

Zooming Ahead: No Stopping Us Now!

PROGRAM

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WELCOME

"VIRTUAL DINNER TABLES"

Enjoy conversation with a small group and one of our special guests.

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THE VILLAGE CHICAGO TRAILBLAZER AWARD PRESENTATION

This year, awarded to an author, an organization and an individual who have inspired us by extraordinary dedication to inclusion, age diversity and the well-being of older adults.



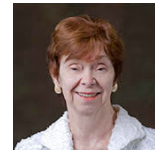
AUTHOR: Louise Aronson

Geriatrician, writer, and professor of medicine at the University of California, San Francisco and author of the transformative book *Elderhood*.



ORGANIZATION: Next Avenue

A major Internet voice meeting the needs and unleashing the potential of older Americans through the power of media.



INDIVIDUAL: Ruth Ann Watkins

A Village founding member and current Chair, RRF Foundation for Aging with a life-long commitment to improving the well-being of older adults.

FUND-A-NEED

Recognize our extraordinary Trailblazers by making a gift in their honor to Fund-A-Need and join the fight against the preventable tragedy of isolation - now magnified by the pandemic. Your gift will directly help The Village Chicago expand our programs and engage many more people. We are attacking isolation head-on with technology, social engagement and transformative programming – regardless of one's ability to pay.

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PERFORMANCE BY THE LYRIC OPERA STAGE ARTISTS

These artists work, create and perform at the Lyric Opera of Chicago. They strive to not only produce and perform opera at its highest level, but to also further the significance of this magnificent art form in the city of Chicago and its communities.



Pamela Williams



Ken Donovan



Carla Janzen

Nessun dorma (*Turandot*, Giacomo Puccini)
Ken Donovan

Donde lieta usci (*La Bohème*, Giacomo Puccini)
Carla Janzen

Over the Rainbow (*Wizard of Oz*, Harold Arlen)
Pamela Williams

Maria (*West Side Story*, Leonard Bernstein)
Ken Donovan

Speak Low (*One Touch of Venus*, Kurt Weill)
Carla Janzen

You'll Never Walk Alone (*Carousel*, Rogers & Hammerstein)
Pamela Williams



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Darcy Evon

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The Village Chicago

The Village Chicago is a social network of friendship, engagement and services for people over 50. We foster all aspects of well-being through social connection, an extensive services and referral network, lifelong learning, health and fitness, intergenerational relationships, work and purpose. Established in 2009, The Village Chicago's dynamic networks engage with life after 50 at all stages so we continue as vital, engaged members of multi-generational communities. This leads to healthy individuals, economic prosperity, diverse neighborhoods and age-friendly cities.

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