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Commonwealth Club Program List  
March 2021

Air Date: March 6, 2021, March 7, 2021  
Time: Saturday 6:00AM-7:00AM, Sunday 5:00AM-6:00AM  
Program: One-Hour Public Affairs provided by the Commonwealth Club

Topic: **Michael Boskin and Laura Tyson: Bank of America Annual Economic Forecast**

Speakers: **Michael Boskin**, Ph.D., Professor of Economics and Senior Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University; Chair, President George H.W. Bush's Council of Economic Advisors  
**Laura Tyson**, Ph. D., Professor, Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley; Chair, President Bill Clinton's Council of Economic Advisors  
**Evelyn Dilsaver**, Chair, Commonwealth Club Board of Governors; Former Executive Vice President, Charles Schwab; Former President & CEO, Charles Schwab Investment Management—**Moderator**

With the Biden administration taking office, COVID rampant, vaccine disbursement beginning, and businesses and individual Americans reeling from financial burdens, what is the outlook for the economy in 2021? This is a lively and important discussion on where the U.S. and global economies are headed and what should be done to keep them on track.

Michael J. Boskin is T. M. Friedman Professor of Economics and Senior Fellow at the Hoover Institution, Stanford University. He is also a research associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research.

He served as chairman of the president's Council of Economic Advisers (CEA) from 1989 to 1993. The independent Council for Excellence in Government rated Dr. Boskin's CEA one of

the five most respected agencies (out of 100) in the federal government. He chaired the highly influential blue-ribbon Commission on the Consumer Price Index, whose report has transformed the way government statistical agencies around the world measure inflation, GDP and productivity.

Laura D'Andrea Tyson is an influential scholar of economics and public policy and an expert on trade and competitiveness who has also served as a presidential adviser. She is a distinguished professor of the Graduate School at the Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley. She also chairs the Board of Trustees at UC Berkeley's Blum Center for Developing Economies, which aims to develop solutions to global poverty. She is the former faculty director of the Berkeley Haas Institute for Business and Social Impact, which she launched in 2013. She served as interim dean of the Haas School from July to December 2018, and served previously as dean from 1998 to 2001. Dr. Tyson was a member of President Clinton's cabinet between 1993 and 1996. She served as chair of the president's Council of Economic Advisers from 1993 to 1995 and as director of the White House National Economic Council from 1995 to 1996. She was the first woman to serve in those positions.

Air Date: March 13, 2021, March 14, 2021  
Time: Saturday 6:00AM-7:00AM, Sunday 5:00AM-6:00AM  
Program: One-Hour Public Affairs provided by the Commonwealth Club

Topic: **Anna Malaika Tubbs: The Mothers of the Civil Rights Movement**

Speakers: **Anna Malaika Tubbs**, Author, *The Three Mothers: How the Mothers of Martin Luther King, Jr., Malcolm X, and James Baldwin Shaped a Nation*  
**Valerie Coleman Morris**, Emmy Award-Winning Journalist—**Moderator**

Martin Luther King, Jr., Malcolm X, and James Baldwin pioneered equality through their common virtues of faith and resilience. They changed the minds of many Americans through their ability to assess community knowledge and make it accessible to the masses.

These men were not born with this innate ability to lead; they were shaped by their surroundings and upbringing to fight for social justice. Much has been written about Baldwin, Dr. King, and Malcolm X, but virtually nothing has been said about the extraordinary women who raised them to be the leaders they became.

Anna Malaika Tubbs as she celebrates Black motherhood in her new book, *“The Three Mothers”*. Baldwin’s mother Berdis, King’s mother Alberta, and Malcolm X’s mother Louise raised their sons with the hope of helping them to survive in a society that would deny their humanity from the very beginning. Louise’s reminders of the family’s activist roots, Berdis’ encouragement of creative writing, and Alberta’s concentration on faith were integral to each of the men’s outlook on life. The Black mothers who raised America’s most pivotal heroes each represent a piece of history left untold and a celebration of Black motherhood long overdue.

Air Date: March 20, 2021, March 21, 2021  
Time: Saturday 6:00AM-7:00AM, Sunday 5:00AM-6:00AM  
Program: One-Hour Public Affairs provided by the Commonwealth Club

Topic: **The Future of American History Education: What Now?**

Speakers: **Jane Kamensky**, Jonathan Trumbull Professor of American History at Harvard University  
**Ian Rowe**, Resident Fellow, American Enterprise Institute  
**Michelle Herczog**, History-Social Science, Coordinator III for the Los Angeles County Office of Education  
**Yoni Appelbaum**, Senior Editor, The Atlantic—**Moderator**

As the Trump presidency comes to an end, many questions have been raised about its impact and legacy on a range of policy issues and priorities for the country. The future of American history education, particularly for K–12 students, is one area where the impact could be felt for years.

Responding to recent controversies such as The New York Times’s “1619 Project” and widespread calls to remove Confederate monuments, President Trump issued an executive order establishing a new “1776 Commission” to promote “patriotic education” in schools. Whether or

not the Biden administration continues the commission, the focus on what should be taught about America's founding and heritage, how constitutional issues and historical topics such as slavery should be conveyed to students, and how to teach the full and complex story of our constitutional democracy will remain a significant educational debate for years to come.

This program looks at the state of this debate from a range of perspectives and discusses the future of American history education. The program was held on January 6, the historic constitutional day when the U.S. Congress officially counts the electoral votes from the presidential election.

Air Date: March 27, 2021, March 28, 2021  
Time: Saturday 6:00AM-7:00AM, Sunday 5:00AM-6:00AM  
Program: One-Hour Public Affairs provided by the Commonwealth Club

Topic: **Julia Gillard and Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala: Women and Leadership**

Speakers: **Julia Gillard**, Former Prime Minister of Australia; Co-author, *Women and Leadership: Real Lives, Real Lessons*  
**Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala**, Director General of the World Trade Organization, Co-author, *Women and Leadership: Real Lives, Real Lessons*  
In Conversation with **Jennifer Palmieri**, Former White House Communications Director; Co-host, "The Circus" on Showtime; Author, *She Proclaims: Our Declaration of Independence from a Man's World*

Women in politics must face an inevitable wall of sexism and gender stereotypes by the public, all in addition to the political and economic responsibilities of their position. Former Australian Prime Minister Julia Gillard and Nigerian economist Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala come from two different political atmospheres, yet have the ability to build common ground on their shared gendered experiences.

Gillard and Okonjo-Iweala are former political leaders with years of expertise as women in government spaces. In 2010, Gillard became the first female prime minister of Australia. She spent her time in office focusing on rebuilding the Australian economy and prioritizing national health initiatives. Okonjo-Iweala is a Nigerian economist and international development expert who has 25 years at the World Bank as a development economist under her belt. She has also

served two terms as the finance minister of Nigeria and the minister of foreign affairs, and currently serves as Director General of the World Trade Organization. Throughout their separate careers, these women have explored the political gender bias that ultimately leads to an important question: why aren't there more women in national leadership roles?

In their new book, *Women and Leadership: Real Lives, Real Lessons*, Gillard and Okonjo-Iweala attempt to answer this question by analyzing the lived experience of the world's most powerful women, including Jacinda Ardern, Hillary Rodham Clinton, and Christine Lagarde. This honest book on leadership equality aims to have readers question the role of gender and sexism in the political arena. Gillard and Okonjo-Iweala give a rare insight into life as a female leader and inspire us into a powerful call to action for gender equality everywhere.