

“ One of the most remarkable events in America ”

– Roger Ebert
CWA Speaker for over 30 years

Conference on WORLD AFFAIRS

April 10 - 14th, 2017



BRINGING THE WORLD TO BOULDER

The Conference on World Affairs brings a world of thought leaders together to discuss “everything conceivable” with the residents and students of Boulder. Founded in 1948 as a forum on world affairs, the CWA expanded rapidly in its early years and now encompasses the arts, media, science, technology, politics, business, human rights, and more. The event reaches viewers throughout Colorado and the nation through livestreaming and video and audio recordings, archived over many decades.



OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, WITHOUT CHARGE

Most CWA events take place on the University of Colorado Boulder campus, Conference sessions and activities are open to the public and there is no admission fee. CWA is made possible through the many contributions of its volunteers and financial supporters as well as its distinguished speakers who attend at their own expense.



A WEEK-LONG COMMUNITY OF LEARNING

The CWA is unique in the commitment, and enrichment, of its speakers. Most of our speakers and performers contribute to 6-10 sessions over 5 days. Our speakers find reward in engaging with a fascinating and diverse group of colleagues from around the globe as well as musical and social events throughout the week.



UNIVERSITY/COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

University faculty, staff, and students work alongside Boulder community members to recruit each year's CWA speakers and performers and to plan the week's events. Students provide local transportation, serve as ambassadors, and welcome speakers into their classrooms. Boulder residents graciously open their homes to host our speakers for the week.

100 SPEAKERS

from around the world

200+ EVENTS

free & open to the public

70,000+ ATTENDEES

and online viewers

500+ VOLUNTEERS

who make the event possible

NOTABLE PAST PARTICIPANTS

*Patch Adams, Margot Adler, Steve Allen,
Joe Biden, Roger Ebert, R. Buckminster
Fuller, Werner Herzog, Arianna Huffington,
Molly Ivins, Henry Kissinger,
Charles Krauthammer, Paul Krugman,
Annie Leibovitz, Rachel Maddow,
Arthur Miller, Ralph Nader, Yitzhak Rabin,
Eleanor Roosevelt, Studs Terkel,
Jose Antonio Vargas, Steve Wozniak*

