THE CONFERENCE PROGRAM
Unlike most conferences that set an agenda and recruit speakers to address those topics, the CWA functions in the opposite manner. Our Program Committee invites people with the widest range of interests, backgrounds, and occupations and then writes the program mixing and matching the full range of topics our speakers would like to discuss. Most speakers participate in an average of 7 panels over the course of 5 days in and outside of their expertise. For instance, a scientist with a passion for movies might be on a panel with a film critic. The result is a weeklong program of lively panel discussions addressing political, social and policy issues, international affairs, arts, media, business, journalism, and science.

THE PANELS
CWA panels are 50 to 90 minutes, consist of 3-4 speakers and run by one of our local Moderators. Each panelist will be called upon to speak for up to 10 minutes followed by an opportunity to respond to one another and a discussion based around audience questions. While our speakers do simple preparation regarding their assigned topics, the sessions are relaxed and informal in tone, not reading prepared speeches, delivering academic papers or using any slide presentations. The emphasis of a CWA panel is on the live presence and interaction of our speakers with one another and the audience members.

TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION
Although the Conference is unable to pay honoraria or travel expenses, while here, you are a guest of the University and our University student drivers have volunteered to provide your ground transportation in our courtesy vehicles. Drivers will be available for airport pickups and drop-offs between Saturday, April 8th and Sunday, April 16th and transportation within Boulder to and from CWA events will be provided during the week.

HOUSING
CWA arranges private accommodations for all of our speakers in Boulder family homes close to campus. This unique aspect of CWA lends an intimate, personal feel to the Conference experience with many of our speakers forming lasting friendships with the community members who have hosted them. We urge you to accept this hospitality, as it is central to having a full CWA experience.

MEALS
All meals are provided while you are our guests. Major highlights of the week are the evening dinners where you will have the opportunity to have spirited discussions with fellow speakers, students, and members of the Boulder community.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
Visit our “Speaker Information” section of the CWA website for Conference FAQs, links to the Confirmation Form and Topic Survey, and other resource material.

WHAT WE NEED FROM YOU:
- Invitation Acceptance
- Online Confirmation Form
- Online Topic Form
- Headshot & Biography
- Flight Information