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THE ASPEN IDEAS FESTIVAL RELEASES 2013 PUBLIC EVENT TICKETS

WHAT: The ninth annual Aspen Ideas Festival runs from June 26 through July 2, 2013 and will feature more than 350 insightful thinkers and leaders. The week's programming will cover a variety of important issues including the economy, the Middle East, energy, space, mobility, and design, among other topics. Although session passes are sold out, the public still can participate by buying individual tickets to select events throughout the week.

Featured Speakers for Public Events Include:

David Boies, Chairman, Boies, Schiller & Flexner LLP

Katie Couric, Host, ABC's "Katie"

Julius Genachowski, Former Chairman, Federal Communications Commission

Gabrielle Giffords, Former Member, US House of Representatives (D-AZ); Founder, Americans for Responsible Solutions

Arianna Huffington, Co-Founder and Editor-in-Chief, *The Huffington Post*

Mark Kelly, Co-Founder, Americans for Responsible Solutions; Astronaut (retired)

Ezra Klein, Economic Columnist, *The Washington Post*

Yo-Yo Ma, Cellist; Artistic Director and Founder, Silk Road Project; Harman-Eisner Artist in Residence, The Aspen Institute

Michel Martin, Host, NPR's "Tell Me More"

Alexis Ohanian, Co-Founder, Reddit

Kai Ryssdal, Host, American Public Media's "Marketplace"

Marcus Samuelsson, Chef and Owner, Red Rooster Harlem

Nate Silver, Columnist, *FiveThirtyEight*, *The New York Times*

John Skipper, President, ESPN

Jim Wallis, President and Executive Director, Sojourners

A full list of ticketed events is available here:

<http://www.aspenideas.org/content/2013-public-events-schedule>

WHERE: Tickets will be on sale through Aspen Show Tickets at the Wheeler Opera House, in

person, online at www.aspenhowtix.com, or by calling 970-920-5770.

WHEN: Friday, June 21 @ 9am MDT

It is now easier to keep up with the Aspen Ideas Festival in more ways than ever before. Full-session video and audio clips will be featured on www.aspenideas.org, on the Aspen Institute's [YouTube channel](#), iTunesU, and on the Aspen Institute's [video channel](#) and TheAtlantic.com's [video channel](#). Regular updates from the Festival in the run-up, during the event, and after can be found on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). Follow the Ideas Festival on Twitter at @aspenideas with the hashtag #AspenIdeas. Additionally the Festival discussions can be followed all year on the Aspen Ideas Festival [blog](#).

For a list of currently confirmed speakers, program tracks, and passholder information, please visit www.aspenideas.org.

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