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## National Women's Hall of Fame Induction Sept. 14, 2019

Laurie Spiegel, composer to be included

Seneca Falls, NY: - In celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of Women's Right to Vote in NY, The National Women's Hall of Fame will host a weekend celebrating the achievements of American Women in the birthplace of the Women's Rights movement in the U.S. The highlight of the weekend is the induction of ten women into the Hall of Fame for their historic achievements. "We are pleased to add these American women to the ranks of inductees whose leadership and achievements have changed the course of American history," said Betty Bayer, Ph. D., the Hall's President.

The National Women's Hall of Fame will celebrate the inclusion of these extraordinary women into the ranks of the inductees at the biennial induction ceremony on September 14, 2019 at the magnificent del Lago Resort & Casino, located outside of Seneca Falls, NY.

The 2019 class of inductees were nominated by the public, judged by an interdisciplinary team of experts across the nominees' fields, and selected for their invaluable contributions to American Society in the areas of the arts, athletics, business, education, government, humanities, philanthropy, and science.

Laurie Spiegel (1945-) A composer whose work appears on NASA's "Golden Record," (shipped out on the Voyager spacecraft) Laurie Spiegel is known worldwide for her pioneering work with early electronic and computer music systems. A cutting-edge thinker, her experience with early analogue electronic music systems led Spiegel to innovate musically and instrumentally. She has focused largely on interactive software that uses algorithmic logic as a supplement to human abilities, thereby expanding access to creative expression for a far greater number of people than was previously allowed through traditional methods of musical training. The aesthetics of musical structure and cognitive processes have also been a focus of Spiegel's work.

Spiegel's work has been re-issued, having appeared in the popular *Hunger Games* movies, highlighted in the 2018 BBC *Proms*, and featured in various museum settings where the intersection of electronic music compositions, the machines and software used to create those compositions, and the visual arts have come together in harmony.

## Fellow 2019 Inductees:

Gloria Allred, Attorney & Activist Angela Davis, Professor & Activist Sarah Deer, Professor, Lawyer & Advocate
Jane Fonda, Actress & Activist Nicole Malachowski, U.S.A.F. Ret.,

Activist
Rose O'Neill, Artist & Activist
Louse Slaughter, Former U.S.
Congress member, Advocate
Sonia Sotomayor, U.S. Supreme
Court Justice
Flossie Wong-Staal, Biologist

## About the NATIONAL WOMEN'S HALL OF FAME

The National Women's Hall of Fame was founded in 1969 and is the nation's oldest membership organization and museum dedicated to honoring and celebrating the achievements of distinguished American women. In pursuit of its mission of "Showcasing Great Women...Inspiring All," the National Women's Hall of Fame honors the women of the past, relates the history of women's struggles, prepares the women of the future and serves as the voice celebrating the value of women.

Situated in Seneca Falls, NY, the birthplace of women's rights, the Hall tells women's stories by focusing on the leadership lessons from its inductees throughout American history. The Hall is in the process of revitalizing the former Seneca Knitting Mill as its new home with the plan to create a vibrant, state-of-the-art facility serving as a leadership center and an educational venue where visitors can discover and be inspired by the stories of great American women. For information about our 2019 inductees, please go to <a href="https://www.womenofthehall.org/introducing-2019-nwhf-inductees">https://www.womenofthehall.org/introducing-2019-nwhf-inductees</a>.

For tickets to induction: <a href="https://www.womenofthehall.org/event/2019-induction-weekend/">https://www.womenofthehall.org/event/2019-induction-weekend/</a>

\* This list of the 2019 class of inductees to the National Women's Hall of Fame contains only the names of those nominees whose attendance at the Seneca Falls Induction ceremony is confirmed at this point. Additional inductees may be announced pending scheduling and travel confirmation.

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