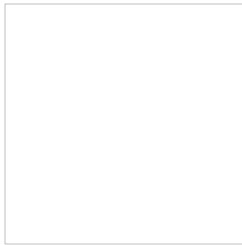


New School Dinner Honoring Yevgeny Yevtushenko



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Description

This audio recording is of a dinner held in honor of Russian poet Yevgeny Yevtushenko, who received an honorary doctorate from The New School at the event. New School President John Everett welcomes the audience, recognizes important attendees, delivers a tribute to Yevtushenko, and introduces Sylvia Ravitch of The New School Board of Trustees. Ravitch introduces poet Stanley Kunitz who speaks at 8:50, discussing his impression of Russia and Russian poetry, and especially the legacy of Yevtushenko. At 20:21, Kunitz recites "Hand-rolled Cigarettes" and other poetry by Yevtushenko. At 24:56, Kunitz introduces author John Updike, who recites "Smog." At 33:26, Kunitz introduces poet Muriel Rukeyser who recites "Colors." At 37:47, Kunitz introduces author John Cheever, who recounts a brief anecdote about Yevtushenko. At 41:01, Kunitz introduces poet Allen Ginsberg, who reads "On the Question of Freedom." At 47:07, Ravitch introduces Chairman of The New School's Board of Overseers Orin Lehman to present the honorary doctorate, and Yevtushenko gives his acceptance speech at 49:25, which he delivers in Russian with the assistance of an English translator. At 1:18:55, Ravitch concludes the event and introduces Ruth Ellington, who reads a brief message from her brother, composer and pianist Duke Ellington, to Yevtushenko.

Date

January 21 1972

Related people

[New School for Social Research \(New York, N.Y. : 1919-1997\)](#) (producer)

[John Rutherford Everett](#) (speaker)

[Sylvia Ravitch](#) (speaker)

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[John Updike](#) (speaker)

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[John Cheever](#) (speaker)
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[Orin Lehman](#) (speaker)
[Yevgeny Aleksandrovich Yevtushenko](#) (speaker)
[Ruth Ellington Boatwright](#) (speaker)

Work Type

1/4 inch audio tape

Inscription

Inscription: [spine:] Yevtushenko [recto:] Ungersolar[?] S. Beekman St / "New School" [tape on reel:] SIDE 1 / 8:00 P.M. / THE NEW SCHOOL FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH MEETING / HELD JAN. 21, 1972 / AT THE GRADUATE BLDG / 65-5TH AVE. / NEW YORK, N.Y. / 8:00 P.M. / RECORDING / ONLY [arrow indicates part of reel that has recording--the rest is presumably blank] (container)

Language

English;Russian

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