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# **ANNUAL DINNER**



## **Evening Program**

**VIP Reception** sponsored by Levin Capital Strategies, LP (by invitation only)

Networking Reception sponsored by Lord Abbett

### **Dinner Program**

### **Opening Remarks**

### Deepika Sharma, CFA

Director, Manager Research Team in Multi-Asset Strategies & Solutions, BlackRock Chair, Board of Directors, CFA Society New York

### Welcome Address

### Marg Franklin, CFA

President and CEO, CFA Institute

### Irving Kahn Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient

**John Levin** Chief Executive Officer and Senior Portfolio Manager, Levin Capital Strategies, LP

with introduction by

### Scott Evans, CFA

Former Deputy Comptroller for Asset Management, Chief Investment Officer, Office of the NYC Comptroller

2018 Irving Kahn Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient

### accepted on behalf by

### **Robert Discolo, CFA, CAIA**

CEO and CIO, River Partners Family Office

### **Dinner Is Served**

### **Dinner Speakers**

### Keynote Address

### Anastasia Titarchuk

Chief Investment Officer, New York State's Common Retirement Fund

### with introduction by

### Andrew Auslander, CFA, FRM

Treasurer, Board of Directors, CFA Society New York

### **Closing Remarks**

### Kelly Ye, CFA

Director of Research, IndexIQ Board of Director, CFA Society New York

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#### First Course

#### **Asian Mixed Greens**

Avocado • Cucumber • Shaved Celery • Tomato Daikon Sprouts • Soy Dressing

### Entrée Seared Beef Tenderloin

Pearl Onions • Wild Mushroom and Artichoke Ragout Celeriac and Truffle Purée • Port Wine Reduction

#### **Wine Selections**

Sauvignon Blanc, Mud House, New Zealand Pinot Noir, Hanging Vine, St. Helena, California

> <u>Dessert</u> Apple Cider Cake

Calamansi Curd • Cream Chantilly • Caramelized Apple Compote

Freshly Brewed La Colombe Coffee • Decaffeinated Coffee Tealeaves Tea Selection

## Letter from the Chair of the Board of CFA Society New York

Thank you for joining us for CFA Society New York's 84th Anniversary Dinner. We have a lot to be thankful for this year- experiencing the city buzzing back to life, the opportunity to re-connect safely with our friends and colleagues; and the resilience of our amazing volunteer leaders, members, and staff team.

The Irving Kahn Lifetime Achievement Award this year will be given to John Levin. We are pleased to honor John's lifetime of contributions to the industry. John is currently CEO of Levin Capital Strategies, LP and was a partner at Steinhardt Partners (1976-1982) and a partner and director of research at Loeb, Rhoades & Co. (1963-1976), which was acquired by American Express.

We also offer thanks to Scott Evans, CFA for introducing John. It is our tradition that previous Irving Kahn Lifetime Achievement Award winners introduce later winners. Scott received the honor in 2018.

Convening industry leaders that are having an outsized impact on our community is core to the value our Society delivers to members and the broader industry. We are thankful to be joined by Anastasia Titarchuk, Chief Investment Officer of New York State's Common Retirement Fund, as this year's keynote speaker.

Despite the challenges posed by the pandemic, CFA Society New York has continued to thrive. In the past twelve months, our staff team and volunteer leaders have convened more than 13,000 attendees across 122 events. This included our ongoing Asset Owner Series (AOS) and new events like the Society's inaugural Fintech Week this past April. And while the heart of our programming is driven by our New York area members, the Society's reach remains global. We make nearly all of our content available to other CFA Societies globally, and 25% of our recorded content views came from international users this past year. Underscoring the Society's efforts is our partnership with the CFA Institute. We are thrilled to be joined at this year's dinner by Marg Franklin, CFA, the CFA Institute's CEO. We were very excited to be among the first Societies to help the Institute roll out its certificate program for ESG Investing and continue to partner in jointly promoting the highest standards of education, ethics, and professional excellence.

I am honored to be a part of this ecosystem of professionals – our members, our partners, and industry professionals here in New York and across the globe. As we look forward to the coming year, CFA Society New York will strive to remain at the forefront of providing relevant, quality education and networking opportunities that support our members' professional success and growth.

Sincerely,

Deepika Sharma, CFA Chair, Board of Directors

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# The 2021 CFA Society New York Annual Dinner



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The Irving Kahn Lifetime Achievement Award is presented to a member of the investment profession who has made distinctive contributions to the industry and whose exemplary achievement, excellence of practice, and true leadership have elevated the integrity and competence of the profession. This award was established in 2011 to honor the enduring contributions of Irving Kahn, one of CFA Society New York's founders and the first recipient of the award.



The recipient of the 2021 Irving Kahn Lifetime Achievement Award is John Levin.

After earning a degree from Yale Law School, John spent 13 years at Loeb, Rhoades & Company. Over his tenure, he rose to partner and Director of Research. Loeb, Rhoades & Co. was ultimately acquired by American Express.

John later left Loeb, Rhoades & Co to join hedge fund titan—and fellow Loeb, Rhoades & Co. alumnus—Michael Steinhardt at Steinhardt Partners, where he was named partner. John later left Steinhardt to establish John A. Levin & Co., Inc. In 1997, Levin & Co. was acquired by Baker, Fentress & Company. John remained as Chairman and CEO until September 2005. In January 2006, John launched his current company, Levin Capital Strategies, LP which manages assets for institutional and private investors.

We are so pleased to honor John's contributions to the industry, the value he has created for investors, and in particular the role he has played as a mentor for industry professionals.

We also offer thanks to Scott Evans, CFA for introducing John. It is our tradition that previous Irving Kahn Lifetime Achievement Award winners introduce the current recipient. Scott was honored with the award in 2018.

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Congratulations to the esteemed recipient of the 2021 Irving Kahn Lifetime Achievement Award

### John Levin

Chief Executive Officer and Senior Portfolio Manager Levin Capital Strategies, LP





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EVERYONE AT OUR FIRM IS THRILLED THAT CFA SOCIETY NEW YORK MEMBERS WILL CELEBRATE THE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT OF OUR FOUNDER, JOHN LEVIN.

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#### **Veterans Roundtable**

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# Thomas Brigandi, CFA CFA Society New York

Congratulations to CFA Society New York Vice Chair <u>Thomas Brigandi, CFA</u>, who was honored by CFA Institute—as part of the *2021 Society Awards Programme*—with the <u>Volunteer of the Year Award</u> for the Americas region.

Mr. Brigandi won the award in recognition of his tireless volunteer efforts in service of both CFA Society New York and the CFA Society® community globally.

# Thank you for a successful year of quality programming!

CFA Society New York's volunteer leaders, members, speakers, attendees and staff team made 2021 another phenomenal year for our meetings and events. The Society helped to keep the New York area investment management community – and colleagues around the globe – engaged throughout the year with world class moderators and panelists providing expert perspectives on relevant topics.



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