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THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. OBAMA

*welcome you to dinner
in commemoration of*

THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE ESTABLISHMENT
of the
PRESIDENTIAL
MEDAL OF FREEDOM



Smithsonian's National Museum
of American History
Washington, DC

Wednesday, November 20, 2013

PROGRAM

Remarks by

G. WAYNE CLOUGH

Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution

JACK SCHLOSSBERG

Grandson of John F. Kennedy

THE PRESIDENT

DINNER

After dinner selections by

ARTURO SANDOVAL



THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

Founded in 1846, the Smithsonian is the world's largest museum and research complex, consisting of 19 museums and galleries, the National Zoological Park and nine research facilities. There are 6,500 Smithsonian employees and 6,200 volunteers. There were 30 million visits to the Smithsonian in 2012. The Smithsonian collection includes 137 million objects, specimens and works of art.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AMERICAN HISTORY

In the country's only National Museum of American History, visitors are immersed in the story of America and encounter the treasured artifacts that explore the infinite richness and complexity of its history. President Lincoln's top hat, the First Ladies' gowns, a Vietnam War-era Huey helicopter, President Jefferson's writing desk and Dorothy's ruby slippers provide an unforgettable encounter with the past. In 2014, the Museum will mark two major milestones: the 200th anniversary of its central icon, the Star-Spangled Banner and its own 50th birthday. The museum is currently renovating its west exhibition wing. Galleries and programs will illustrate the ideas and ideals of Ingenuity and Business, Democracy and Immigration/Migration and explore American Identity through Culture.

ARTURO SANDOVAL

A protégé of the legendary jazz master Dizzy Gillespie, Arturo Sandoval, born in Cuba, began studying classical trumpet at age 12. He is today one of the world's most acknowledged guardians of jazz trumpet and flugelhorn, as well as a renowned classical artist, pianist and composer. Sandoval has received nine GRAMMY Awards and has been nominated 19 times; he has also received six Billboard Awards and one Emmy Award. Sandoval is a 2013 recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Dinner

Avocado Tartare

*Ribbons of
Beet-cured Arctic Char
and Melon Carpaccio*

*Tournedos of Beef
Sonoma Pinot Noir Glacé*

*Yukon Gold Potato Hash
Autumn Vegetables
Mustard Seed Emulsion*

Chocolate and Salted Caramel Delice

Malted Barley Ice Cream

Sesame Tuile

*Ferrari-Carano Fumé Blanc 2012
Francis Coppola Pinot Noir 2012*

PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL OF FREEDOM

Originally established as the *Medal of Freedom* by President Harry Truman by Executive Order 9586 of July 6, 1945, the Medal was reestablished as the *Presidential Medal of Freedom* by President John F. Kennedy by Executive Order 11085 of February 22, 1963. It is the highest civil award of our Government. The Medal is awarded by the President of the United States to those persons whom he deems to have made especially meritorious contributions to the security or national interests of the United States, to world peace, or to cultural or other significant public or private endeavors. The Medal may be awarded to citizens of other nations and may be awarded posthumously.

President Kennedy announced the first *Presidential Medal of Freedom* awards on July 4, 1963. President Lyndon Johnson then made the first presentations of the *Presidential Medal of Freedom* in a ceremony at the White House on December 6, 1963.

