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Diploma
Bursary
Recipients
2019
Graduates

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| 1. Alberta Riley | MD Donegall Pass Community Forum |
| 2. Bronagh Flynn | Housing Rights Business Partnership & Development Officer |
| 3. Caeris Armour | Business & Enterprise Officer Ledcom |
| 4. Chara Clarke | Founder & Director GLOW |
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| 11. Helen Crickard | Vice- Chair Forward South Partnership |
| 12. Katherine Agnew | CEO An Tobar CIC |
| 13. Kieran Brady | Development Officer Ionad na Faiseoige |
| 14. Elaine Mansfield | Chair Donegall Pass Community Forum |
| 15. Laura McCourt | Information and Engagement Officer Ledcom |
| 16. Matthew McKinley | Commercial Manager Colin Neighbourhood Partnership |
| 17. Robin Stewart | Project Worker Reach UK |
| 18. Kirsty King | Founder Shared Threads |
| 19. Megan Douglas | Director (Founder) Proud |
| 20. Martin Connolly | MD Poleglass Community Association @ Sally Gardens |
| 21. Elizabeth Mansfield | Finance & Admin Donegall Pass Initiative |
| 22. Terry Conlon | Co-Founder 5th Element |
| 23. Eileen Wilson | Sustainable Living Manager Footprints Women's Centre |



FLAX TRUST MUSIC BURSARY RECIPIENTS
TO ASSIST FURTHER STUDIES

Flax Trust Inter-School Cross Community Gala Choir Competition
(FISCA) Belfast City Hall
260 young people from North Belfast took part in The Flax Trust
Inter-School Cross Community Gala Choir Competition (FISCA)



Girls Model, Belfast & Mercy College.
Winners of the Most Promising Senior Choir Award 2018 with Noel Thompson, BBC NI.

The Flax Trust Music Awards November 2018



Winner of the Flax Trust Music Award Kevin Jansson (*piano*)
with finalists Miriam Kiczor (*flute*) and Eva Richards (*cello*)

Flax Trust Music Awards 2019 Finalists



Tom Myles, *clarinet* Fiachra de Hora, *viola* Andrew Douglas, *flute*



Jack Wilson, *organist* Laoise Kavangh, *clarinet* Ryan Garnham, *baritone*

Flax Trust/CBYO
Conductors Award 2019



Ellen Quinn, *Cello*

Camerata Ireland
Music Bursary
Award 2019



Phoebe White, *Violin*

Welcome to the Twenty Ninth Annual
FLAX TRUST WASHINGTON DC EVENT

GUESTS OF HONOR
The Honorable Joseph Crowley

Margaret Brennan
Senior Foreign Affairs Correspondent at CBS News
and Moderator of 'Face the Nation'

Robert A. Dormer
Hyman, Phelps & McNamarra PC

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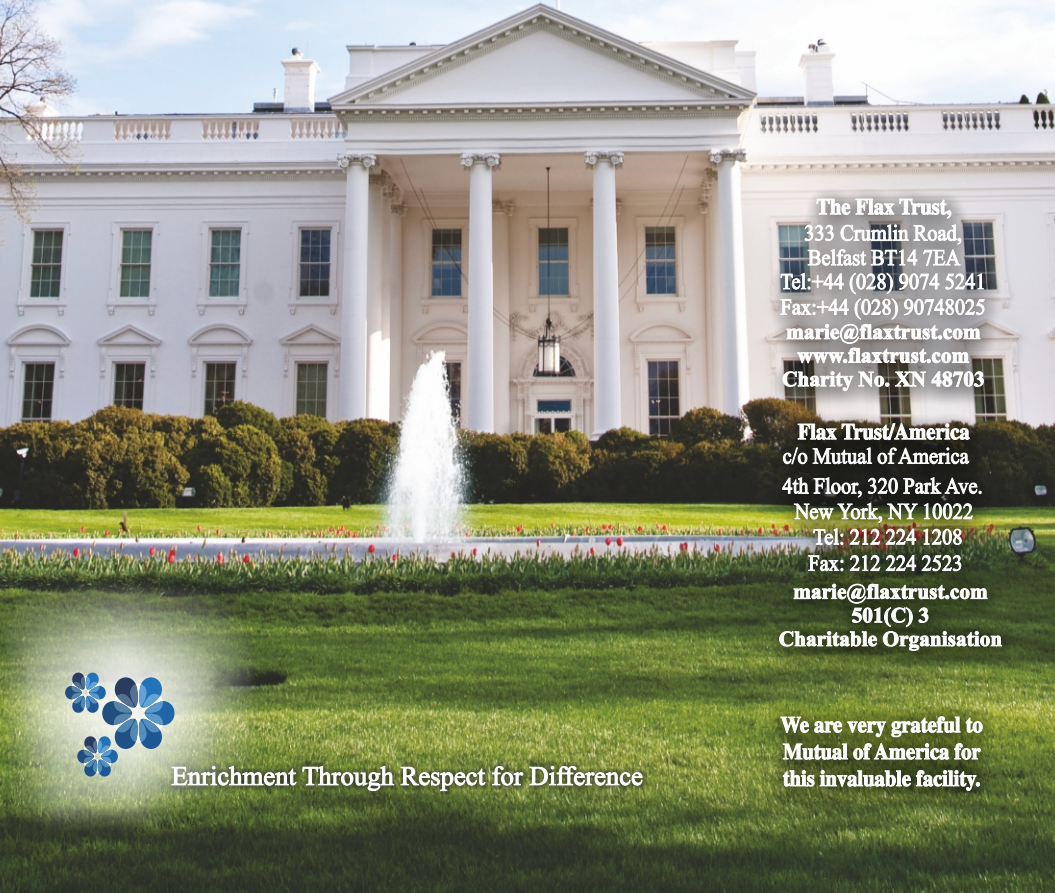
James M. Boland President, Boland Chair Flax Trust/America	Michael D. McCurry Director/Professor Centre for Public Theology Wesley Theological Seminary, Dir. Flax Trust/America
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Tuesday, November 26th, 2019

Hay Adams, The Rooftop Terrace
Across from The White House

Champagne Reception/Breakfast: 8:00a.m. - 9:30a.m.
Business Attire

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The Honourable Joseph Crowley

For more than two decades, Joe Crowley served in the U.S House of Representatives, where he had the honor of serving the people of New York's 14 congressional district, which includes Joe's hometown of Woodside, Queens.

During his time in Congress, Joe spent 6 years serving in elected leadership, including two years as the Chairman of the Democratic Caucus - the fourth highest ranking position among House Democrats. His rise into the party leadership was a result of tireless work to elect Democrats at every level of government. He mentored colleagues and candidates and earned the respect of those he served alongside.

Joe was also a member of the prestigious Committee on Ways and Means, where he worked to protect Social Security and Medicare, championed efforts to make health care more affordable, and advocated cutting taxes for middle-class Americans and small businesses. He successfully helped shepherd legislation to reform laws that unfairly taxed foreign investment in U.S. commercial real estate and was a key voice in discussions on how tax reform should be designed to benefit working men and women, authoring legislation to provide a tax relief for renters.

Congressman Crowley was on the frontline of efforts to pass the Affordable Care Act, enact marriage equality in New York State, and protect women's rights and human rights. He was also a three-time co-chair of the Congressional Caucus on India and Indian-Americans, co-chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Irish Affairs and an active member of the Friends of Ireland Caucus, chair of the New Democrat Coalition, and co-founder of both the Bangladesh Caucus and Rare Diseases Caucus.

Joe grew up in a hard-working, middle-class family. He graduated from Queens College, the pride of New York City's public university system. His father, was a New York City detective who put himself through law school, and his mother, an immigrant from Ireland, instilled in Joe a strong sense of family and community and a firm belief that America is a place of opportunity. Congressman Crowley is married to Kasey Crowley, a registered nurse. They have three children.



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Flax Trust Mission

The Flax Trust is a registered charity, formed in Belfast in 1977, has as it's Mission the reduction and, if possible, the elimination of community tensions and religious prejudices by creative engagement in economic and social development, education and training with inter-community activities including culture, the Arts, sport, health, social programmes, personal development and dedicated communication projects.

Margaret Brennan

Margaret Brennan is the Senior Foreign Affairs Correspondent at CBS News, and the moderator of "[Face the Nation](#)," the network's long running Sunday morning public affairs program. She is only the second woman to serve as moderator in the program's 65-year history.

Brennan has reported on politics, international affairs, and global markets since 2002. She joined CBS News in 2012 and was named White House and senior foreign affairs in 2017.

Since 2012, Brennan has been based in Washington and has reported on the Trump administration, and previously President Obama's administration, for all CBS News programs. Previously, Brennan covered the State Department for four years, where she reported on major national security stories including nuclear negotiations with Iran; restoration of diplomatic ties with Cuba; the standoff with North Korea; the conflict in Ukraine; and the accord to transfer control of Syria's chemical weapons.

Prior to joining CBS News, Brennan spent a decade covering the global financial markets. Brennan anchored and reported for Bloomberg Television globally. Previously, she was a correspondent at CNBC with a focus on the consumer during the financial crisis. She also contributed to various NBC News programs. Brennan began her career as a producer for CNBC's "Wall Street Week with Louis Rukeyser."

Brennan is a member at the Council on Foreign Relations and sits on the Advisory Board for the University of Virginia School of Politics.

Brennan graduated with highest distinction from the University of Virginia in 2002, where she earned a Bachelor's degree in Foreign Affairs and Middle East Studies with a minor in Arabic. As a Fulbright-Hays Scholar, she studied Arabic at Yarmouk University in Irbid, Jordan. She is also the recipient of an honorary doctor of letters degree from Niagara University. Brennan is a Connecticut native.



Robert A. Dormer

Robert A. Dormer is a founding member of Hyman, Phelps & McNamara, P.C., one of the leading food and drug law firms in the county. He has been an integral part of the firm's growth and expansion in all areas of FDA law. He advises clients on a wide range of issues throughout the product lifecycle including development and approval, compliance, and enforcement.

From 1976 to 1979, Mr. Dormer served in FDA's Office of Chief Counsel. He was an Associate Chief Counsel for Enforcement and Associate Chief Counsel for Radiological Health. Mr. Dormer was responsible for counseling what was then known as the Bureau of Radiological Health, which is now part of FDA's Center for Devices and Radiological Health. He also represented the FDA in civil and criminal litigation throughout the country. Prior to joining the FDA, he served as an attorney for the White House Special Action Office on Drug Abuse Prevention.

Mr. Dormer regularly counsels pharmaceutical clients on Hatch-Waxman patent and exclusivity issues, orphan drugs, and biosimilar regulation and policy. He also has extensive expertise with post-marketing issues such as advertising and promotion, and good manufacturing practices for drugs and medical devices.

Mr. Dormer is the author of three book chapters on food and drug law as well as numerous published articles. He regularly speaks on food and drug law at legal and regulatory conferences and provides expert testimony. Mr Dormer is a director of Flax Trust/America.

Mr. Dormer is a graduate of Dartmouth College and the University of Virginia Law School. He served in the U.S. Army from 1968 to 1970.



SNAPSHOT

2018 New York Banquet at The "21" Club



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| 1 | Brian, Sean Sr., Sean Jr., Peter McArdle | 11 | Greta Mulhall, Terry McAuliffe |
| 2 | Jim Boland Chair, welcomes guests | 12 | Hon. Richard Trumke, Hon. Tom Donahue |
| 3 | Swati Qhosh Sr., Phil Goodwin, Andy Athy, Mitch Torton, Samantha Connelly, Kirk Brungard, Bonnie & Bob Dormer, Ross Lewin, Michael Hickey, John Collins, Jay Hickey | 13 | Hon. John & Joyce Flynn |
| 4 | Sarah Heitkemper, John Collins | 14 | Stella O'Leary, Brian Cahalane, Steve Coyle, Pres. Sean McGarvey, Pres. Terry O'Sullivan, Rich Bhrciesi |
| 5 | Rory, Siobhan & Mike O'Neil, Julie Wright, Wes Kabance | 15 | Ambassador Paula Dobriansky, Crystal Carson, Pat O'Shea, Miriam Smyth, Brian O'Donovan |
| 6 | Hon. James Walsh, Wes Kabance, Erica Khatchadourian | 16 | Faye Jacobson, Lisa Kardell |
| 7 | Angela Moore, Ambassador Dan Mulhall | 17 | Thalia Lankin, Harpeet Peleg, Laura Faul, James Hooley, Tim Driscoll |
| 8 | Mike McCurry speaks with Fr Myles, skype link | 18 | Michal Loneragan, Mark Tuohey III, Oakley Brooks, Richard Cushnie, Samantha Burke, Lillian Farrell, Norma Ces, Mark Bailey |
| 9 | Jim Boland with Honorees Mike O'Neil, Terry McAuliffe & Governor Larry Hogan, Sr Mary Turley, & Mike McCurry, Ambassador Dan Mulhall, Hon. James Walsh | 19 | Kevin McDonald & John McCarthy |
| 10 | Ross Lewin, Sandra Quinn, Stephen Thomas, Eddie Friel, Chris Lucy | 20 | Karen Walker, Cheryl Marquis, Drew Hudson, Susan Davis |
| | | 21 | Brian Darmody, Fr Van Dyke, Mark Shields, Lou Boland, Tim Maloney |