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Welcome and Recognitions

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Introduction of Guest Speaker John Turturro

Annette Insdorf

PROFESSOR, FILM

Address to Graduates

John Turturro

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CHAIR, THEATRE

Matthew Buckingham

CHAIR, VISUAL ARTS + SOUND ART

Lis Harris

CHAIR, WRITING

Closing Remarks

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John Turturro

GUEST SPEAKER

In a career spanning more than 35 years, John Turturro has worked with a number of acclaimed filmmakers, appearing in Spike Lee's *Do the Right Thing* and *Jungle Fever*, Martin Scorsese's *The Color of Money*, Robert Redford's *Quiz Show*, Francesco Rosi's *La Tregua*, Robert De Niro's *The Good Shepherd*, Tom DiCillo's *Box of Moonlight* and Nanni Moretti's *Mia Madre*. He also starred in the Adam Sandler comedies *Mr. Deeds*, *Anger Management* and *You Don't Mess with the Zohan*, and appeared in three of Michael Bay's blockbuster *Transformer* films.

He has been a frequent collaborator with Joel and Ethan Coen. For his lead role in the Coen brothers' *Barton Fink*, Turturro won the Best Actor Award at the Cannes Film Festival and the David Donatello Award. He also appeared in their films *O Brother, Where Art Thou?*, *Miller's Crossing* and *The Big Lebowski*, where he played the iconic character Jesus Quintana. Turturro recently reprised Quintana in *The Jesus Rolls*, a film he wrote, directed and stars in. He can also be seen as Rabbi Lionel Bengelsdorf in the six-part HBO series *The Plot Against America*, based on the acclaimed novel by Philip Roth. He was recently announced in the role of Carmine Falcone in Warner Brothers' *The Batman*.

On television, Turturro won an Emmy Award for his guest appearance on *Monk*, and was nominated for an Emmy Award, Golden Globe and SAG Award for his role as criminal attorney John Stone in HBO's *The Night Of*. He was also nominated for a SAG Award for his portrayal of Howard Cosell in *Monday Night Mayhem*, and nominated again for *The Bronx Is Burning*.

Turturro received the Camera D'Or Award at the Cannes Film Festival for *Mac*, his directorial debut. His other films as writer and director include *Illuminata*, *Romance & Cigarettes*, *Passione*, and *Fading Gigolo*.

Turturro studied at SUNY New Paltz and the Yale School of Drama. For his stage debut he played the title role in John Patrick Shanley's *Danny and the Deep Blue Sea*, for which he won an OBIE Award and a Theater World Award.

Recognition of Graduates

Hilary Brougher

CHAIR, FILM

Film MFA

Haya Alghanim
Waleed AlQahtani
Daniel Becerril
Glenn Martin Brown
Ronald Jerome Brown
Yu Cheng
Patrick Michael Clement
Ryan Chase Craver
Marta Cruanas Compes
Kristin Elizabeth Curtis
Najah Issata Diop
Joseph Ference Dooling
Asad Mobeen Farooqui
Benjamin Isaac Feinstein
Andres Fernandez
Jasmin Freitas Tenucci
Esteban Garcia Vernaza
Scott Gerard Gerlomes
Mitchell Evarist Ferreir
Gomes
Andrea Marie Goocher
Kenneth Frederick Green
Gina Kristin Hackett
Donggyun Han
Joshua Sonny Harris
Samuel Harwood
Austin Hsieh
Megan Huggins
Chuxin Huo
Fernando Iriarte
Chengzhi Jin
Omar Kakar
Jungyoon Kim
Sondra Meghan Lacey
Jonathan J. Lazar
Rodney Llaverias
King King Lu
Mackenzie Corbin Lyle
Benjamin Kyle Martin
Sharon Amanda Massy

Lia Peyton Nies
Olafur Ingvi Olason
Renee Marie Paiement
Jisu Park
Vaibhav Rao
Victoria Rivera
Saim Sadiq
Mariana Saffon
Chloe Brandt Sarbib
Ekaterina Skakun
Daniel Jason Slottje
Alies Christina Sluiter
Riddhi Talreja
Can Turedi
Barbara Rose Twist
Kari Ulfsson
Jing Wang
Yingzi Wang
Saladin White
Christina Megan Wood
Markus Wulf
Anthony Zhai Yang
Yachi Yang

Film and Media Studies MA

Alreem Erhama Alkaabi
Daniel Lawrence Aufmann
Cheuk Ying Cherie Chan
Phoebe Yutong Chen
Aaron Anatole Dowdy
Yinyu Li
Kyna Alene McClenaghan
Taylor Andrew Morris
William Marc Plotnick
Andrew Albert Powell
Karlee Rodrigues
Xiaoyu Shen
William Hideji Tamura
Shimiao Wang
Emily Wei
Yumo Yan
Zijing Yu
Ao Zhang
Muxin Zhang
Tianyi Zhou

Recognition of Graduates

Brian Kulick

CHAIR, THEATRE

Theatre MFA

Zizi Azah Binte Abdul Majid
Roberta Lorene Ahrens
Peter Calvin Atkinson
Anrinya Banerjee
Xiaoyu Bao
Robert Anthony Barlow
Joshua Brown
Christian Goodie
Dennis Ngoc Ho
Philippa Kane
Taeuk Kang
Nicole Kramer
Diana Claire Sheppard Levy
Lanxuan Liu
Johnny Grimes Lloyd
Kimberly Owala Maima
Clayton David McInerney
Julian Jeremias Mesri
Hal Charles Miers
Ricardo Andres Neumann Bertin
Brian Allen Patterson
Laura Peterson
Jennifer Andrea Pitt
Anthony Othello Pratt
Kate Pressman
Anna Elizabeth Rebek
Jon Robin
Jonathan Seinen
Stephen Smith
Paola Alexandra Soto
Cole Stern
James Webster Stull
Yeena Sung
Andrey Vladimirovich Uspenskiy
Titus Alexander VanHook
Jae Beum Woo
Zhangqiyu Zhang

Recognition of Graduates

Matthew Buckingham

CHAIR, VISUAL ARTS + SOUND ART

Visual Arts MFA

Stipan Tadić

Hyun Yang

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Lis Harris

CHAIR, WRITING

Writing MFA

Mariah Caprial Adcox
Jenny Ahn
Nourah Evelyn Alfadl-
Andrasson
Julian Kirk Allen
Philip John Anderson
Gila Ashtor
Austin John Baker
Brianna Marie Baker
Jackson Gunn Barrett
Brysen Orlando Boyd
Brian Joseph Burlage
Conor James Burnett
Courtney Jean Campbell
Hope Elizabeth Claydon
Jessica Anne Colley Clarke
Antoinette N. Cooper
Marcus Benjamin Creaghan
Alexander Drake Dabertin
Chenee Danielle Daley
Yael Davidesko
Tiffany Michelle-Maxine
Davis
Ramzi Nadim Xavier De
Coster
Anthony Anrao Deng
Matilda Rose Douglas-Henry
Charlee Catherine Dyroff
Dawn Elardo
Madeline Andrews Escudero
Kaitlinn Rose Estevez
Beckett Raven Farkas
Iman Carol Fears
Rebeca Anne Felix
Lisa Rochelle Foad
Jacquelyn Marie Gallo
Brendan Michael Gauthier
Ellyn McCormack Gaydos
Nathan Edward Gazeblen
Rachel Audrey-Galina Gilman
Mitchell Glazier
Ananda Naima Gonzalez
Francisco Gonzalez
Manuela Gonzalez

Teresita Maria Goyeneche
Marcelo Grana Samanez
Katherine Greene
Brandan Stephen Griffin
Norris Conaghan Guncheon
Tibo Jenö Suzanne
Halsberghe
George Robert Hargett
Margot Straughn Harris
Jarrod Mitchell Harrison
Laura Lumpkin Hart
Kristen Shigeyo Head
Elena Gang Hecht
Amanda Kathleen Horn
William Arthur Horn
Jonathan Jacob Horowitz
Bethany Lauren Hughes
Emily April Hunt Kivel
Michelle Rose Hytner
Katherine Elizabeth Irwin
Nadia Cristina Ismail
Zachary Nicholas Issenberg
Yoshiko Iwai
Jared Denzel Jackson
Laura Byram Jackson
Aranya Jain
Theresa Raffaele Jefferson
Candice Ann Kail
Christian Alexander Kamkoff
Anastasios Nick Karnazes
Hannah Cameron Kauders
Zoe Contros Kearl
Bryan Nelson Kelly
Melanie Marie Krieps
Mergen
Melissa Larsen
Niki Diane Laskaris
Grace Ann Leadbeater
Amos Vaughn LeBlanc
Simon Leser
Sasha Deana Leshner
Anya Alissa Lewis-Meeks
Emmett James Lindner
Natalie Saba Little
Madelaine Lucas
Taleen Mardirossian

Robert Paul McAdory
Cheryl Ann McCourtie
Jon-Marc McDonald
Peter John Michalik
Patrick Wynn Moran
Jake Henry Nevins
Vivian Denise Nixon
Lukas Novak
Devki Jayanti Pande
Heather Elizabeth Radke
Sonya Gray Redi
Paulina Marie Reso
Margaret Emma Barker
Richardson
Hannah Jean Risinger
Esther Kyounghee Ro
Margaret Stephanie Rodgers
Mark Anthony Rogers
Daniel McGrory Ryan
Sanjana Sadique
Julia Salem
Brianna Sophia Scalesse
Amelia Ann Senter
Katie Lynn Shepherd
Rebecca Nawarat Shirley
Rebecca Susan Sonkin
Jayne Kay Sosland
Robert Taylor Supplee
Shea Corinne Sweeney
James William Symington
Didi Tal
Sihan Tan
Gavin Andrew Thomson
Orla Patricia Tinsley
Kathryn Mary Vandervalk
Catherine Elizabeth von
Handorff
Elizabeth Macdonald von
Klemperer
Sara von Oldershausen
Madeleine Jayne Watts
Brianna Nicole Williams
Brian Wiora
Peter Guy Witzig
Frances Elizabeth Wood
Kai-Ting Yang

