



Previous Keynote Speakers

Michael Petters

President and CEO | Huntington Ingalls Industries
November 6, 2012

John R. Lawson II

President and Chief Executive Officer | W.M. Jordan Company
February 26, 2013

General Gilmary Michael Hostage, III

Commander | Air Combat Command | Langley Air Force Base
May 13, 2013

Carl Lum

Park President | Busch Gardens and Water Country USA
September 16, 2014

Thomas R. Farrell II

Chairman, President/CEO | Dominion Resources, Inc.
November 25, 2014

Thomas R. Frantz

CEO and Chairman | Williams Mullen
February 20, 2015

John Broderick

President | Old Dominion University
June 15, 2015

Karen R. Jackson

Secretary of Technology
September 17, 2015

John F. Reinhart

CEO/Executive Director | Port of Virginia
February 16, 2016

David J. Masterson

President | Sentara Williamsburg Regional Medical Center
May 10, 2016

Aubrey L. Layne, Jr.

Secretary of Transportation | Commonwealth of Virginia
September 27, 2016

Howard H. Hoega III

President and CEO | The Mariners' Museum and Park
February 14, 2017

Dr. Albert "Bull" Mitchum, Jr.

Director of International Affairs and Foreign Policy Advisor | Air Combat Command | Langley AFB
June 20, 2017

Kasia Grzelkowski

President/CEO | VersAbility Resources, Inc.
November 21, 2017

Jennifer Boykin

Executive Vice President | Huntington Ingalls Industries
President | Newport News Shipbuilding
March 28, 2018

William B. Downey

President and CEO | Riverside Health System
July 17, 2018

Paul S. Tribble Jr.

President | Christopher Newport University
October 2, 2018

Jill M. Marlowe

Associate Center Director, Technical | NASA Langley Research Center
February 26, 2019

John R. Lawson

Executive Chairman | W.M. Jordan Company
April 30, 2019

Admiral Christopher W. Grady

Commander | U.S. Fleet Forces Command | United States Navy
Commander | U.S. Naval Forces Northern Command | United States Navy
August 13, 2019

Charles D. Layman

President & CEO | Goodwill of Central and Coastal Virginia
November 12, 2019

Katherine A. Rowe

Twenty-Eighth President | William & Mary
January 28, 2020

Clayton Turner

Director | NASA Langley Research Center
February 23, 2021

Barbara Hamm Lee

Owner | Sharing Info, LLC
May 4, 2021

Chief Steve Drew

Chief of Police | Newport News Police Department
October 26, 2021

J.D. Myers II

Senior Vice President and Region Manager | Cox Virginia
February 15, 2022

Alexis Swann

President | TowneBank – Peninsula and Williamsburg
May 24, 2022

Alan Witt

Dean of the Luter School of Business | Christopher Newport University
August 16, 2022

Michael A. Giardino, C.M.

Executive Director | Peninsula Airport Commission
November 15, 2022