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## WNET and The Museum of the City of New York Partner to Bring *Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg In Conversation* to Public Television in January

(New York, NY, December 13, 2018) WNET, parent company of New York's PBS stations THIRTEEN and WLIW21 and operator of NJTV, has announced that *Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg In Conversation* will air on public television stations beginning Wednesday, January 2 (check local listings). In the tri-state area, the program will air on <u>Wednesday, January 2 at 9 p.m.</u> on WLIW; Monday, January 7 at 9 p.m. on THIRTEEN; and Thursday, January 10 at 9 p.m. on <u>NJTV</u>. The program will be available to stream the following day on each station's website.

The broadcast will feature the Museum of the City of New York's sold-out event, "An Evening with Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg," which will be taped on Saturday, December 15, as part of *The David Berg Distinguished Speakers Series.* Justice Ginsburg will sit down with Nina Totenberg, National Public Radio's award-winning legal affairs correspondent, for a wide-ranging conversation about her quarter century on the nation's highest bench, her 2016 book *My Own Words*, and her continuing commitment to principled dissent.

"We are deeply honored to host this evening with Justice Ginsburg, a native New Yorker," said Whitney W. Donhauser, President & Ronay Menschel Director of the Museum of the City of New York. "She is a remarkable civil servant and her commitment to justice, equality, and informed public discourse is an inspiration to us all."

"Providing viewers in the tri-state region with educational, enlightening and entertaining programming, where dialogue is respectful and diverse points of view are considered, is essential to our mission," said Diane Masciale, Vice President and General Manager of WLIW and Executive Producer of local programming for WNET. "We are proud to partner with the Museum of the City of New York to extend the reach of this special conversation with Justice Ginsburg in New York and beyond."

Brooklyn-born Associate Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg is the second woman ever appointed to the United States Supreme Court. A graduate of NYC's public school system, Ginsburg was one of only nine female law students in her 500-person class at Harvard; she then became the first female law professor to receive tenure at Columbia University. A lifelong champion of human rights and gender equality, Ginsburg co-founded and served as director of the Women's Rights Project of the American Civil Liberties Union before being appointed to the Supreme Court by President Bill Clinton in 1993.

For the Museum of the City of New York the program is made possible by The David Berg Foundation. This series features prominent New York scholars, policymakers, artists, business leaders, and observers in talks that explore the key ideas and forces that have created the New York we know today and are shaping the city of tomorrow.

*Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg In Conversation* is a WLIW LLC production for WNET. Ally Gimbel is executive producer. Ann Benjamin is director. Sasha Schecter is producer. Diane Masciale is executive in charge for WLIW.

## Websites:

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WNET is America's flagship PBS station and parent company of THIRTEEN and WLIW21, home to ALL ARTS. WNET also operates NJTV, the statewide public media network in New Jersey. Through its broadcast channels, three cable services (THIRTEEN PBSKids, Create and World) and online streaming sites, WNET brings quality arts, education and public affairs programming to more than five million viewers each week. WNET produces and presents such acclaimed PBS series as Nature, Great Performances, American Masters, PBS NewsHour Weekend, the new nightly interview program Amanpour and Company and a range of documentaries, children's programs, and local news and cultural offerings. WNET's groundbreaking series for children and young adults include Get the Math, Oh Noah! and Cyberchase as well as Mission US, the award-winning interactive history experience. WNET highlights the tri-state's unique issues and culture through NJTV News with Mary Alice Williams and MetroFocus, NYC-ARTS, Treasures of New York, Theater Close-Up, and WLIW Arts Beat. WNET creates online-only programming, including the award-winning series about gender identity, First Person. Through multi-platform initiatives Chasing the Dream: Poverty and Opportunity in America and Peril and Promise: The Challenge of Climate Change, WNET showcases the human stories around these issues and promising solutions. The weekly program SciTech Now explores the nexus of new ideas in science and technology. Through THIRTEEN Passport and WLIW Passport, station members can stream new and archival THIRTEEN, WLIW and PBS programming anytime, anywhere.

## About the Museum of the City of New York

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