

## Nine new speakers deliver ideas and innovation at TEDxUNYP 2019

Prague's TEDx enthusiasts and TEDxUNYP supporters had to wait a little longer for this year's event, but it was worth the wait! Previously held in November of each year, the university TEDx event has now moved to its new mid-March slot for 2019 and all future events. TEDxUNYP 2019 did not disappoint, with nine new speakers – including chemists, poets, politicians, students, designers and millionaires – delivering timely topics that inspire thought and imagination.

TEDxUNYP is one of the only TEDx events in the Czech Republic that delivers its program exclusively in English. In addition to students of the University of New York in Prague, the event was also attended by students from other universities, TEDx fans, and the local community. In addition, this year's TEDxUNYP introduced a new format with a single ticket covering the entire event and an intermission reception hosted by Opus Café.

For this year's event, we were lucky enough to welcome some serious professional speakers and personalities such as the award-winning chemist and well-known Czech personality Michael Londesborough; Rafael Badziag, a best-selling and award-winning author and an experienced TEDx speaker; Linda Štucbartová, a journalist and women's empowerment leader; and Jakub Lepš, Deputy Mayor of Prague 11 and Party Leader for TOP 09. A full listing of the speakers and their topics can be found at www.tedxunyp.cz.

The event was moderated by Mitch Leffer, UNYP Student and part-time comedian. Mitch closed the event and announced that the next TEDxUNYP will have a new, larger venue for 2020 pending license renewal, and the tentative date of March 28th, 2020.

For more information about the University of New York in Prague, a higher educational institution offering study programs in English since 1998, please contact marketing@unyp.cz.

## About TEDx, x = independently organized event

In the spirit of ideas worth spreading, TEDx is a program of local, self-organized events that bring people together to share a TED-like experience. At a TEDx event, TED Talks video and live speakers combine to spark deep discussion and connection. These local, self-organized events are branded TEDx, where x = independently organized TED event. The TED Conference provides general guidance for the TEDx program, but individual TEDx events are self-organized. (Subject to certain rules and regulations.)

## **About TED**

TED is a nonprofit organization devoted to Ideas Worth Spreading, usually in the form of short, powerful talks (18 minutes or fewer) delivered by today's leading thinkers and doers. Many of these talks are given at TED's annual conference in Vancouver, British Columbia, and made available, free, on TED.com. TED speakers have included Bill Gates, Jane Goodall, Elizabeth Gilbert, Sir Richard Branson, Nandan Nilekani, Philippe Starck, Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Sal Khan and Daniel Kahneman.

TED's open and free initiatives for spreading ideas include TED.com, where new TED Talk videos are posted daily; the TED Translators Program, which provides subtitles and interactive transcripts as well as translations from thousands of volunteers worldwide; the educational initiative TED-Ed; the annual million-dollar TED Prize, which funds exceptional individuals with a "wish," or idea, to create change in the world; TEDx, which provides licenses to thousands of individuals and groups who host local, self-organized TED-style events around the world; and the TED Fellows program, which selects innovators from around the globe to amplify the impact of their remarkable projects and activities.

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