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THE ALUMNI AND FRIENDS OF TAYLOR ALLDERDICE HIGH SCHOOL'S HALL OF FAME

Best-selling author, global business leader, international pediatric cardiologist, renowned world historian , and groundbreaking biomedical researcher are the 2024 honorees who will be celebrated on April 25, 2024.

Pittsburgh, PA, April 8, 2024 – On April 25, 2024, Allerdice High School will recognize distinguished alumni whose diverse accomplishments have enriched our world. This year, alumni Stewart O’Nan (1979), Aleta (Williams)Richards (1983), Craig Sable (1981), Howard Spodek (1959), and Robert Weinberg (1960) will join the Allerdice Hall of Fame.

- Stewart O’Nan, MFA (1979) is an award-winning author of multiple genres whose bestsellers have been translated into over 20 languages. He has published 18 novels, including a trilogy set in Pittsburgh (*Wish You Were Here; Emily Alone; Henry, Himself*), *Last Night at the Lobster*, and *A Prayer for the Dying*, which is slated to be produced as a film.
- Aleta (Williams) Richards, DBA, MBA (1983) is an executive vice president and Global Head of Specialty Films for Covestro. She began her career at Covestro (then part of Bayer) in 1990 and is acknowledged internationally for her leadership in business. She has served in multiple executive and senior roles in sales, marketing, product management, and human resources.
- Craig Sable, MD (1981), an international expert in pediatric echocardiography, telemedicine, and global cardiovascular disease, is Interim Chief of Cardiology at Children’s National Health System and Professor of Pediatrics at George Washington University School of Medicine. He has worked in Uganda for over 20 years to advance the diagnosis and treatment of children with heart disease.
- Howard Spodek, PhD, MA (1959) was professor emeritus of history, geography, and urban studies at Temple University and the Shrenik Lalbhai Chair Professor of Management of Social Organisations at Ahmedabad University in India. An esteemed world historian with expertise in India, he authored *The World’s History*, a textbook used by undergraduate and high school teachers worldwide.
- Robert Weinberg, PhD (1960) is the Daniel K. Ludwig Professor for Cancer Research, Director of the Ludwig Center for Molecular Oncology, and founding member of the Whitehead Institute of Biomedical Research at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. An internationally renowned researcher, he has studied the genetic basis of cancer for 40 years and discovered the first human oncogene.

The Hall of Fame ceremony will take place on Thursday, April 25, at 6:30 pm in the Allerdice auditorium. The event is free and open to the public; no reservations are required.

Taylor Allerdice High School, also referred to as “Pittsburgh Allerdice,” is a public high school located in the Squirrel Hill neighborhood of Pittsburgh, PA. The school opened in 1927 and is named for industrialist and Squirrel Hill resident Taylor Allerdice, who was a member of the city's first school board and president of the National Tube Company, which was a subsidiary of the U.S. Steel Corporation.

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