Book Launch

WINNERS TAKE ALL: THE ELITE CHARADE OF CHANGING THE WORLD

ABOUT THE EVENT

Anand Giridharadas takes us into the inner sanctums of a new gilded age, where the rich and powerful fight for equality and justice any way they can—except ways that threaten the social order and their position atop it. We see how they rebrand themselves as saviors of the poor; how they lavishly reward “thought leaders” who redefine “change” in winner-friendly ways; and how they constantly seek to do more good, but never less harm. We hear the limousine confessions of a celebrated foundation boss; witness an American president hem and haw about his plutocratic benefactors; and attend a cruise-ship conference where entrepreneurs celebrate their own self-interested magnanimity.

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Giridharadas asks hard questions: Why, for example, should our gravest problems be solved by the unelected upper crust instead of the public institutions it erodes by lobbying and dodging taxes? He also points toward an answer: Rather than rely on scraps from the winners, we must take on the grueling democratic work of building more robust, egalitarian institutions and truly changing the world.

DETAILS

6:30—7:00 PM Doors Open and Pre-Reception
7:00—8:00 PM Interview
8:00—8:30 PM Q&A
8:30—9:00 PM Book Signing and Post-Reception

FEATURED SPEAKERS

Anand Giridharadas - Writer and Author “Winners Take All: The Elite Charade of Changing the World”

Rob Reich - Professor of Political Science at Stanford, faculty codirector for Stanford PACS, and faculty director of the Digital Civil Society Lab, faculty director for Center in Ethics and Society

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