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**National Louis University**  
*in collaboration with*  
**Chicago Shakespeare Theater and**  
**Golden Apple Foundation**

*Presents*

# **Chicago in These Times: What's Next for Chicago Public Schools?**

April 25, 2011  
6:30pm–9:00pm  
Chicago Shakespeare Theater

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**WELCOME AND  
INTRODUCTION**

Nivine Megahed, Ph.D.  
President  
National Louis University

**SYMPOSIUM MODERATOR**

Linda Lutton  
WBEZ Education Reporter

**PARTICIPANTS**

Josh Anderson  
Dom Belmonte  
Miguel del Valle  
Karen Lewis  
Pauline Lipman  
Reverend Calvin Morris  
Ted Purinton

**RECEPTION**

A reception in the lobby  
follows the program.

**SYMPOSIUM SERIES  
PLANNING TEAM**

Marilyn Halperin  
Jennifer Harris  
Mark Larson  
Kate Meyer  
Tina Nolan  
Ted Purinton

**SPECIAL THANKS**

Jeff Cass  
Makeda Cohran  
Gloria Harper  
Elizabeth Neukirch  
Jeffrey Nishihira  
Phil Stefani Signature Events  
Erica Sandvig  
Robert Schroeder  
Alida Szabo  
The Harbinger Group  
Brooke Walters  
Cheni Vega  
Joselyn Zivin

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# BE SURE TO ATTEND OUR NEXT FORUM IN THE SERIES

May 9, 2011 • 6:30pm–8:00pm

## What Keeps School Reformers Going?

Four young and promising educators share their passion and vision with veteran educators Bill Ayers, Deborah Meier, Sonia Nieto, and Harold Levy. Moderator: Alison Cuddy, host of WBEZ's *Eight Forty-Eight*.

## AND IN THE WINTER

**December 12, 2011** Chicago in These Times:  
What Difference Does  
Higher Education Make?

**January 9, 2012** Chicago in These Times:  
How Will Leaders Restore  
Americans' Trust in Business?

**February 27, 2012** Chicago in These Times:  
Why Do Arts and Culture Matter?

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## PROFILES

**Josh Anderson** was appointed executive director of Teach For America in Chicago in February 2007. He previously worked as a Teach For America corps member in New York City. Graduating summa cum laude from Princeton University in 2004, Mr. Anderson was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa and was a 2005 Rhodes Scholar finalist.

**Dominic Belmonte** was named Golden Apple Foundation president and chief executive officer in May 2006. He had previously served as the Foundation's director of teacher preparation. Mr. Belmonte, a former English teacher and department chair at York Community High School in Elmhurst, received the Golden Apple Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1987.

**Miguel del Valle** is the first Latino to hold the office of city clerk of Chicago, a position he has held since 2006. Prior to his election to City Hall, Mr. del Valle was elected the first Latino senator in the Illinois General Assembly, where he served for 20 years. He currently serves on the Board of Directors for Advance Illinois and chairs the Illinois P-20 Council, which studies and makes recommendations on education initiatives for students in pre-K through grade twenty.

**Karen Lewis** is the president of the Chicago Teachers Union and a chemistry teacher at Martin Luther King College Preparatory High School. Ms. Lewis is a National Board Certified teacher and has advanced degrees in inner city education and film and video fine arts.

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**Pauline Lipman** is a professor of educational policy at the University of Illinois, Chicago. Dr. Lipman's research focuses on race and class inequality in schools, globalization, and the political economy and cultural politics of race in urban education.

**Linda Lutton** is reporter for WBEZ's education desk, and covers the Chicago Public Schools, suburban schools, regional and state education issues and the No Child Left Behind Act. She has produced numerous stories for the *Chicago Matters* public affairs series and has often appeared as a guest on *Eight Forty-Eight* weekday newsmagazine. Her work has also appeared in the *Chicago Tribune*, *Chicago Reader*, *Education Week*, *In These Times* and *Proceso* newsmagazine in Mexico.

**Reverend Calvin Morris** was named executive director of Community Renewal Society in 1998. Rev. Morris served 16 years at the Howard University School of Divinity as director of field education and director of ministries to church and society, as well as executive vice-president of academic services and academic dean at Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC) in Atlanta, Georgia.

**Ted Purinton** is chair and assistant professor in the department of educational leadership at National-Louis University. He is the recent author of *Six Degrees of School Improvement: Creating a New Profession of Teaching* (IAP Press).

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## ABOUT CHICAGO SHAKESPEARE THEATER

Chicago Shakespeare Theater (CST) celebrates its 25th Anniversary Season this year. Recipient of the Regional Theatre Tony Award, CST offers a broad spectrum of theatrical and educational experiences year-round. The plays of William Shakespeare form the core of its work, complemented by other dramatic works from classical theater to new classics. Committed to making theater a lifelong relationship, CST Family presents abridged Shakespeare, timeless fables and world-premiere musicals. Bringing Shakespeare's texts to life in the classroom, the Theater's education outreach program, Team Shakespeare, has served over one million students and teachers. Visit [www.chicagoshakes.com](http://www.chicagoshakes.com).

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Golden Apple

## ABOUT GOLDEN APPLE FOUNDATION

Golden Apple is a non-profit organization that works to inspire, develop and support teacher excellence in Illinois, particularly in schools of need. Because the critical contributor to student achievement is the quality of the teacher in the classroom, Golden Apple is dedicated to providing exceptional preparation for teachers at all stages of their careers. Golden Apple identifies motivated future educators with diverse backgrounds and, through the Golden Apple Scholars of Illinois program, provides advance teacher preparation and mentoring both during and after college to ensure their lasting success in challenging teaching environments. Its annually bestowed Golden Apple Awards for Excellence in Teaching celebrate outstanding teachers and invite those awarded the platform to further Golden Apple's mission. Golden Apple's innovative programs build on one another to transform teachers and teaching, enriching student and teacher lives.

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## ABOUT NATIONAL LOUIS UNIVERSITY

One hundred and twenty five years ago, the visionary social reformer Elizabeth Harrison founded what is now National Louis University, and created a new paradigm of adult education. In training women of modest means to transform their home communities through the kindergarten movement, Harrison and her colleagues inaugurated NLU's mission of preparing talented individuals to lead and succeed regardless of background. Today National Louis graduates thrive in the fields of education, management, human services, counseling, and other people-centered professions where authentic leadership and stewardship of community benefit us all. To celebrate its 125th Anniversary and further the reach of its innovative research, teaching and service, National Louis is launching this public forum series in partnership with Chicago Shakespeare Theater and Golden Apple Foundation. National Louis University believes that education has the power to democratize nations, to facilitate positive social change in communities, and to promote healthy economies.

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