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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 Senema Pinot Noir Glace Yukon Gold Potato Hash Autamn Vegetables Mustard Seed Emulsion

Chocolate and Salted Caramel Delice Malted Barley Ice Cream Sesame Tuile

Gerrari Carano Fumé Blanc 2012 Francis Coppola Pinot Noir 2012

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# 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.



