

Chicago Humanities Festival Fact Sheet

WHO: Chicago Humanities Festival (CHF)

WHAT: 24th Annual Chicago Humanities Festival

2013 THEME: ANIMAL: What Makes Us Human

DATES: November 1–10, 2013

TIMES: Various – 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

VENUES: Various – Around Downtown Chicago

PRICE: \$5–\$28

TEACHERS/STUDENTS: Free or discounted tickets to most programs are available for students/teachers with valid ID.

TICKETS: Tickets to the 24th annual Chicago Humanities Festival are on sale now and can be purchased at chicagohumanities.org or through the **CHF Box Office** at **312-494-9509, Monday–Friday, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.**

ABOUT CHF: The Chicago Humanities Festival began in 1989 as a dream shared by a determined group of Chicago's cultural leaders eager to extend the riches of the humanities to everyone. Since that first year, some of the world's most exciting thinkers, artists, and performers have come to Chicago each fall for a festival that celebrates ideas in the context of civic life. Past Festival themes include Laughter, The Body, tech knowledge, America, and this year's **Animal: What Makes Us Human, Oct. 13, 20, and Nov. 1–10, 2013**. Under the leadership of **Executive Director Phillip Bahar** and **Artistic Director Matti Bunzl**, CHF partners with Chicago's premier cultural institutions, and the festival has become an annual highlight for thousands of people from Chicago and beyond. In addition to the annual fall festival, CHF also presents the spring **Stages, Sights & Sounds**, a global performance festival for families, students, and theatergoers of any age, and programs throughout the year that encourage the study and enjoyment of the humanities. Visit chicagohumanities.org for more information.

EVENT GENRES: CHF performances, discussions, panels, film screenings, and exhibits explore topics within six broad pathways.

Arts & Architecture	History	Literature	Philosophy	Public Affairs	Science & Technology
Visual arts, architectural design, theater, film, dance & music performances	Local, American & world history	Novels, short stories & poetry	Religion, philosophical perspectives	Politics, economics & current events	Environment, technology & design, science talks

DAVID AXELROD

WHAT: [The Political Animal: A Conversation with David Axelrod](#)

WHEN: Saturday, Nov. 9, 5–6 p.m.

VENUE: UIC Forum - Main Hall AB (725 W. Roosevelt Rd.)

ABOUT: One of the most influential figures in American politics, **David Axelrod** has worked for such politicians as Harold Washington, Richard M. Daley, Rahm Emanuel, and Barack Obama. The inaugural director of the University of Chicago Institute of Politics, Axelrod embarks on a conversation with journalist Jim Warren on the nature of American politics past, present, and future.

PRICE: \$20 (\$10 for students/teachers)

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