

2025 Symposium Agenda

8:30 AM – Registration and Breakfast

9:00 AM - Opening remarks: Rev. Mark Fowler, CEO, Tanenbaum

9:15 AM – Keynote address

Tinisha Agramonte, Senior VP and Chief Opportunity & Inclusion Officer, The Walt Disney Company

9:30 AM – Global Leadership Reimagined: Advancing Religious Inclusion in Executive Development and Assessment

Moderator: Cecilia Nelson-Hurt, Chief Inclusion Officer, Heidrick and Struggles

Panelists: Erica Edwards-O’Neal, Esq., Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer, New York Road Runners;

Yolanda Friend, Managing Director - Americas Inclusion & Diversity, Accenture;

Indhira Arrington, Global Chief Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer, Ares Management

10:15 AM – 15-minute break

10:30 AM – Building Community: A Peer-to-Peer Learning Session

11:30 AM - Tanenbaum Partnerships

11:45 AM - Lunch

12:45 PM – Fireside Chat: Marcy Syms (President, Sy Syms Foundation and former CEO, Syms Corp) in conversation with Rev. Mark Fowler

1:45 PM – Pledge to Listen: A strategic planning session with Samar Ali, Founding President & CEO of Millions of Conversations and Co-Chair of the Vanderbilt Project on Unity & American Democracy

3:00 PM – 15-minute break

Optional: Chair yoga with Rev. Karen Bona, Health Care Program Manager, Tanenbaum

3:15 PM – Behind the Headlines: Religion and Inclusion in the News

Moderator: Julia Arce, Communications Senior Associate, Tanenbaum

Panelists: Deborah Caldwell, CEO, Religion News Foundation; Jennifer Miller, Author and Journalist; Dr.

Debbie Almontaser, Founder and CEO of Bridging Cultures Group Inc.

4 PM – Fireside Chat: Dr. Kenji Yoshino (Chief Justice Earl Warren Professor of Constitutional Law at NYU School of Law and Faculty Director of the Meltzer Center of Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging) in conversation with Rabbi Melinda Zalma (Manager of Programs, Tanenbaum)

4:45 PM – Closing Remarks

5 PM - Reception