



MUNK DIALOGUES RETURNS WITH SECOND SERIES OF TEN LIVE VIDEO CONVERSATIONS STARTING SEPTEMBER 30

– Popular online series will focus on the U.S. election, the pandemic and geopolitics –

September 14, 2020 – (Toronto) – Today, the Munk Debates announced a second series of MUNK DIALOGUES, live, hour-long conversations with some of the world’s sharpest minds and brightest thinkers. The autumn 2020 Munk Dialogues will focus on the big issues transforming our world, from the U.S. election to the continuing fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic to geopolitics and international relations. The series will air weekly for ten weeks launching Wednesday, September 30th, 8 pm ET with *New York Times*’ White House correspondent, **Maggie Haberman**, in dialogue with Munk Debates Chair, **Rudyard Griffiths**.

This Spring, the Munk Debates launched its Dialogue series to critical acclaim and large online audiences. The ten programs produced between April and June 2020 reached over 2.5 million people in Canada, the USA, and as far afield as the UK, Hong Kong, and Australia.

The first five of ten Munk Dialogues will feature:

Wednesday, September 30, 8 pm ET dialogue with **Maggie Haberman**, Pulitzer Prize winner, *New York Times*’ White House correspondent, and one of world’s leading investigative journalists, on the behind the scenes of President Trump’s reelection bid.

Thursday, October 8, 8 pm ET dialogue with **Michael Eric Dyson**, bestselling author, scholar, and racial justice campaigner, on the future of the politics of race and social justice in the shadow of the most consequential U.S. election in a generation.

Wednesday, October 14, 8 pm ET dialogue with **Robert Reich**, former U.S. labor secretary, economic inequality activist, and filmmaker, on how to meet the once in a generation societal challenges presented by COVID19 and its shakeout of the global economy.

Wednesday, October 21, 8 pm ET dialogue with **Newt Gingrich**, former Speaker of U.S. House of Representatives and bestselling author, on the legacy of Trump’s first term as president, and the future of U.S politics, two weeks out from November’s vote.

Wednesday, October 28, 8 pm ET dialogue with **James Carville**, U.S. Democratic Party stalwart, political strategist, and bestselling author, on the likely outcomes of the November 3, 2020 U.S. election, one week out from this high-stakes global event.

The Munk Dialogues will be available live and on-demand on the free CBC Gem streaming service (cbcgem.ca) and on the Munk Debates website (www.munkdebates.com/dialogues).

Rudyard Griffiths, Chair of the Munk Debates and host of the Munk Dialogues, comments, “What we are trying to do with this series is highlight the value of the longform, in-depth interview as a programming style that allows audiences to go deep into a subject area, guided by a remarkable guest. We like to think of the Munk Dialogues as a much-needed cultural antidote to 280-character tweet or five-minute cable news feature.”

The Munk Dialogues is a charitable initiative of the Munk Debates, and **The Peter and Melanie Munk Foundation**, the founders of the Munk Debates.

The series’ presenting sponsors are **Onex Corporation** and **Gluskin Sheff**. Supporting sponsors include **Torys LLP**, **Bond Brand Loyalty**, and **Cossette Media**.

The Dialogue’s marketing partner is **Indigo Books & Music Inc.**

Confirmed media partners for the autumn 2020 Munk Dialogues include **The Globe & Mail**, **CBC Gem**, **Facebook Canada**, **CPAC**, **WBFO/NPR** (Buffalo), and **Bell Media**.

The Munk Dialogues are produced by **Antica Productions** and **AmberMac Media**.

For more information on the Munk Dialogues visit www.munkdebates.com/dialogues.

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