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WASHINGTONIAN ANNOUNCES 2025 WASHINGTONIANS OF THE YEAR

WASHINGTON, D.C. (December 9, 2025)— *Washingtonian* magazine has announced its 54th annual **Washingtonians of the Year** list that highlights 10 local heroes who are using their experience, smarts, and creativity to make our region a better place to live. The following list of honorees will appear in the January 2026 print issue (on newsstands December 18, 2025):

Yasmine Arrington Brooks

Founder and Executive Director
ScholarCHIPS

Aza Nedhari

Cofounder and Executive Director
Mamatoto Village

Christopher Bradshaw

Founder and Executive Director
Dreaming Out Loud

Bob Nixon

President and CEO
Earth Conservation Corps

Mark Ein

Investor, Entrepreneur, and Philanthropist

Norm Ornstein and Judy Harris

Founders
The Matthew Harris Ornstein Summer
Debate Institute

Ann Friedman

Founder and CEO
Planet Word

Judith Sandalow

CEO
Children's Law Center

Jean-Michel Giraud

President and CEO
Friendship Place

"We are proud to continue our tradition of highlighting those who lift up our community," says *Washingtonian* CEO Catherine Merrill. "The stories of our 54th class of Washingtonians of the Year are proof that one person's commitment can create ripples of positive change throughout our region."

Washingtonian will honor its 2025 Washingtonians of the Year with a luncheon, sponsored by PNC and Johnson & Johnson, from 11:30 am-1:30 pm on Thursday, January 15, 2026 at The Willard Intercontinental (1401 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20004). For more information about the luncheon, please contact Marketing and Events Director Danesha Price-Quintanilla at (202) 739-2411 or dprice@washingtsonian.com.