

Celebrating 25 Years of Literature

n November 16, 2009, the New York State Writers Institute celebrated its 25th Anniversary with special guests former Governor Mario Cuomo, who signed the legislation that created the Writers Institute, and Pulitzer Prize winning nonfiction author Doris Kearns Goodwin, who has visited the Institute to discuss several of her books.

Here are some photos of the events. Enjoy!



Guest Speakers: Mario Cuomo and Doris Kearns Goodwin

"The Writers Institute is a wonderful, wonderful demonstration of the good that government can do."

— Mario Cuomo

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Times Union reporter, Paul Grondahl, Mario Cuomo and George Hearst III, President of the UAlbany Foundation





University at Albany President George Philip, Doris Kearns Goodwin, Mario Cuomo, Writers Institute founder and Executive Director William Kennedy, Institute Director Donald Faulkner, and George Hearst



Doris Kearns Goodwin, William Kennedy and Donald Faulkner Doris Kearns Goodwin, William Kennedy and Mario Cuomo answer questions from the media.



Doris Kearns Goodwin and Tarky Lombardi, former NYS Senator and sponsor of the legislation creating the Institute



Doris Kearns Goodwin

Mario Cuomo



"In many ways I feel as if I have grown up as a writer with this Institute." — Doris Kearns Goodwin



 William Kennedy, Mario Cuomo, Doris Kearns Goodwin, and Donald Faulkner answer audience questions on writing and the many issues that face politicians today.





"I gave it some money and it turned into a miracle." — William Kennedy

