



Intelligence Squared U.S. Wins 2015 New York Festivals International Radio Awards

“Best Public Affairs Program” and “Best Regularly Scheduled Talk Program”

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For the third consecutive year, Intelligence Squared U.S. has been honored for excellence in radio and podcast programming by the New York Festivals International Radio Programs & Promos Awards.



On Monday night, IQ2US was announced as the 2015 winner of the Silver Radio Award for [Best Public Affairs Program](#) and the Bronze Radio Award for [Best Regularly Scheduled Talk Program](#) by New York Festivals.

Currently broadcast on over 220 public radio stations nationwide, Intelligence Squared U.S. was selected from entries from over 30 countries by a Grand Jury of industry leaders worldwide, recognizing the series as the “World’s Best Work in Programming.”

Founded in 2006 and recorded in front of a live audience in New York City, Intelligence Squared U.S. has grown into a unique multi-platform experience – spanning live events, radio, television, podcasts, and digital and social media – that is heard and watched by millions internationally. With more than 4.5 million podcast downloads in the last year, Intelligence Squared U.S. has become one of NPR’s most popular public affairs podcasts, and praised by *Forbes* as one of “Five Podcasts that Will Change the Way You Think.”

The series has attracted the world’s top thinkers including Paul Krugman, Steve Forbes, Karl Rove, Malcolm Gladwell, Alan Dershowitz, Peter Thiel, and Arianna Huffington, among 450 other influential thought leaders.

IQ2US has produced more than 100 debates on a wide range of provocative topics, including global warming, genetically engineered babies, a nuclear Iran, the financial crisis, the marketing of organic foods, and the death of mainstream media.

In addition to monthly live events from New York City's Kaufman Center, IQ2US has hosted debates in premiere intellectual spaces, including the Aspen Ideas Festival, Chicago Ideas Week, and the National Constitution Center. Debates have been featured in *The New Yorker*, *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *New York Magazine*, *Men's Health*, *Forbes*, and panelists have appeared on MSNBC's *Morning Joe* and WNYC's *The Brian Lehrer Show* to discuss the series' timely propositions.

ABC News correspondent John Donvan is the moderator, and the executive producer is Dana Wolfe. Intelligence Squared U.S. was founded by Robert Rosenkranz and Alexandra Munroe.