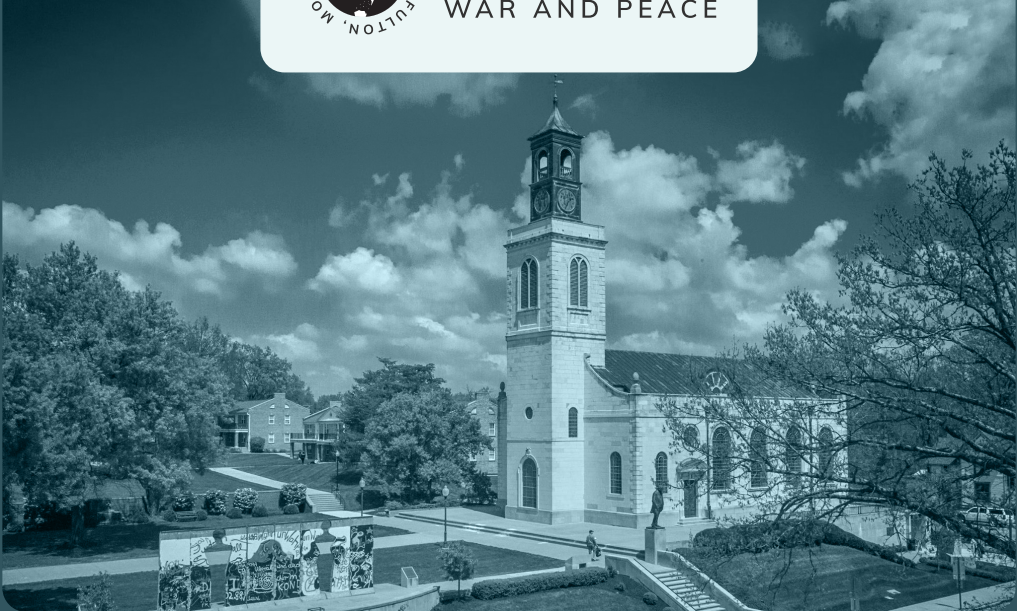




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WELCOME FROM THE

International Churchill Society Board of Directors

Dear attendee,

Welcome to the thirty-ninth annual International Churchill Conference! We are grateful for your participation in the first North American conference since 2019. This year the **International Churchill Society** and **America's National Churchill Museum** have partnered with the **National WWI Museum and Memorial** to create a unique experience, one that takes place in two different Missouri cities: Kansas City and Fulton, both rich in Churchill connections.

2022 has already proven to be a historic year, one in which events have shown the continuing relevance of the example of Winston Churchill's leadership. When Andrew Roberts delivered the inaugural **Stephen and Jane Poss Distinguished Churchill Lecture** at last year's conference in London, he spoke about the kaleidoscopic nature of Churchill's policy towards Russia. Little did we know that in the following months after Roberts' lecture, Russia would invade Ukraine and reinvigorate the Western Alliance in the process.

Churchill: War and Peace is the theme of this year's conference and it will provide both historical and contemporary perspectives. Chess Grandmaster **Garry Kasparov**, a longtime and staunch critic of Vladimir Putin, will deliver the **Enid and R. Crosby Kemper Lecture** in the historic Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Aldermanbury on the campus of Westminster College in Fulton. The London church, designed by Sir Christopher Wren, was destroyed in the Second World War during the Blitz and painstakingly rebuilt in the place where Churchill delivered his famous "Iron Curtain" speech in 1946.

A remnant of the Berlin Wall, sculpted by Churchill's granddaughter **Edwina Sandys**, now further enhances the site.

In Kansas City, **Tim Bouverie**, author of a critical study of the appeasement policies pursued by the West before 1939, will deliver this year's Stephen and Jane Poss Distinguished Churchill Lecture. Dr. **Sean McMeekin**, author of *Stalin's War: A New History of World War II*, provides additional perspective, and our keynote speech will be made by Professor **Angela Stent** of Georgetown University and recognized authority on contemporary Russian foreign policy. Chartwell Property Curator **Katherine Carter** will provide a look into how Churchill's portraits reflected times of war and peace. Actor **Christian McKay** will bring a fresh viewpoint into the relationship between the two great wartime leaders, Churchill and Roosevelt, and he will detail his research in order to portray them on television and radio.

Leading from the front is our honorary master of ceremonies, author **Candice Millard**, who is ecstatic to be welcoming the conference to her hometown of Kansas City. We are grateful for the hospitality of **Dr. Matthew Naylor**, **Lora Vogt**, and the incredible staff at the National WWI Museum and Memorial.

Our two museum venues provide the opportunity for in-depth study of Churchill's world. We will understand both the tragic consequences of leadership failure and the inspirational examples of leaders like Churchill and the millions of people who sacrificed and struggled to provide for a better world. This will be a conference that reminds us of the importance of our mission to keep Churchill's spirit alive and relevant in a challenging and changing world.

We are confident you will enjoy the conference and we are thankful to have your support!

Sincerely,

The International Churchill Society
Board of Directors



**INTERNATIONAL
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WELCOME FROM THE

National WWI Museum and Memorial

Dear Friends,

I am thrilled to welcome you to the 39th International Churchill Conference and the National WWI Museum and Memorial.

There are deep ties between Sir Winston Churchill and the Great War. At the war's outbreak, Churchill served as First Lord of the Admiralty. He was involved in the orchestration of several key missions, including the disastrous Gallipoli Campaign, which led to large losses of life – and his resignation from government. As an officer in the Army, he served on the Western Front in France before a change in administration in 1917 led to his appointment to Minister of Munitions. In 1919, he was appointed to Secretary of State for Air and War where he attended peace talks in Paris that shaped the post-war world.

No doubt his experiences during the Great War – both his failures and his successes – profoundly shaped his life. This conference is an exciting opportunity to explore both the legacy of this iconic leader and the enduring impact of World War I.

Thank you for joining us.

Dr. Matthew Naylor

President and CEO

National WWI Museum and Memorial



WELCOME FROM THE

America's National Churchill Museum

Dear Churchillians,

On behalf of each of us at America's National Churchill Museum at Westminster College, I am pleased to welcome you to the 39th International Churchill Conference in Kansas City and Fulton.

In the wake of the Second World War, Winston Churchill, accompanied by Missouri's most famous son—President Harry Truman—visited Westminster College in Fulton, where he warned the world about a threat to freedom and democracy. The former Prime Minister titled his speech “The Sinews of Peace.” Churchill's chief aim was to prevent another war.

This year, Churchill's warning that “an iron curtain has descended across the continent” resonates more loudly with the Russia's invasion of Ukraine, an act of aggression the sort of which Churchill and Western allies worked to prevent during the Cold War.

As we listen to the distinguished lineup of speakers at this year's conference, we recall Churchill's famous advice to a young person in 1953: “Study history. Study history, in history lie all the secrets to statecraft.”

It was advice Churchill himself not only preached, but also practiced—and so will we, as we examine war and peace—not only in the past, but also in the present.

Timothy Riley

*Sandra L. and Monroe E. Trout Director and Chief Curator
America's National Churchill Museum*

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Conference Agenda

Thursday, October 6

- 9:00am - 5:00pm**
- Registration, Westin Crown Center Hotel
 - Conference Attendees will be given free access to the National WWI Museum and Memorial and its exhibitions
 - The Museum hours are from 10:00am to 5:00pm
 - Shuttles will run from the Westin to the Museum and Memorial every 20 minutes beginning at 9:45am

- 6:30pm - 8:30pm**
- Opening Reception, National WWI Museum and Memorial
 - Welcoming remarks by **Quinton Lucas**, Mayor of Kansas City and **Matt Naylor**, President and CEO National WWI Museum and Memorial
- Suggested dress:** Cocktail

Friday, October 7

- 7:30am**
- Luxury Coaches leave Westin Crown Center Hotel for America's National Churchill Museum in Fulton, Missouri
 - Note that the drive to Fulton from Kansas City is approximately 2.5 hours. We will stop half way for a bathroom break. Entertainment and breakfast will be provided on the buses. Boarding will begin at 7:00am. Coaches have toilets and WiFi.
- Suggested dress:** Business casual

- 10:30am**
- Arrive at America's National Churchill Museum
 - Tours of America's National Churchill Museum will commence at the top of each hour beginning at 11:00am
 - Exhibition opening *Daughterly Knowledge: Mary Soames, Winston Churchill, and America's National Churchill Museum*

- 10:45am**
- Dedication of The Sandra L. and Monroe E. Trout, Sr. of Wisconsin Gallery

- 11:30am**
- Installation of Churchill Fellows and Enid and R. Crosby Kemper Lecture by **Garry Kasparov** in Christopher Wren's St. Mary the Virgin, Aldermanbury

- 1:00pm**
- VIP lunch in Historic Gymnasium where Churchill delivered his famous "The Sinews of Peace" speech.

- 3:00pm**
- Return to the Westin
 - Coaches will leave at staggered times from Fulton beginning at 3:00pm and ending at 4:00pm
 - Please note that the trip back to Kansas City is approximately 2.5 hours. Entertainment will be provided on the buses.

- Evening**
- No conference programming but enjoy dinner at one of Kansas City's best restaurants. Here are a few suggestions:

Grünauer - Austrian cuisine
101 West 22nd St, Kansas City, MO 64108
816.283.3234

Farina's - Italian
1901 Baltimore Ave, Kansas City, MO 64108
816.768.6600

Pierpont's at Union Station - American steakhouse
30 W Pershing Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108
816.221.5111

Saturday, October 8

All events at the National WWI Museum and Memorial

- 8:00am**
- Light refreshments at National WWI Museum and Memorial
 - It is recommended attendees eat a full breakfast before coming to the Museum.
 - Shuttles will take attendees from the Westin to the Museum and Memorial every 20 minutes all day beginning at 8am and ending at 10pm.

Suggested dress: *Business casual*

- 9:00am**
- Introduction by Jean-Paul Montupet and Candice Millard
 - Candice is the author of many best-selling books including *Hero of the Empire: The Boer War, a Daring Escape, and the Making of Winston Churchill*
 - Jean-Paul Montupet is the Vice-Chairman of the International Churchill Society

- 9:30am**
- Sean McMeekin on **Churchill and Stalin at War, 1939-45**
 - Sean is a professor at Bard College and author of many books, including the recent *Stalin's War. A New History of World War II*

10:15am - 10:30am Break

- 10:30am**
- Tim Bouverie giving the **2022 Stephen and Jane Poss Distinguished Churchill Lecture** on **The Gathering Storm: Churchill, Appeasement and the Lessons of History**
 - Tim is the author of the bestseller *Appeasement: Chamberlain, Hitler, Churchill and the Road to War*

11:30am - 1:00pm Lunch

- 1:15pm**
- Katherine Carter on **“Cherub or Bulldog?”: Churchill’s portraits in war and peace**
 - Katherine is the Curator of Chartwell, Churchill’s family home in Kent, England

2:00pm - 2:15pm Break

- 2:15pm**
- Charlie Laderman on **Sleeping the Sleep of the Saved? Churchill, Pearl Harbor and Hitler’s Gamble**
 - Charlie is the author of *Hitler’s American Gamble: Pearl Harbor and Germany’s March to Global War*

3:00pm

- Christian McKay on **portraying the wartime relationship of Franklin Roosevelt and Winston Churchill in film and television**

4:00pm- 4:45pm Book Signing

- 6:30pm - 10:00pm**
- Reception and Black-tie gala dinner with keynote delivered by Angela Stent on **Putin’s War: Russia Against the West and with the Rest**
 - **The reception will be held outside at Liberty Memorial Tower and dinner will be inside the National WWI Museum and Memorial. Shuttles will take attendees from the Westin directly to the Museum and Memorial.

Suggested dress: *Black-tie optional*

Conference Ends

Conference Hosts



Justin Reash

Justin Reash is the Executive Director of the International Churchill Society and the Program Director of the National Churchill Leadership Center at George Washington University (GWU). He oversees a dedicated international team that advances the understanding of the legacy of Sir Winston Churchill through

research, scholarship, and programming. Overseeing all aspects of the Society, Reash strives to bring Churchill's legacy into a modern context by diversifying the ways in which the Society engages with its varied constituencies from expert Churchillians to young students.

From 2013-2015 he served as Assistant Director of The Churchill Centre in Chicago, Illinois. In that role he expanded Centre membership, enhanced its annual conferences, and assisted in the fundraising for the National Churchill Leadership Center at GWU. From 2015-2020 he served in a variety of fundraising roles at the University of Michigan.

In his role as Program Director at GWU, Reash advances the celebration of Churchill's achievements and understanding of his legacy to students, faculty, staff, and the greater DC community.

He holds an undergraduate degree from Miami University and a graduate degree from DePaul University. He lives in Northern Virginia with his wife and two daughters.

Timothy Riley



Since 2016, Timothy Riley has served as the Sandra L. and Monroe E. Trout Director and Chief Curator for America's National Churchill Museum (ANCM). Mr. Riley received baccalaureate degree from Lawrence University in Appleton, WI, before pursuing post-graduate study at Columbia University in New York, NY. He served in a variety of curatorial and education roles at The Cloisters, a part of The Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

From 2006 to 2010 Mr. Riley served as director of The Trout Museum of Art in Appleton and was appointed Director *Emeritus* in 2012. Riley was inducted into the Association of Churchill Fellows of Westminster College in 2016.

As Director and Chief Curator at ANCM, Mr. Riley has expanded the Museum's reach, curating exhibitions aboard the Queen Mary in Long Beach, CA, at the Society of Four Arts in Palm Beach, FL, and at Washington University in St. Louis, among others. *Vanity Fair* called the latter exhibition "the most comprehensive collection of Churchill paintings ever to be presented."

He is an in-demand lecturer on Winston Churchill and the author or co-author of articles on a variety of art, music, and historical topics, including several essays about Winston Churchill. He is a contributing author to a forthcoming book on the Cold War, a project organized by the Arthur D. Simons Center for Ethical Leadership and Interagency Cooperation and published the Command and Staff College Foundation Press. He also is a contributing editor for *Finest Hour*, the journal of the International Churchill Society.

Mr. Riley has led ANCM's \$10 million High Roads to the Future Campaign, securing since 2018 gifts and pledges totaling \$9.8 million for the preservation of Christopher Wren's St. Mary the Virgin, Aldermanbury at ANCM and for Museum programs, education outreach, and operations.

He serves as an *ex-officio* member of the Board of Governors of the Association of Churchill Fellows of Westminster College and the Board of Directors for the International Churchill Society-United States.



David Freeman

David Freeman is Director of Publications for The International Churchill Society and serves as editor of both *Finest Hour* and the *Churchill Bulletin*. He earned his Ph.D. in modern British History at Texas A&M University and since 1999 has been Lecturer in History at California State University, Fullerton. He previously served in

the US Navy's nuclear power program and qualified as a nuclear reactor operator on a fast-attack submarine during the Cold War.



John David Olsen

As our Director of Digital, John continually works behind the scenes to ensure that the Society's digital presence accurately reflects Churchill's words and deeds. He continues to expand this, reaching Churchillians in every corner of the globe.

John has spent his career in digital media, marketing, and technology. Originally from Northern California, he recently became an Australian citizen and is based in Sydney after working on projects in Seattle, Silicon Valley and Paris.

One of his life-long passions is the study of leadership, and he feels superbly fortunate to have worked on many digital projects for the International Churchill Society over the years.

Living abroad instilled an ongoing passion for studying different cultures, and he continues to be an ardent student of history, leadership, and the human endeavour.



Alice Abbott-Havers

Alice Abbott-Havers is the Program Associate at the International Churchill Society (ICS) and the National Churchill Leadership Center at George Washington University. She is the Executive Officer to the leadership team at ICS and has a key role in the Society. She earned her bachelor's degree in history from

Gettysburg College in May 2022. During her time as an undergraduate, she worked at the Eisenhower Institute as their communications coordinator. She was born in Cambridge, England and is a dual British-American citizen.



Andy Smith

Andy is the Executive Director of The International Churchill Society in the UK.

Beginning his career at Benn Publications, a leading trade magazine publisher, he then spent over a decade specialising in the international reinsurance and risk management sector at the ReActions Publishing Group. When the company was later sold to Euromoney Publications he was the Advertising Director, board member and shareholder of the business. He then began consulting in design, print and publishing. Andy first worked with ICSUK (then The Churchill Centre) in 2003, producing the programme for the 20th International Churchill Conference in Bermuda. He is currently planning the 40th international conference which takes place in Edinburgh in October 2023.

In the UK, he has helped bring Churchill into classrooms through sponsoring the prestigious ESU-Churchill National Public Speaking Competition and supporting public speaking and debating competitions at Blenheim Palace, Chartwell, Churchill College and in the City of London, the Churchill Archive for Schools website, and other educational programs, competitions and scholarships primarily aimed at secondary school students and graduates.

Andy is passionate about helping to give young people a voice. Working with them, their teachers and partner organisations to improve their oracy and leadership skills by learning through Churchill's example.



Kat Lee

Kat Lee is a professional research analyst based in Washington, D.C. She recently earned a master's degree in International Affairs from American University's School of International Service and will soon be graduating from King's College London's War Studies Department with a master's degree in Terrorism, Security, and

Society. Kat has been with ICS for just under 2 years and is grateful to work with such wonderful colleagues and collaborators within the Churchill world. She enjoys traveling, keeping up with current events, and spending time with her Welsh Corgis.

Speaker Biographies



Dr. Matt Naylor

Dr. Matthew Naylor is President and CEO of the internationally acclaimed National WWI Museum and Memorial in Kansas City, MO. Under Naylor's leadership, the Museum has achieved unprecedented success, breaking records for attendance, educational/community event participants, website traffic and media impressions in each of his years as President and CEO. During his tenure, attendance rose more than 60 percent, and the Museum and Memorial has been profiled by media outlets across the world, generating billions of earned media impressions.

In 2020/21, during the COVID-19 pandemic, many cultural arts organizations across the world laid off or furloughed thousands of employees. Naylor received national recognition for successfully navigating the Museum and Memorial through the challenging times by reforming the organization into new teams that allowed for the retention of all staff, while dramatically amplifying the Museum and Memorial's online educational presence and expanding its online database of searchable artifacts.

In July 2015, Matt was appointed Commissioner of the United States World War I Centennial Commission. In 2018 Naylor was named 2018 NonProfit PRO Executive of the Year.



Quinton Lucas

Quinton Lucas was sworn in on August 1, 2019 as the 55th mayor of Kansas City, the youngest elected Kansas City mayor in more than a generation. Known affectionately as "Mayor Q" to Kansas Citians, he prioritizes making Kansas City's neighborhoods safer, creating more accessible and affordable housing and public transportation, maintaining efficiency and transparency in governance, and improving basic services.



Garry Kasparov

Garry is an outspoken advocate for human rights and democracy. Widely considered history's greatest chess player, Kasparov retired in 2005 to form the Russian anti-Putin coalition. Forced into exile by Putin's crackdowns in 2013, he now lives with his family in New York City. He is a frequent contributor to major publications including *The Wall Street Journal* and *New York Daily News* and appears regularly on news programs around the world. In 2015, Kasparov published his prescient book, *Winter Is Coming: Why Vladimir Putin and the Enemies of the Free World Must Be Stopped*. He is the chairman of the Human Rights Foundation and the Renew Democracy Initiative.



Candice Millard

Candice Millard is the author of four *New York Times* bestselling books. Her first book, *The River of Doubt: Theodore Roosevelt's Darkest Journey*, was a Barnes & Noble Discover Great New Writers selection and a Book Sense Pick, won the William Rockhill Nelson Award, was a finalist for the Quill Awards, and has been published in multiple foreign editions. *Destiny of the Republic: A Tale of Madness, Medicine & the Murder of a President*, won the Edgar Award for Best Fact Crime, the PEN Center USA award for Research Nonfiction, the One Book-One Lincoln Award, the Ohioana Award, and the Kansas Notable Book Award.

Hero of the Empire: The Boer War, a Daring Escape and the Making of Winston Churchill, was an Indie Next pick, a top ten critics pick by the *New York Times* and named Amazon's number one history book of 2016. Millard's most recent book, released in May of 2022, is *River of the Gods: Genius, Courage, and Betrayal in the Search for the Source of the Nile*. She is the recipient of the 2017 BIO Award, and her work has appeared in the *New York Times Book Review*, *Washington Post Book World*, the *Guardian*, *National Geographic* and *Time* magazine. She lives in Kansas City with her husband and three children.



Dr. Sean McMeekin

Dr. Sean McMeekin is the Francis Flournoy Professor of European History at Bard College. He received his Ph.D. and M.A. in History from UC Berkeley and his B.A. from Stanford University. He has previously taught at Koç University, in Istanbul, Turkey; at Yale University; at Bilkent University, in Ankara; and at New York University. He is the author of *Stalin's War. A New History of World War II* (2021), shortlisted for the Duke of Wellington Medal for Military History and the Gilder Lehrman Prize for Military History; *The Russian Revolution. A New History* (2017); *The Ottoman Endgame. War, Revolution, and the Making of the Modern Middle East* (Penguin, 2015), awarded the Arthur Goodzeit Book Prize; *July 1914: Countdown to War* (2013), which was reviewed on the cover of the New York Times Book Review; *The Russian Origins of the First World War* (2011), winner of the Norman B. Tomlinson Jr. Book Prize and shortlisted for the Lionel Gelber Prize; *The Berlin to Baghdad Express: The Ottoman Empire and Germany's Bid for World Power, 1898–1918* (2010), winner of the Barbara Jelavich Book Prize; *History's Greatest Heist: The Looting of Russia by the Bolsheviks* (2008), shortlisted for the Ed Hewett Prize; and *The Red Millionaire* (2004), along with numerous articles, essays, reviews, and book chapters. He lives in Clermont, NY with his wife and two children.



Tim Bouverie

Tim Bouverie is the author of the *Sunday Times* bestseller *Appeasement: Chamberlain, Hitler, Churchill and the Road to War*. Shortlisted for the Orwell Prize, *Appeasement* was praised by the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal* and *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*, as well as by Antony Beevor, Margaret Macmillan and Max Hastings. A Visiting Fellow at St Antony's college, Oxford, Tim is now working on a sequel entitled *Allies at War*. During lockdown, unable to access archives, he wrote a short book on classical music, *Perfect Pitch: 100 Pieces of Classical Music to bring Joy, Tears, Solace, Empathy & Inspiration*.



Katherine Carter

Katherine Carter is a Curator and Historian specialising in early 20th century British political history, and has managed the house and collections at Chartwell for almost a decade. As Curator, she is responsible for the research, conservation, presentation and interpretation of the Churchill family's home, which typically welcomes more than 250,000 visitors every year. Her exhibitions have included *Death of a Hero*, *Into the Trenches*, *Child of the Commons*, and *Churchill and the Crown*.

Katherine advises organisations and institutions around the world on the life and legacy of Winston Churchill and appears frequently in print and broadcast media. She is an Associate Fellow of the Royal Historical Society, a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts and speaks on the subject of Winston Churchill internationally. She is currently writing her first book, *Churchill, Chartwell and the Countdown to War* (working title) which is being published by Yale University Press and is due for release in 2024.



Dr. Charlie Laderman

Dr. Charlie Laderman is Senior Lecturer in International History in the War Studies Department at King's College, London, and a Research Fellow at the Hoover Institution, Stanford University. His latest book is *Hitler's American Gamble: Pearl Harbor and German's March to Global War* (Basic Books, 2021). Co-written with Brendan Simms, it explores the most crucial period in 20th-century diplomatic history, the days between Japan's assault on Pearl Harbor and Adolf Hitler's declaration of war on the United States. It was a *New York Times* Editor's Choice and has been shortlisted for the Duke of Wellington Medal for Military History. It has also been reviewed in *The Wall Street Journal*, *Guardian*, *The Times*, *Daily Telegraph*, *New Statesman* and *Foreign Affairs*.

His first monograph, *Sharing the Burden* (Oxford University Press, 2019), explored the American and British response to the Armenian Genocide. It offers a window into America's rise to great-power status, the decline of the British Empire, and the emergence of a new Anglo-American-led international order after World War I. It was awarded the Society for Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era's H. Wayne Morgan Prize in Political History, and the Arthur Miller Institute Prize from the British Association for American Studies.



Christian McKay

Christian McKay received international acclaim for his film debut in the title role of Richard Linklater's *Me and Orson Welles*. The great American film critic, Roger Ebert, wrote in the *Chicago Sun Times*: "...the extraordinary presence of Christian McKay is the centrepiece of the film, and from it, all else flows." Mick

LaSalle of the *San Francisco Chronicle* declared the performance: "the most exact and uncanny screen portrayal of an historical figure, ever." Christian received awards from the *San Francisco*, *Austin* and *Utah Film Critics' Circles* as well as a further two dozen nominations, including from *BAFTA*.

Christian has recently portrayed Franklin Delano Roosevelt in the series 'F.D.R.' for the History Channel. It will begin broadcasting on Presidents' Day, Monday 20th February 2023. Christian followed this by portraying Winston Churchill in the radio play 'Churchill versus Reith' for the B.B.C.'s centenary.

Born in Bury, Lancashire, Christian was a chorister at Manchester Cathedral and studied the piano at Chetham's School of Music. He read music at the University of York. His postgraduate studies took him to the Royal College of Music and the Queensland Conservatorium of Music, in Brisbane, Australia. As an actor, Christian trained at the R.A.D.A., before beginning his career with the Royal Shakespeare Company on the recommendation of Lord Richard Attenborough.

Christian's film appearances include *Rush*, *Florence Foster Jenkins* with Meryl Streep and Hugh Grant, *Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy*, *The Theory of Everything*, *Crooked House* with Glenn Close and Terence Stamp, *Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris*, *The Leisure Seeker* with Dame Helen Mirren and Donald Sutherland, *ChickLit* with Dame Eileen Atkins and Sir John Hurt, *Mr. Nice*, *The Devil's Violinist*, *Northern Soul*, *Here Lies, I Melt with You*, among others. Christian has appeared in many theatre and television productions, including portraying Christopher Soames in *Churchill's Secret* with Sir Michael Gambon as Winston.



Angela Stent

Angela Stent is regarded as one of the leading experts on Russia and its foreign policy. Her newest book, *Putin's World*, is described by William Burns, current CIA director and former Deputy Secretary of State, as "the definitive guide to understanding the tangled history of post-Cold War Russia...could not be more

timely." She is currently Senior Non-Resident Fellow at the Brookings Institution where she co-chairs the Hewitt Forum on Post-Soviet Affairs. She formerly directed the Center on Russian, Eurasian, and East European Studies at Georgetown University where she was Professor of Government and Foreign Service. She has served as National Intelligence Officer for Russia and Eurasia at the National Intelligence Council. She also served in the Office of Policy Planning at the U.S. Department of State.

Her latest book *Putin's World* won the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy's prize for the best book on U.S-Russian Relations. Former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright called it a "brilliant exposition of Putin's strategy." Her previous book, *The Limits of Partnership: U.S. Russian Relations in the 21st Century* was described as "magisterial" by *The Economist* and was honored by the American Academy of Diplomacy in 2014 as "the best book on the practice of American diplomacy."

She was a member of the senior advisory panel for NATO's Supreme Allied Commander in Europe for Admiral James Stavridis and General Philip Breedlove. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. She is a contributing editor to *Survival* and is on the editorial boards of the *Journal of Cold War Studies*, *Internationale Politik and Post-Soviet Affairs*. She has served on the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council for Russia and Central Asia. She was a Trustee of the Eurasia Foundation. Dr. Stent received her B.A. from Cambridge University, her MSc. with distinction from the London School of Economics and Political Science and her M.A. and PhD. from Harvard University.

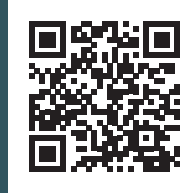


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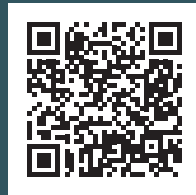
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