



Friends of Fondren Library • CELEBRATING A LEGACY OF LIBRARY SUPPORT IN 2021

IN THIS UNUSUAL YEAR, THE
FRIENDS OF FONDREN LIBRARY
WILL CONTINUE TO UPHOLD
OUR TRADITION OF ANNUAL SUPPORT
FOR FONDREN LIBRARY.

Please join us as we maintain uninterrupted giving in 2021
by remembering the legacy of donors, who through their generosity,
have shaped the library's building, collections and programs.

Our next in-person gala will be held March 25, 2022.

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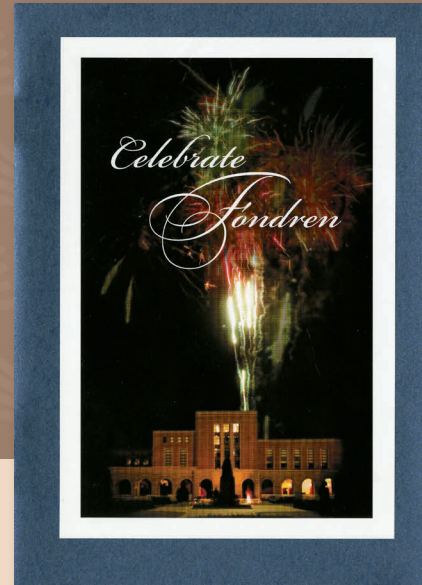
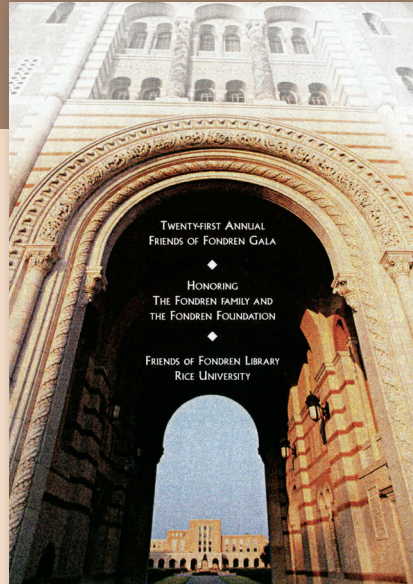
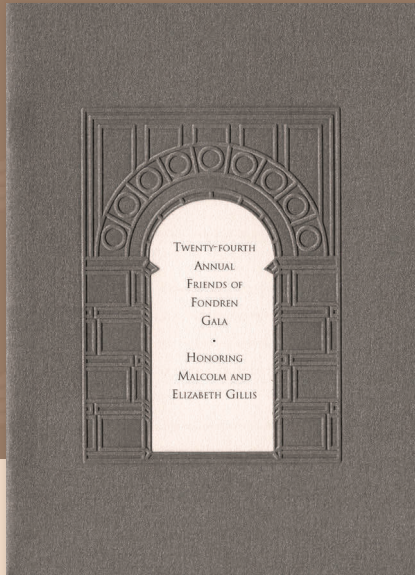
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In 1950, a group of library supporters created Friends of Fondren Library to provide financial and programming support to Rice University's Fondren Library. This dues-based organization leveraged their fundraising efforts in the 1980s with an annual Saturday Night party, held on the main floor of the library. The second Saturday Night party featured a Monte Carlo casino theme, which proved to be especially popular and was repeated for many years. Revenues generated during the early galas established the Friends of Fondren Library Endowment Fund, a fund to purchase library books and materials.



In the ensuing years, the event outgrew the library and was held in other venues, including Baker Hall, Cohen House, the Houston Country Club and the River Oaks Country Club. A formal dinner and auction replaced the casino tables, but the focus remained on supporting Fondren Library and expanding its collections. Following a major library renovation in 2006, the gala returned to the library's main floor for several years before moving to its most recent location, the River Oaks Country Club. Favorite gala traditions that have spanned the years include special occasion dinner tickets, auctions and the custom of honoring those who have had a special impact on the library.





Friends of Fondren galas have funded many improvements to the library building and its collections, including:

- The Friends of Fondren Library Endowment Fund
- The Endowment Fund for Special Collections
- The Friends of Fondren University Librarian's Endowment
- Renovations throughout the library, including the South Reading Room, the Brown Fine Arts Library, and offices and study rooms
- Staff support for projects and special collections, including the Task Force on Slavery, Segregation and Racial Injustice and the Houston Jewish History Archive
- The purchase of books, musical scores and electronic resources to support faculty and student scholarship and research





Supporting Friends of Fondren Library also helps us create programming that connects Rice and the library to the Houston community. Over the years, the Friends of Fondren has hosted book sales and student art shows, held a Distinguished Author lecture series and published the Flyleaf. Current programming includes Books That Shaped My World lectures, homecoming concerts and Meet the Author events that make Rice's scholarship endeavors accessible to the Rice community and beyond. The Rice Authors Reception, hosted by Friends of Fondren, is the only universitywide event honoring Rice faculty, staff, alumni and members of the Friends of Fondren who write or edit a book, compose a musical piece or produce a solo art show.



THE FRIENDS OF FONDREN LIBRARY AT RICE UNIVERSITY
Distinguished Guest Lecture Series
Presents



SYLVIA NASAR

Author, Economist, Professor, Journalist

"A BEAUTIFUL MIND: GENIUS, MADNESS, REAWAKENING"

Sylvia Nasar, who was born in Banaria, was awarded a master's degree in economics from New York University. Since 1985 she has been a writer at *Fortune*, a columnist at *U.S. News & World Report* and, until recently, a reporter at *The New York Times* where she covered economics. *A Beautiful Mind*, her first book, won the 1998 National Book Critics' Circle Award for Biography, was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in biography, and inspired the Academy Award-winning movie starring Russell Crowe. She is currently working on a book about 20th century economics thinkers and has been named the first John S. and James L. Knight Professor of Journalism at the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2002
5:00 P.M.
STUDS CONCERT HALL
ALICE PRATT BROWN HALL
RICE UNIVERSITY

For more information: 713-548-5157
This lecture is free and open to the public. Reservations are not needed.

Enter the campus at Entrance 8 from University Blvd. or Entrance 13 from Rice Blvd. Free visitor parking is available in the lot located across the street from Alice Pratt Brown Hall.

Larry McMurtry

The Friends of
Fondren Library
Distinguished
Guest Lecture

Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2009

7 p.m.

Grand Hall,
Rice Memorial Center

Free and open
to the public.

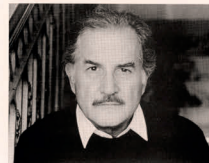
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is available in the
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For parking
information, visit
rice.edu/maps.

We regret that the
author will be unable
to sign books at
this event.



FRIENDS OF FONDREN LIBRARY
Distinguished Guest Lecture Series
Presents



CARLOS FUENTES

One of Latin America's Most Distinguished Novelists

"In the Telling: Confession, Fiction, Biography"

Carlos Fuentes is a legendary literary figure and a one-man international cultural and political force. He has served as Mexico's Ambassador to France, and he was an active participant in the quest for peace in Central America. His most recent works include *The Crystal Frontier*, *A New Time for Mexico*, and *Diana: The Goddess Who Hunts Alone*. *The Years with Laura Diaz*, a novel, will be published in late 1999.

Sunday, October 17, 1999
5:00 p.m.
Studs Concert Hall
Alice Pratt Brown Hall
Rice University

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2019 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tudor, III (Phoebe and Bobby)
2020 Mr. and Mrs. Ira Gruber (Pat and Ira),
postponed to 2022

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1997	Lew Eatherton	2008	Lee Seureau
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1999	Susie Glasscock	2010	Debby Crabtree
2000	Lee Seureau	2011	Susan Alexander
2001	Frances Heyne	2012	Elizabeth Gillis and Geraldina Wise
2002	Pamela Riley Smith	2013	Kathryn King Coleman and Hank Coleman
2003	Lucas and Vicky Elliot	2014	Phoebe and Bobby Tudor
2004	Texas Anderson, Roxanne Shaw Apple, Lucas Elliot, Elizabeth Kidd, Charles Maynard, Sally Reynolds, Karen Rogers	2015	Melinda Snell and Bess Wareing
2005	Harriet Calvin Latimer	2016	Karen and Larry George
2006	Elsa Horlock and Mary Ellen Wilson	2017	Liz Howard Crowell
2007	Peggy Barnett	2018	Catherine and Brian James
		2019	Amy and Robert Taylor
		2020	Bryan and Deborah Domning, postponed to 2022



Through the years, Fondren Library has served as the heart of campus research and scholarship; a repository of journals, documents, databases and rare books; a quiet place to study; a gathering place for students at The Roost or Club Fondy; and a place of innovation and digital resources.

We kindly ask you to make a donation today to continue to build and preserve the library's legacy.



For more information, please call 713-348-5157,
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