

## Authoring Justice

### LECTURERS AND EXPERTS



Main lecturer

#### **Andrew Leon Hanna**

Professor Andrew Leon Hanna is an award-winning entrepreneur, lawyer, author, and professor. Professor Hanna is the founder of Mona and DreamxAmerica, social ventures that highlight and invest in refugee, immigrant, and women entrepreneurs around the world. His debut book, *25 Million Sparks: The Untold Story of Refugee Entrepreneurs* (Cambridge University Press), was named a Financial Times Best Book of the Year and won the prestigious Bracken Bower

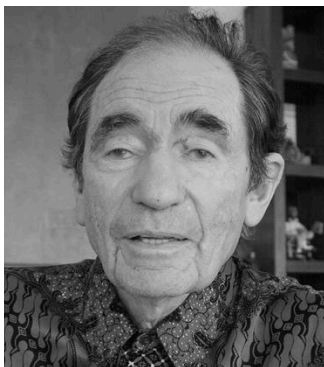
Prize in London. He is an adjunct professor at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business, where he teaches "Global Social Entrepreneurship." Professor Hanna graduated with honors from the Stanford Graduate School of Business, Harvard Law School, and Duke University. He has been named to the Forbes 30 Under 30 List and his work has been featured in the BBC, PBS, Fast Company, Forbes, Financial Times, and more.



Author, public speaker, teacher

#### **Kao Kalia Yang**

Professor Kao Kalia Yang is a Hmong American teacher, speaker, and writer. Her work crosses audiences and genres. She is the award-winning author of the memoirs *The Latecomer*, *The Song Poet*, *Somewhere in the Unknown World*, and *Where Rivers Part*. Yang co-edited the groundbreaking book, *What God is Honored Here?: Writings on Miscarriage and Infant Loss By and For Native Women and Women of Color*. Yang is a librettist for the *The Song Poet Opera* (commissioned by the MN Opera). Her children's books, *A Map Into the World*, *The Most Beautiful Thing*, *The Shared Room*, *Yang Warriors*, *From the Tops of the Trees*, and *The Rock in My Throat* center around Hmong children who live in our world, who dream and hurt and hope in it. Yang's work has been recognized by the National Endowment for the Arts, the National Book Critics Circle Award, the Chautauqua Prize, the PEN USA literary awards, the Dayton's Literary Peace Prize, as Notable Books by the American Library Association, Kirkus Best Books of the Year, the Heartland Bookseller's Award, and garnered four Minnesota Book Awards. Yang is McKnight, Soros, and Guggenheim fellow.



Former judge on the Constitutional Court of Africa

#### **Albie Sachs**

Albie Sachs is an activist, writer and a former judge on the Constitutional Court of South Africa (1994 – 2009). He began practising as an advocate at the Cape Bar at the age of 21, defending people charged under the racial statutes and security laws of apartheid. After two spells of being detained in solitary confinement without trial, first for five months, then for three months, he went into exile in England, where he completed a PhD at Sussex University. In 1988, he lost his right arm and his sight in one eye when a bomb was placed in his car by South African security agents in Maputo, Mozambique. After the bombing, he devoted

himself to the preparations for a new democratic constitution for South Africa. When he returned home from exile, he serves as a member of the Constitutional Hill Trust, which promotes constitutionalism and the rule of law. He has travelled to many countries sharing South African experiences that might help heal divided societies. He is the author of several books, including *The Jail Diary of Albie Sachs*, *Justice in South Africa*, *Sexism and the Law*, *Soft Vengeance of Freedom Fighter* and *The Strange Alchemy of Life and Law*. His latest books are *We, the People: Insights of an activist judge* (2016) and *Oliver Tambo's Dream* (2017).



Writer and journalist

### **Jemma Neville**

Jemma Neville is an award-winning writer and journalist. Her debut book, *Constitution Street*, finding hope in an age of anxiety (published by 404 Ink), told the interconnecting stories of neighbours on one street within the narrative structure of The Universal Declaration of Human Rights. She has worked in a range of roles connecting the global and the local, including at arts charity Creative Lives and The Scottish Human Rights Commission. Her research was shortlisted for The Guardian International Development Journalism Award and she was the inaugural Community Fellow at The University of Edinburgh Institute for Advanced Studies in Humanities. Jemma is a Global Campus Alumna (EMA 2006). She lives in rural Scotland with her young family.



Author

### **Casey Gerald**

Casey Gerald is the author of *There Will Be No Miracles Here*, a memoir that stands the American Dream narrative on its head, while straddling the complex intersection of race, class, religion, and sexuality. *There Will Be No Miracles Here* was named a Best Book of 2018 by NPR and the New York Times, among others. The book was a finalist for the Lambda Literary Award, a longlist selection for the Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Nonfiction, and was described by novelist Marlon James as “the most urgently political, most deeply personal, and most engagingly spiritual statement of our time.” Gerald’s essays include “The Black Art of Escape,” published in *New York Magazine* and selected by Longform as one of the best essays of 2019; and “Leon Bridges After Dark,” a *Texas Monthly* cover profile that won the 2022 National City & Regional Magazine Award. Gerald is currently writing a new book, *The Great Refusal*, which explores the power of individual and collective refusal to help us find our way to better lives and a better world. Gerald’s work has been supported by the Marguerite Casey Foundation. He currently serves as chairman of Kickstarter, PBC; a Senior Fellow of Humanity in Action; a New America Foundation & Presidential Leadership Scholars Fellow; and a former Aspen Words Writer-in-Residence. He lives in Texas.



Managing Director of Ebury (Penguin Random House)

### **Joel Rickett**

Joel Rickett is a publisher at Penguin Random House. His current role is Managing Director of Ebury, the PRH division which is the largest non-fiction publisher in the UK. Ebury authors include Sir David Attenborough, Joshua Wong, Maria Ressa, Adam Grant, Brené Brown, Gabor Maté, Arnold Schwarzenegger, Edith Eger and Steven Bartlett. Prior to becoming a publisher, Joel was a journalist and editor, writing on books, arts and media for outlets including the Guardian and The

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