

24th
ANNUAL EVENING OF TALK
& TABLE FELLOWSHIP

The Great Conversation
UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON — THE HONORS COLLEGE

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IN THE ANCIENT WORLD

Richard H. Armstrong
Classical Studies

ARE DEMAGOGUES BAD FOR
DEMOCRACY?

Jeremy Bailey
Political Science

FIFTY SHADES OF RED:
UH FACTS AND STORIES

Simon Bott
*Director, Honors Program in the
Health Professions*

IS SMART TECH
MAKING US DUMB?

Jeffrey Church
Political Science

A BUBBLE IS A BUBBLE IS A...
EXPLORING CHAMPAGNE, CAVA,
AND PROSECCO

Glenn Cordua
*Director of the Wine & Spirits
Management Institute*

THE CRAFT BEER MOVEMENT

Aaron Corsi
*Hilton College of Hotel
& Restaurant Management*

IN PRAISE OF THE PUB

Robert Cremins
Irish Novelist

KENNEDY, JOHNSON, NIXON,
& THE '60 IN AMERICA

Lawrence Curry
Professor Emeritus, History

WHISKIES OF THE WORLD

Andrew Davis
Director, Moores School of Music

REINVENTING RETIREMENT

Ted Estess
*Jane Morin Cizik Chair
& Founding Dean, The Honors College*

THE GREAT BOOKS... FOR KIDS

Jamie Ferguson
English

CLOTHING CANDIDATES:
POLITICS AND FASHION IN 2016

Irene Guenther
History

STAR POWER, WHO HAS IT
& HOW YOU GET IT

Thom Guthrie
*Theatre Manager & Resident Designer,
Moores Opera Center*

BOB WILLS IS STILL THE KING

Terry Hallmark
Energy & Sustainability

Andrew Hamilton

*Associate Dean, Natural Sciences
& Mathematics*

THERE WILL BE MONSTERS

John Harvey
Director, Center for Creative Work

GOT HOPE? THE POWER OF
POSITIVITY IN A NEGATIVE
WORLD

Lacy M. Johnson
*National Book Critics Circle Award Finalist
Edgar Award Finalist*

DECISIVE POLITICS AND THE
DEATH OF COMPROMISE

Christine LeVeaux Haley
Political Science

WOLF TO WOOF: THE ORIGIN
OF DOGS

Stuart Long
Associate Dean, Undergraduate Research

Dave Shattuck

Electrical & Computer Engineering

MANNERS OF SPEAKING:
HOSTING AND GUESTING FROM
JACK PAAR TO ERNIE MANOUSE

Ernie Manouse
*Television & Radio Personality,
Houston Public Media*

NEW MEXICO: LAND
OF ENCHANTMENT

William Monroe
Dean, The Honors College

FAME & THE CULT OF
PERSONALITY

Kim Meyer
Creative Writing

Iain Morrisson

Philosophy

THE PARTIES CHOOSE:
DIFFERENT PATHS TO THE
PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION

Richard Murray
Political Science

THE BIG SHORT

Michael Newman
Accountancy & Taxation

MEZCAL: TEQUILA'S IGNORED
(BUT INTRIGUING) COUSIN

Temple Northup
Jack J. Valenti School of Communication

THE FUTURE OF NATURAL GAS

Joe Pratt
Cullen Professor of Business & History

THE INCEPTION DECEPTION: IS
THE MIND LIKE A MOVIE?

Dan Price
Philosopher

I MAKE, THEREFORE I AM: THE
ADVENTURES OF HOMO HABILIS

Jesse Rainbow
Hebrew Bible & Ancient Near East

THE "TWITTERING" OF THE
PRESIDENCY

Steve Smith
Broadcast Journalist & Media Consultant

YOU NEED THE BAD GUY!: WHY
WE ROOT FOR ANTIHEROES AND
VILLAINS AT THE MOVIES

Tamler Sommers
Philosopher

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

Hunter Yurachek
Director of Athletics

ANCIENT PRAYER
IN MODERN MODES

Jonathan Zecher
Classical & Religious Studies

FRENCH WINE, NO FEAR

Helen Valier
Director, Medicine & Society