

**From:** Jonah Zeiger <Jonah.Zeiger@cityofchicago.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 30, 2024 10:37 AM  
**To:** Steve Berlin <Steve.Berlin@cityofchicago.org>  
**Subject:** RE: Invitation to speak at The Fortnightly on October 29

Hi Steve,

Last night I spoke at The Fortnightly in my official capacity about the past, present, and future of Chicago's film and television industry.

Best,  
Jonah

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**From:** Jonah Zeiger <Jonah.Zeiger@cityofchicago.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 29, 2024 12:03 PM  
**To:** Steve Berlin <Steve.Berlin@cityofchicago.org>  
**Subject:** FW: Invitation to speak at The Fortnightly on October 29

Steve,

I was invited to speak at the Fortnightly last year but it was rescheduled. I am forwarding this on to you now, well in advance of the new date of October 29. My

**supervisor, Commissioner Clinee Hedspeth has approved the speaking engagement. I have declined the auditorium.**

**I was first invited by Karen Peters and then by Nancy Hornak, both of the Fortnightly Lecture Series Committee. I will speak on the film industry in Chicago to an audience of their members and guests and be hosted for a reception and a dinner.**

**They have invited me to bring a guest. I was planning to bring my wife to this event. Please let me know if there are any issues. Otherwise, I will follow up within 10 days with the standard recap.**

**Best,  
Jonah**

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**From: Jonah Zeiger  
Sent: Friday, July 26, 2024 1:21 PM  
To: Clinée Hedspeth <Clinee.Hedspeth@cityofchicago.org>  
Cc: Jennifer Johnson Washington <Jennifer.JohnsonWashington@cityofchicago.org>  
Subject: Invitation to speak at The Fortnightly on October 29**

**Commissioner,**

**I also wanted to share this speaking invitation I received. I had accepted this invitation in 2023 but the event was rescheduled until October 29, 2024. I accepted the invitation prior to receiving the directive that all invitations must be approved by you.**

**The Fortnightly is the oldest women's organization in Chicago and hosts a monthly lecture series.**

**For your awareness, I declined the honorarium that was offered per ethics guidelines.**

**Please let me know if I am approved to speak in the series in October.**

**Many thanks,,  
Jonah**

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**From: Nancy Hornak <nancyhornak@gmail.com>  
Sent: Wednesday, May 15, 2024 9:40 AM  
To: Jonah Zeiger <Jonah.Zeiger@cityofchicago.org>  
Subject: The Fortnightly "Agreement"**

**[Warning: External email]**

**Good morning, Jonah—**

**We're looking forward to your participation at The Fortnightly on October 29, 2024!**

**I've pre-completed the agreement form based on your previous commitment. Please do verify that it all remains current. If everything is correct, please just sign and date it and return it to me—the sooner, the better. :-)**

**Thanks you so much!**

**All the best,  
Nancy**