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MIKE GONZALEZ

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**A DEMOCRACY NEEDS A DEMOS:
A Global View of Why National Identity Is
Essential for America and Also Good
for the World**

7:00 p.m., November 28, 2017, Global Learning Center

Master of Ceremonies

Dr. Kathaleen Reid-Martinez, Provost

Mike Gonzalez is Senior Fellow at the Kathryn and Shelby Cullom Davis Institute for International Studies at the Heritage Foundation. Gonzalez spent close to 20 years as a journalist, 15 of them reporting from Europe, Asia and Latin America, most of the time writing and editing for The Wall Street Journal. He has lived in Belgium, France, Spain, Hong Kong and South Korea as well as spent months living in and reporting from Afghanistan, Pakistan, China, Panama and Cyprus, among others.

Mr. Gonzalez served the administration of President George W. Bush, writing speeches for the Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman and later the State Department's European Bureau. He also conceived of and commissioned the "Letter of Eight," a January 2003 piece by Britain's Tony Blair, Spain's Jose Maria Aznar, Italy's Silvio Berlusconi and five other European leaders in support of the U.S. stance on Iraq. Published globally, the Letter of Eight galvanized a pro-American coalition that for the first time challenged France and Germany for leadership of the European Union.

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He joined Heritage as Vice President of Communications in March 2009 and became a Senior Research Fellow in June, 2014. That year he published *A Race for the Future: How Conservatives Can Break the Liberal Monopoly on Hispanic America*. At Heritage, he continues to write about Latin America, Europe, Asia and the United States.

Mr. Gonzalez was born in Cuba and left at age 12 in 1972. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Communications from Boston's Emerson College and an MBA from Columbia Business School. Mr. Gonzales is fluent in Spanish and French, and he reads Italian and Portuguese. He and his wife, Siobhan, live in Bethesda with their three children.

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DR. TED LONDON

Ross School of Business, University of Michigan,

Jan. 31, 2018

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7:00 p.m., GLC Auditorium.

Ticketed through **oruglc.com**, Free.

VIOLINIST JAMES EHNES

Feb. 15, 2018

("the Canadian Joshua Bell").

7:00 p.m., Williams Theater, Tulsa Performing Arts Center.

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