

Museum Honors Laurence D. Fink and Dr. Janet Yellen at 2019 Gala

THE MUSEUM OF AMERICAN FINANCE honored the achievements of two financial leaders in both the public and private sectors at its annual gala on February 5 at Cipriani Wall Street. Approximately 400 people attended the event, which raised over \$1 million to support the Museum’s mission of financial education.

Laurence D. Fink, founder, chairman and CEO of BlackRock, Inc. received the Charles Schwab Financial Innovation Award. Fink and seven partners founded BlackRock in 1988, and under

his leadership, the firm has grown into a global leader in investment and technology solutions to help investors build better financial futures. The Charles Schwab Financial Innovation Award, inaugurated at the Museum’s 2016 Gala, recognizes individuals who have introduced new markets or new financial instruments to our financial system.

The Whitehead Award for Distinguished Public Service and Financial Leadership recognized the significant contributions of Dr. Janet Yellen, former chair

of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and currently a Distinguished Fellow in Residence with the Economic Studies Program at the Brookings Institution. Named after the late John C. Whitehead, former Deputy Secretary of State and Co-Chair of Goldman Sachs, the Whitehead Award recognizes leaders who have demonstrated great achievement in the field of finance and have also served with distinction in the public sphere.

Please see page 12 for excerpts of the remarks delivered at the 2019 Gala. \$



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1. The Museum's 2019 Gala was held on February 5.
2. Trustees Consuelo Mack and Myron Kandel with guests at the 2019 Gala.
3. Approximately 400 people attended the Gala dinner at Cipriani Wall Street.
4. Dr. Janet Yellen with MoAF Trustee Mark Shenkman and guests at the 2019 Gala.
5. MoAF Chairman Dr. Richard Sylla welcomes guests to the 2019 Gala.
6. Former US National Security Advisor Thomas Donilon introduces Laurence Fink.
7. Former President and CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York William Dudley introduces Dr. Janet Yellen.
8. MoAF President David Cowen (left) and MoAF Chairman Richard Sylla (right) present Laurence Fink with the 2019 Charles Schwab Financial Innovation Award.
9. MoAF President David Cowen (left) and MoAF Chairman Richard Sylla (right) present Dr. Janet Yellen with the 2019 Whitehead Award for Distinguished Public Service and Financial Leadership.