health and Economic empowerment of women.*

For 25 years, Arizona Foundation for Women has been a voice for women's issues including domestic violence, sex trafficking, housing, healthcare and equal pay. Over its lifetime, AFW has helped thousands of women break the cycle of poverty, eliminate abuse in their lives and gain economic self-sufficiency.

Through a holistic strategy of grants, research and advocacy, we leverage our brand, reputation, relationships and collaborative spirit to have a positive impact on the lives of women in Arizona.

Arizona Foundation for Women is a proud supporting organization of Arizona Community Foundation.

Message From Our Founder



Dear Guests,

Twenty five years ago, domestic violence was not yet a household word but, rather, a “family secret.” Fast forward to today and this secret has been let out of the bottle. Legal progress has been made. While the issue continues, the public has become aware. Domestic and partner violence now include criminal consequences.

While the founding group of AFW fought for the rights of women to be safe and seen, we are once again raising our collective voices. Women and children are now facing another silent killer: the trafficking of human beings. Fueled by pornography, mainly targeting at risk young women and, sadly, children, human trafficking has reached the same epidemic proportions. While not as newsworthy as the coronavirus, it is spreading just as quickly and affecting those whose voices, as with domestic violence, are neither heard nor their faces seen.

It is an honor to be part of the efforts of the Arizona Foundation for Women over the past 25 years to fight horrific forms of violence against women and children. We began with the premise that women and children have the right to be safe, secure and treasured and we continue as defenders of women and children. Women and children plant the seeds we so badly need for a common humanity in a toxic society.

We cannot be silent when we see: humans in cages, beaten, starved and raped; children deprived of the innocence of youth. These victims, of trauma and abuse, have an even higher wall to climb. With our help and hope, they, like Humpty Dumpty, won't have to be put back together again.

Your support for AFW gives us the decibel level we need to be heard, seen and successful in fighting for the human rights of those who hold up Half the Sky!! Our speaking out will allow other woman to speak until laws are changed and lives are saved. Only silence is more frightening than speaking the truth.

Thank you for your support and shared dedication to turning cries of pain into cries of joy and inclusion. We are AFW strong.and SHE Counts!®

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marilyn Seymann".

MARILYN SEYMANN

Message from the Board Chair



Dear Silver Soirée Attendees,

On behalf of Arizona Foundation for Women's Board of Directors, we are grateful and delighted to have you join us this evening as we celebrate our 25th anniversary. This is an important day as proceeds will allow us to advance our mission of improving the lives of women in Arizona in the areas of **S**afety, **H**ealth and **E**conomic Empowerment (**SHE Counts!**®) through research, advocacy and philanthropy.

This work is unique in our community and only possible with your generous support.

We are delighted to celebrate the inspiring work of our 2022 honorees: Sheila E., Debbie Nez-Manuel and Candace Lew, MD.

The Sandra Day O'Connor Lifetime Achievement Award honoree Sheila E., is an award winning artist and philanthropist who has used her powerful voice to make meaningful progress on gender and racial equity through advocacy, awareness and her work as co-founder of the nonprofit Elevate Oakland, leveraging music and art to serve the needs of inner city youth.

Our Voice of Women ward honoree Debbie Nez-Manuel is a longtime community leader, activist and advocate for people of color in urban, rural and remote communities across Arizona. Our Marilyn R. Seymann award honoree Candace Lew is a medical doctor of obstetrics and gynecology and leading public health professional and champion for reproductive, maternal health, contraception, and community mobilization.

Thank you to all in attendance for extending our reach and impact in our communities and across our state. Together, we will make an enduring, life-changing difference to so many and ensure SHE Counts!®

Much love and gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Maureen Bussolletti". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

MAUREEN BUSSOLETTI
AFW Board Chair

Message from the CEO



Thank you for attending our Silver Soirée. It's been three long years since we've had our last in-person awards celebration and it is with a warm heart that I thank you for joining us this evening as we celebrate 25 years of elevating women in our state. What a pleasure it is to meet so many new people in the room and reconnect with old friends.

Tonight, whether you're learning about Arizona Foundation for Women (AFW) for the first time, or hearing updates about our impact, take a moment and reflect on when you made a small or grand gesture that changed a woman's emotional well-being or her life at a critical time. Hopefully this thought made you smile. But don't stop there. Reach out and help one or more women, especially those impacted by the onslaught of COVID.

All at once and on a global scale, the status of women's safety, health and economic empowerment took a plunge. Our movement over the last 100 years reversed course in just a few months. During a time where programs and services were needed the most, many nonprofit organizations found themselves turning women away or closing their doors. AFW worked hard to stay resilient and present during this unimaginable time. However, our battle has not only continued, its re-beginning. Tonight, your support helps ensure our mission continues to permeate throughout Arizona. We envision an Arizona where women are able to create an equitable and just future, and one where they are safe, healthy and economically independent.

Now let's revel among like-minded individuals such as yourself as we celebrate 25 years of elevating women and advancing their status beyond where we stood pre-pandemic. Congrats to our honorees tonight who move mountains for women.

I invite you to be a part of the change, embracing the power of AFW and join our family and our history.

Now enjoy your evening!

From my heart,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mesha Davis'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline.

MESHA DAVIS
Chief Executive Officer

Message from the Co-Chairs



Thank you for joining us to celebrate Arizona Foundation for Women's 25th Anniversary, and for bestowing upon us the honor of co-chairing the 2022 Silver Soirée! We are so grateful to each of you for your generosity, enthusiasm, and support for this wonderful organization. In particular, we want to thank our table hosts, event sponsors, and in-kind donors for not only helping us to make this year's event such a unique and memorable milestone for the foundation, but one which will so very positively impact many lives.



We want to thank the AFW Board of Directors, staff, and all our volunteers for their tireless work and dedication all year long. Your commitment to AFW's mission of improving the safety, health, and economic empowerment of the women of Arizona ensures the longevity and impact of its programs and the availability of services for the women who need it the most.

Congratulations to the remarkable and talented Sheila E. for receiving the 2022 Sandra Day O'Connor Lifetime Achievement Award, the inspiring and passionate Debbie Nez-Manuel for receiving the Voice of Women award, and a true champion of women's health, Dr. Candace Lew, for receiving the Marilyn R. Seymann award. We are thrilled to be in the company of such giving, courageous, and trailblazing women!

Finally, thank you to all of you, our honored attendees tonight who have come here with a sense of community, responsibility, and support for AFW. This event would not be possible without the life that you breathe into this wonderful organization, and we are so appreciative. With your support, AFW continues to elevate the lives of so many women in our community.

"Here's to strong women. May we know them. May we be them. May we raise them."

With love and gratitude,

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SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Sheila E.



Guided by the forces of family, faith, and music, Sheila E. has made a name for herself as one of the most talented musical icons over the decades. With a fearless nature and a passion for sharing her gifts with others, Sheila truly follows the beat of her own drum. She touches the lives of so many, with her dynamic music career at the heart of everything. Sheila's eagerness to share her music, openness as an author, and fire for her ministry make her such a relatable, inspirational figure for people of all ages.

Born into a musical family, Sheila Escovedo (Sheila E.) has been driven by an inner rhythm her entire life. As a young girl, she was immersed in the diverse music scenes of the Bay Area—influenced and inspired

by her percussionist father Pete Escovedo; musical uncles Coke Escovedo, Alejandro Escovedo, Mario Escovedo, and Javier Escovedo; and godfather Tito Puente. Growing up in the Escovedo household, musical instruments were for everyone. “Nobody cared as long as you could keep time (or have a good time),” she writes in her memoir, *The Beat Of My Own Drum*.

Before Sheila had language, she had rhythm. When she was 3 years old, she developed a love for playing various musical instruments, feeling the most connected to the drums and other percussion instruments. Born into an environment filled with music, with music running through her veins, Sheila found an inner beat that fueled her every move. As a young child, she'd copy the hand movements of her father as he played the drums—planting the seed for what would quickly become her life's passion.

At the age of 5, Sheila gave her first public performance for an audience of 3,000, appearing alongside her dad. It was while on that stage playing a drum solo that Sheila first realized she was going to be a percussionist. Five decades later, and the beat that has always driven her is showing no signs of slowing down. The famous drummer, singer, songwriter, author, humanitarian, and icon is following the beat of her own drum. She considers music to be the purest form of self-expression and the one true love of her life.

Sheila E.

Sheila E. is a Grammy- and Emmy-nominated musician, author and humanitarian.

She is regarded as the “Queen of Percussion” in reference to her decades long musical career, working as a solo artist and with numerous legendary musicians in various genres. Sheila E. has been just as instrumental in making meaningful progress on gender and racial equity.

Through her advocacy and awareness surrounding gender inequality in the music industry, to being television’s first female musical director (for Magic Johnson’s “The Magic Hour”) and her philanthropic work as co-founder of nonprofit Elevate Oakland, Sheila E. demonstrates passion for women’s safety, health and economic well-being. Furthermore, through the creation of her YouTube show, “Sheila E. TV”, she provides a platform for fellow trailblazing women who have made significant impacts in their fields.

Sheila E.’s musical career has earned her accolades that include: the Latin Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award, which she was awarded alongside her father in 2021; two Primetime Emmy nominations and four Grammy nominations. In 2014, she released her memoir, *The Beat of My Own Drum*, where she bravely shares her journey through the music industry and her personal battle overcoming childhood abuse.

“Thank you, Arizona Foundation for Women for honoring me with the Sandra Day O’Connor Lifetime Achievement Award, I am humbled and honored. Sandra Day O’Connor has always been an inspiration, this is very personal to me. I believe it is important for us as women to recognize, acknowledge and uplift each other. AFW’s work in research, advocacy and philanthropy does just that and the SHE Counts campaign is making a profound impact. Safety, Health and Economic Empowerment are powerful tools in creating security, strength and independence.”

- Sheila E.

2022 VOICE OF WOMEN AWARD

Debbie Nez-Manuel



Debbie Nez-Manuel is a longtime community leader and activist. Ms. Nez-Manuel is a profoundly impactful advocate for people of color in urban, rural, and remote communities around Arizona.

She has extensive experience and expertise in mobilizing citizens into deep and meaningful community engagement. Ms. Nez-Manuel grew up on the Navajo Nation in northern Arizona and has lived in the Phoenix metro area for three decades. She has had a successful career with Casey Family Programs in their partnership with Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

Ms. Nez-Manuel has a comprehensive and exceptional understanding of the complexities surrounding the victimization of Native American women and girls. She was instrumental to the unanimous passage in the Arizona Senate and House of HB 2570, monumental legislation establishing a 21-member Study Committee on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls. The bill was the first of its kind in the nation, and other states are following suit.

The election of Ms. Nez-Manuel in the Democratic party in January 2020 was a historic milestone for the Arizona Democratic Party as she became its first Indigenous National Committee Person.

Debbie is Tsénjikiní – a Navajo clan also known as the Cliff Dweller People. She is born for the Tsénahabitnii, Sleepy Rock People. Her maternal grandchild of the Tsi'naajinii, Black Streaked Forest People and the paternal granddaughter to the Tábaqahí, Waters



Edge People. Debbie Nez-Manuel originates from the Navajo Nation and grew up in Klagetoh Arizona. Today Debbie resides with her children in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

Candace Lew, MD



Candace Lew is a medical doctor of obstetrics and gynecology and a leading public health professional.

She has over 25 years of experience in domestic and international activities related to reproductive and maternal health, contraception and community mobilization.

After many years of a successful OB-GYN practice, Candace returned to Johns Hopkins to earn an MPH in Public Health.

Not content to ensure maternal health equity only in Arizona, Dr. Lew spent the next many years traveling around the world to deliver family planning services, and training frontline clinical workers in lesser developed countries where they have not yet gotten the message that SHE Counts![®]

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IN MEMORIAM

Arizona Foundation for Women would like to celebrate the life and work of the following supporters who we have lost in recent years.

Their legacies continue on through our work and the many other lives they have touched.

JUDD HERBERGER



July 13, 1942 - October 27, 2021

Judd is best known for his ardent support of the arts here in Arizona however his generosity and legacy extends to many causes, including AFW.

Along with his wife Billie Jo, Judd was an ardent supporter of our mission and his presence is greatly missed by our community.

PATRICK BERTENSHAW



March 26, 1968 - August 5, 2021

We were extremely privileged to have Pat as a dedicated AFW member and volunteer on our Professional Advisors Committee.

Pat fully embodied the AFW mission and gave back by helping women prepare for and navigate difficult financial situations, such as becoming suddenly single, and by growing many women's organizations through his business, Bertenshaw Wealth Management.

JOHN O. WHITEMAN



1940 - May 30, 2019

John was a strong supporter of AFW's mission over the years and we are grateful for all of his many contributions to the state of Arizona.

He and his wife Betty have been long time advocates for the safety, health and economic empowerment of women.

Past Honorees

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Sandra Day O'Connor Lifetime Achievement Award

The Sandra Day O'Connor Lifetime Achievement Award is given annually to a woman who has distinguished herself through her leadership and contributions to society through her lifetime achievements and work specifically benefitting women and families. The first award was presented at the first annual Awards Luncheon in 1997.



1997 | HONORABLE SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR

Sandra Day O'Connor, the first woman named to the U.S. Supreme Court, has made history through her appointment, breaking the ultimate "glass ceiling" in the legal profession. She has forever shattered the idea that women were not qualified to serve on the nation's highest court – and by her role model, further opened the door for women at all levels of the legal profession.



1998 | ELIZABETH DOLE

Elizabeth Dole, former director of the American Red Cross, began her career as a U.S. public official during the Johnson administration. In January 1999, she announced her candidacy for the Republican presidential nomination in the 2000 election. Despite withdrawing from the race before the primaries began, Mrs. Dole made a powerful statement to the world about the strength of women in politics.



1999 | TIPPER GORE

As an advocate for family issues and a champion for the homeless and mentally ill, Mrs. Gore's commitment to mending tattered families makes her one of our most sympathetic national nurturers. Mrs. Gore is a devoted mother of four children and wife of former Vice President Al Gore. She is recognized throughout the world as a champion and advocate on behalf of families, women and children.

SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Past Honorees



2000 | MARIAN WRIGHT EDELMAN

Marian Wright Edelman, civil rights activist and founder of the Children's Defense Fund (CDF), has dedicated her life to helping those in need. She founded CDF in the 1970s to apply pressure on the federal government to help poor children and to coordinate nationwide activities to help children. Mrs. Edelman continues her advocacy today, focusing on Head Start, health care, and support for homeless children.



2001 | ERIN BROCKOVICH

Erin Brockovich, the crusading paralegal whose story was made into a hit movie, is a stellar example of how one woman can make a world of difference. As a single mother struggling to support her three children, Ms. Brockovich took a job as a file clerk, which led to her investigation of a toxic leak that devastated the health of an entire community. Her persistence resulted in the largest direct action lawsuit of its kind, paying \$333 million to more than 600 people.



2002 | BARBARA BUSH

Rarely has a First Lady been greeted by the American people with the warmth accorded to "everybody's grandmother," Barbara Bush. A strong advocate of volunteerism, Mrs. Bush helped many causes – including children's issues, the homeless, AIDS, the elderly, and school volunteer programs. She is also the Honorary Chairman of the Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy.



2003 | SALLY RIDE

Sally Ride soared higher than any other woman as the first female American astronaut. She spent 10 years in the corps, flying on the 7th and 13th Shuttle flights. After the 1986 Challenger disaster, Ms. Ride moved to Washington, D.C., as part of the presidential investigation commission. Before her death in 2012, she founded Imaginary Lines, which is devoted to encouraging girls to pursue the fields of math, science and engineering.

SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

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2004 | YVONNE FEDDERSON AND SARA O'MEARA

These two dynamic women are not only co-founders of Childhelp USA, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the treatment, prevention and research of child abuse and neglect, but they are also best friends. Ms. Fedderson and Ms. O'Meara have dedicated their lives to their work for children. They have received a national Lifetime Achievement Award from President George W. Bush and First Lady Laura Bush and a nomination for the 2005 Nobel Peace Prize.



2005 | PAT MITCHELL

Under Ms. Mitchell's leadership from 2000 to 2006, the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) energized and rejuvenated its programming and strengthened its commitment to serve the American public. Ms. Mitchell expanded PBS' public affairs offerings and renewed its commitment to education through daily shows such as Sesame Street and Reading Rainbow, enhanced teacher resources, curriculum and literary initiatives.



2006 | MARLO THOMAS

As an actress, producer, author and social activist, Ms. Thomas has championed women's issues throughout her career. She is a founding director of the Ms. Foundation for Women and member of the board of the National Women's Political Caucus. Ms. Thomas has dedicated her work with St. Jude Children's Research Hospital to benefit children dealing with catastrophic diseases.



2007 | LAURA BUSH

Mrs. Laura Bush has actively been involved in issues of national and global concern, with a particular emphasis on education, healthcare and human rights. She has worked tirelessly to call attention to the need for schools, teachers and libraries, both in the United States and abroad. Through Helping America's Youth initiative, Mrs. Bush has visited mentoring programs around the country to support young people becoming strong, productive adults.

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2008 | JANET NAPOLITANO

Janet Napolitano, former Arizona Governor and U.S. Director of Homeland Security in the Obama Administration, worked tirelessly on behalf of Arizona's women and children in her role as our state's top public leader. One of her top accomplishments for women was to create public funding to address the domestic violence "turn away" problem throughout the state.



2009 | MADELEINE K. ALBRIGHT

Dr. Albright served our nation as Secretary of State with dedication to the pursuit of democratic ideals and human rights. Her illustrious career has included numerous roles, from the United Nations to the State Department and beyond. Dr. Albright has worked to achieve greater global understanding and to secure human rights so that our world is safer, more civil, and secure.



2010 | ANDREA JUNG

Ms. Jung has used her visibility as the first female CEO of Avon to better the standing of women in all walks of life. Due to her personal commitment to addressing domestic violence and the terrible toll it takes, Avon has donated more than \$16 million to end violence against women, and has launched an international initiative on justice for women and girls.



2011 | BILLIE JEAN KING

Named one of the "100 Most Important Americans of the 20th Century" by Life Magazine, and a 2009 recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom, Ms. King, an international tennis superstar, has long been a tireless pioneer for social justice. Known for boldly breaking down barriers, she is recognized for spearheading the women's movement in tennis and for her lifelong pursuit of equality in sports and in life.

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2012 | FRANCES HESSELBEIN

Frances Hesselbein is a shining beacon honored many times over for her service as a pioneer for women, volunteerism, diversity and opportunity. As president and CEO of the Frances Hesselbein Leadership Institute (formerly the Peter F. Drucker Foundation for Nonprofit Management) and CEO of the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A., she has been honored with a Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Bill Clinton and two Presidential Commissions on National and Community Service by President George H. W. Bush.



2013 | GOLDIE HAWN

Actress Goldie Hawn has dedicated much of her life to improving the well-being of women and children. Through The Hawn Foundation and its signature program, MindUP™, Ms. Hawn has helped equip children and educators with the emotional literacy skills they need to navigate the challenges of the world. Her dedication to helping children lead smarter, healthier and happier lives compelled Ms. Hawn to author several best selling books to inspire children and parents alike.



2014 | MARILYN CARLSON NELSON

Marilyn Carlson Nelson, who is former chairman and chief executive officer of Carlson, a global travel and hospitality company, has appeared on Forbes magazine's list as one of "The World's 100 Most Powerful Women" and one of "America's Best Leaders," according to U.S. News & World Report. Under her leadership, Ms. Nelson's company was the first major North American travel company to take a stand against the sexual exploitation of children in the tourism industry.



2015 | CINDY HENSLEY MCCAIN

Cindy Hensley McCain has dedicated her life to improving the lives of those less fortunate, both in the U.S. and around the world. As co-chair of the Arizona Governor's Council on human trafficking and on the McCain Institute's Human Trafficking Advisory Council, she is dedicated to reducing this worldwide epidemic and improving the lives of victims.

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2016 | MARIA SHRIVER

Mother of four. Peabody- and Emmy-winning journalist and producer. Six-time New York Times best-selling author. NBC News Special Anchor. Women's advocate. Alzheimer's activist. Voice for the voiceless. Maria Shriver has long been a champion for women's empowerment, economic entrepreneurship and social justice, while also lending her voice as an advocate on behalf of the poor, the intellectually disabled and families struggling with Alzheimer's.



2018 | ASHLEY JUDD

Having won major acting awards worldwide, Judd demonstrates her range in a variety of genres and is a proven box office draw. Judd serves on the Advisory Boards of International Center for Research on Women, Apne Aap Worldwide, and Demand Abolition. In 2018, Judd was named one of TIME Magazine's Person of The Year for her activism and leadership in the feminist movement.



2019 | SOLEDAD O'BRIEN

Soledad O'Brien is an award-winning journalist, speaker, author and philanthropist. O'Brien also reports for HBO Real Sports, the PBS NewsHour, WebMD and has authored two books. She was won numerous awards, including three Emmys, the George Peabody award, an Alfred I DuPont prize and the Gracie. Newsweek Magazine named her one of the "15 People Who Make America Great." With her husband, she is founder of the PowHERful Foundation that helps young women get to and through college.



2020 | GRETCHEN CARLSON

Journalist, author, and empowerment advocate Gretchen Carlson paved the way for the #MeToo movement, with her historic 2016 sexual harassment complaint against the chairman of Fox News, Roger Ailes. Named one of Time Magazine's "100 Most Influential People in the World," Carlson is one of America's most successful news anchors, as well as a globally recognized advocate for female empowerment, with her TED Talk on the subject garnering almost 2 million views. She is also the celebrated author of the New York Times bestseller "Be Fierce."

VOICE OF WOMEN AWARD PAST HONOREES

In recognition of people who have demonstrated their ability to inform the world about women's issues. These award recipients have made education and knowledge accessible, with responsibility and action.

2003: Lesley Jane Seymour

2004: Carole Black

2005: Eve Ensler

2006: Sally Field

2007: Elizabeth Lee Vliet, M.D.

2008: Anna Deveare Smith

2009: Victoria Rowell

2010: Téa Leoni

2011: Eileen Fisher

2012: Barbara Barrett

2013: Ernie Allen

2014: Ambassador Swanee Hunt

2015: Linda Smith

2016: Bruce Arians

2018: Dr. Jen Welter

2019: Tom Donahue

2020: Christi Paul

MARILYN R. SEYMANN AWARD PAST HONOREES

In recognition of women who have turned their vision for improving the lives of others into a reality. Created in honor of Dr. Marilyn Seymann, who founded Arizona Foundation for Women in 1995.

2002: Marilyn R. Seymann

2003: Cramer-Krasselt

2004: Linda Pope

2005: Patti Naughton

2006: Deb Carstens

2007: MonaLou Callery

2008: Jeannie Herberger

2009: Ruth McGregor

2010: Diane Halle

2011: Chris Bray

2012: Tamara Woodbury

2013: Missy Anderson

2014: Michelle King Robson

2015: Justice Rebecca White Berch

2016: Kendis Key Muscheid

2018: Dr. Ken Snyder

2019: Kim Hartmann

2020: Barbara L. Strachan

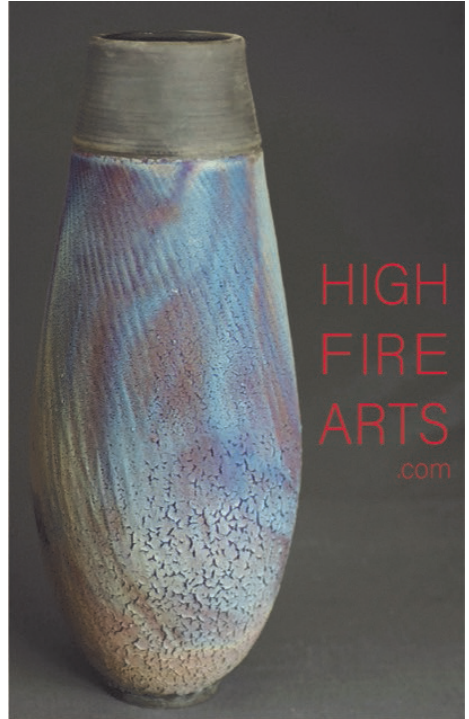


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