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“My Fulbright experience turned my world inside out and gave me an understanding of [how] the complexity of cultures...enriches us.

As a college president my task is to try to ensure that as many students as possible in this country have that kind of experience.”

Dr. Ruth Simmons, President of Smith College

EDUCATION & LEADERSHIP: A CELEBRATION



IIE CELEBRATES INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION IN NEW YORK AND THE WORLD

International education is a powerful tool. By facilitating the free flow of knowledge and ideas, international education helps to build global skills and mutual understanding. Increasingly, those with the potential to become effective and thoughtful leaders will be those with the cross-cultural insight that comes from studying abroad. It is just this kind of international perspective that is in fact becoming a prerequisite for achievement and progress in a globalizing world.

Pictured above: IIE Honorary Trustee and dinner Master of Ceremonies Letitia Baldrige with U.S. and international students who attended the event.



This year IIE presented Dr. Ruth Simmons with the Distinguished Fulbright Alumna Award at a special dinner celebrating international education. Thirty years ago, as a young woman of, in Dr. Simmons' words, "more promise than proof of merit," she won a Fulbright Student Fellowship to France. Today Dr. Simmons, the daughter of sharecroppers, is President of Smith College. In accepting, she expressed the hope that she could serve as an example for young people in this country's inner cities of the benefits of international experience. "I believe firmly that what it did for me it can do for many...[Through international education] this nation can develop new pathways

Pictured above: Ruth Simmons, President of Smith College and recipient of the Distinguished Fulbright Alumna Award.



to, and unanticipated dimensions of, discovery, achievement, and understanding."

That evening the Institute also honored four distinguished New Yorkers who contribute immeasurably to the international vitality of the City: Cyrus R. Vance, former Secretary of State; Richard S. Fuld, Jr., Chairman and CEO of Lehman Brothers; Maurice R. Greenberg, Chairman and CEO of American International Group; and Andrew Heiskell, Chairman Emeritus of the New York Public Library and a member of IIE's Board of Trustees.

Pictured above: IIE Trustee Andrew Heiskell, who was honored for his contributions to the cultural and educational life of New York City.

IIE'S CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

IIE is pleased to announce a generous \$1 million contribution from The Starr Foundation to IIE's capital campaign, now being conducted to match a \$5 million challenge grant from the Ford Foundation. Together with other leadership gifts, including \$1 million from the Henry & Elaine Kaufman Foundation, this support is a tremendous vote of confidence in IIE's work. The Institute also thanks the many other individuals, corporations, and foundations whose participation is crucial to the success of this campaign (see page 32). The \$10 million capital fund will allow the Institute to respond quickly to new opportunities around the globe. For example, income from the fund has already assisted IIE in opening an office in Vietnam, and in developing its new website.