

A Youth Conference To Save Democracy in America

**Enemies: Fascism, Racism, Materialism, etc. are on the rise!
And Democracy has no strategic plans to survive.**

July 4, 1776, The U.S. Declaration of Independence opened a new door to humankind with these inspired words:

**“We hold these truths to be self-evident that
all men are created equal . . .”**

Thus, the modern world’s first democracy was born. Many Americans have forgotten the divine origin of these inspired words and will vote to abandon democracy.



Who will save Democracy in America?

*Some sacred texts of the world’s religions, history, and scientific research point fingers toward the “**pure in heart**” of the world, especially children, youth, and young adults who are open to “Heaven’s own Armory” – Thomas Carlyle.*

The International Conference on Thinking® (ICOT), The American Creed Academy, Inc., invite citizens everywhere, particularly teachers and professors who know 1,000 or more persons¹, to nominate young people of the highest intelligence, most sterling character, and with the **purest hearts** to consult at **ICOT XIX on strategies to save democracy**. One hundred of the most qualified young people will be invited to the three-day conference to frame a new *magna carta for the common people* to implement the sacred texts and scientific research that point humanity toward a “more perfect union,” For Example: Nobel Laureate Milton Friedman’s six-page capitalistic **REMEDY** for the obscene wealth gap and the racism in America.

More details are on the reverse.

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¹ Most adults know 100 people. Within that 100 are probably at least two actual or potential geniuses. If one knows 500 persons, he or she probably knows at least one with unquestioned integrity. If one knows 1,000 people, as do most teachers and professors, he or she probably knows at least one person with all the above, plus charisma. **Those are the ones we will invite to **devise strategic grassroots plans to save democracy**.**

Details of ICOT XIX

Place: Vines 4-H Center, Little Rock, Arkansas

Date: June 12 – 15, 2024

Cost: \$400 for the conference fee, three nights lodging, and nine first-class meals. (If under 15, the student must be accompanied by a parent or chaperone who pays \$500.)

Participants: 100 exceptional young persons, ages 12 – 30, with proven high intelligence, vision, intuition, and a pure heart that endow them with the charisma to find strategies and tactics to implement remedies to solve the world’s most severe social problems that governments do not have the vision nor wisdom to solve.

Benefits: Participants will author a best-selling primer, plus an e-book, and audible versions containing strategies for saving democracies. They will gain worldwide recognition via YouTube, social media, etc., as the authors of a new *Magna Carta* for the oppressed peoples of the world living under tyrannies and unwise leadership. Each will henceforth have an incredibly strong resumé.



Anyone may be nominated or may apply. However, the 100 selected **must prove** their abilities by:

- Scoring 142 or more on either of the standard IQ tests, the Stanford Binet or the Wechsler; and
- Scoring 142 or higher on the **Maxwell – Martin Multiple Intelligences Career Pathfinder** (AKA the **Genius Finder Test** which can be found at: <https://americancreedacademy.com/testing>). The **Genius Finder Test** samples abilities not recognized by the Binet or Wechsler IQ tests, that is, curiosity (mental flexibility), intuition, and achievement drive, which are more predictive of success than IQ scores.

For fairness, all the above tests must be taken under the supervision of a high school or university counselor.

- Demonstrating wisdom by analyzing in 500 or fewer words any one of the research-based remedies for racism or other social illnesses, such as those remedies proposed by (1) **Confucius**, land for every citizen, circa 500 C.E; (2) discuss lessons or remedies proposed by any one of the world’s **revealed religions**; (3) **Alfred Binet’s idea**, “Change the environment,” 1905; (4) **Gordon Allport’s developmental idea**, 1954; (5) Nobel Laureate **Milton Friedman**, capitalist-funded, first-class education remedy to everyone, 1962; (6) **Shinichi Suzuki’s music lessons ideas**, 1966; (7) Harvard’s **Robert Rosenthal** and **Lenore Jacobson**, “The Self-Fulfilling Prophecy Effect,” 1968; and (8) the “The Attention Inclination” ideas of **Kisou Kubota**, MD, Ph.D., Kyoto University, 2009, etc.
- Writing a one-page biographical sketch that demonstrates high entrepreneurial and human relations skills, including:
 - a plan to raise between \$750 and \$1,000 by May 31st to cover the costs of attending **ICOT XIX**;
 - an unusual action in response to a family or school or neighborhood or community or village need or problem.

Conference History: **©The International Conference on Thinking®** was founded in 1982 by Professor William Maxwell at the University of the South Pacific, Suva, Fiji, with financial support from the USP, the governments of Fiji, Finland, Kiribati, the U.K., and the USA. **ICOT** was designed as an inter-disciplinary problem-solving conference, with the first problem addressed being the falling IQ scores of children due to violence on television and other factors. **ICOT** grew from 250 participants in Fiji to 847 at Harvard University, in 1984. These conferences were hosted by great universities around the world, Auckland, MIT, Stockholm, Singapore, etc., with attendance often exceeding 3,000. The United States Patent and Trademark Office issued Trademark No. 5,643,746 on January 01, 2019, to William Maxwell. All other ICOTs are infringements of “Intellectual Property Rights” and are therefore illegitimate.

ICOT XIX Conference Style: Participants will be assigned to teams of nine or ten to analyze aspects of the problem and develop strategies and tactics to save democracy. **More details:** www.icot2023.org; or, email to: professorwilliammaxwell3@gmail.com.

Also Invited: Twelve mature, distinguished leaders/scholars who will have agreed to observe the students’ consultations and collectively write a brief introduction to the students’ work and an epilog assessing the value of the students’ product(s).

Chair and Convener: Professor William Maxwell, Ed.D. The founder of **The International Conference on Thinking®**, 1982, will chair this **XIX** session of the Conference. With a master’s and a doctorate from Harvard University and the author or editor of over 20 books, including eleven edited for the 62 teachers’ colleges of the six northern states of Nigeria, 1969, Professor Maxwell is probably the only educator to have been trusted by twelve foreign governments to oversee training their high school teachers in all subjects. These governments were the eleven owners of the University of the South Pacific, Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Nauru, Niue, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu. He was also the first principal of the first post-secondary school in southeastern Nigeria, now named the Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, the largest teacher training university in Africa. Professor Maxwell was also Associate Dean of The School of Education at North Carolina State University, Raleigh; Dean of the School of Education, at California State University, Fresno, which graduated over 700 teachers every year. and Dean of the School of Education at Texas Southern University, Houston. He will be 95 years old in March, with a lot of energy left.