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SPOTLIGHT ON FORTUNE

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David Rothenberg, Founder

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GAME CHANGER AWARD
OSKAR EUSTIS
Artistic Director, The Public Theater
Presented by John Leguizamo

CLOSING REMARKS
Stanley Richards, Deputy CEO
OUR MISSION

The mission of The Fortune Society is to support successful reentry from incarceration and promote alternatives to incarceration, thus strengthening the fabric of our communities.

We do this by:

BELIEVING in the power of individuals to change;

BUILDING LIVES through service programs shaped by the needs and experiences of our participants; and

CHANGING MINDS through education and advocacy to promote the creation of a fair, humane and truly rehabilitative correctional system.

OUR APPROACH

Founded in 1967, The Fortune Society's vision is to foster a world where those who are incarcerated or formerly incarcerated will thrive as positive, contributing members of society. We do this through a holistic, one-stop model of service provision.

Every year, we serve over 8,000 people at an expanding number of New York City locations. Fortune's program models are internationally and nationally recognized for their quality and innovation; and our continuum of care is informed and implemented by professionals including those with cultural backgrounds and life experiences similar to the participants we help.
has served as the Artistic Director of The Public Theater since 2005, after serving as the Artistic Director at Trinity Repertory Company in Providence, RI, from 1994 to 2005. Throughout his career, Eustis has been dedicated to the development of new work that speaks to the great issues of our time and has worked with countless artists in pursuit of that aim, including Tony Kushner, Suzan-Lori Parks, David Henry Hwang, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Richard Nelson, Rinne Groff, Tarell Alvin McCraney and Lisa Kron. He is currently a professor at New York University and has held professorships at UCLA, Middlebury College, and Brown University. He has supported Fortune as an Advisory Board Member since 2017.

are Fortune Participants who take part in Public Works, a major program of The Public Theater that invites justice-impacted people, among others, to take classes, attend performances and join in the creation of ambitious works of participatory theater. Since 2013, Fortune has been a community partner of Public Works, and our honorees have had the extraordinary opportunity to perform at The Delacorte Theater as part of the Free Shakespeare in the Park theatrical program. This experience has helped transform their lives by restoring their confidence and opening them up to the power of healing through the arts.
JOIN DAVID’S CIRCLE

David’s Circle is our legacy society named in tribute to our founder, David Rothenberg. We invite you to join by including The Fortune Society as a beneficiary in your will, trust, or financial account. Legacy giving is an opportunity to communicate your values and dreams for the kind of society you hope to pass onto future generations. For more information, visit fortunesociety.org/davidscircle or contact us at 347.510.3607.

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and congratulate tonight’s honoree Oskar Eustis, Artistic Director of The Public Theater, for his visionary leadership and commitment to the arts.

– Mark Lebow and Patti Harris
By partnering for the common good, we can achieve uncommon results.

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Your unwavering dedication and tireless efforts have a profound and lasting impact on the lives of countless individuals across the country.

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We are proud to support The Fortune Society and congratulate our 2022 honorees

Oskar Eustis

Public Works Performers from The Fortune Society

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JoAnne and the entire Fortune Society family for another year of essential work serving a uniquely vulnerable community.

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With congratulations to and profound admiration for

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and its indispensable work.

We also extend our deep gratitude to the

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We are proud to support The Fortune Society and the people behind its invaluable work.

You inspire us all.

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CONGRATULATIONS ON THIS BEAUTIFUL EVENING TO THE FORTUNE SOCIETY
A PUBLIC THEATER PARTNER FOR MORE THAN A DECADE.
YOUR EXTRAORDINARY WORK IS A GUIDING LIGHT TO US ALL.

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CONGRATULATIONS to our honorees
Fortune's talented Public Works performers and the wonderful OSKAR EUSTIS.

Thank you to them and to the Fortune staffers and volunteers, who every day demonstrate courage, commitment and compassion bringing

HOPE and JUSTICE to thousands of lives.

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Thank you for promoting alternatives to incarceration and strengthening the fabric of our communities.

*Congratulations to tonight’s honorees!*
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Oskar Eustis

Public Works Performers from The Fortune Society
As a community, it is both unfair and nonsensical to impose a punishment and then extend that punishment to societal re-entry. This is the imbalance Fortune addresses, and with which millions of formerly incarcerated never will receive a meaningful second chance to turn their lives around and contribute to society.

For these and other reasons, we are delighted to celebrate the important and impactful work performed by The Fortune Society these past 55 years helping to build people, not prisons, and applaud this year’s Game Changer Award Honoree, OSKAR EUSTIS, and Spotlight Award Recipient, Public Works Performers.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Allison & David Kochman
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and the
Public Works Performers from The Fortune Society
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