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JANUARY 31-FEBRUARY 2, 2024
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**DAILY SCHEDULES
AND MAP**

SCHEDULE FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

8:30–9:15 am

London: Dr. Michael Greger

Steinbeck: Richard Reeves with Dr. Khoi Le

Disney: Adam Nagourney with Kurt Bardella

Didion: Richard V. Sandler with Mary Hart

9:30–10:15 am

London: John Avlon, Kurt Bardella and Hugo Lowell with Margaret Hoover (moderator)

Steinbeck: Valerie Biden Owens and Lesley Stahl

Disney: Andrew McCarthy with Johan Sorensen

*Didion: Douglas Brinkley

10:30–11:15 am

London: Admiral William H. McRaven and General David H. Petraeus with Bret Stephens (moderator)

Steinbeck: Doris Kearns Goodwin and Lesley Stahl

Disney: Sam Wasson with Scott McGee

*Didion: David S. Ferriero and Justice Douglas Miller

11:30 am–12:15 pm

London: John Waters

Steinbeck: H.W. Brands, Douglas Brinkley and Karl Rove

Disney: James McBride with Zoe Lukov

Didion: Kashmir Hill, Mark Rozzo and Matt Tyrnauer

1–1:45 pm

London: Hon. Barbara Boxer, Jon Meacham and Valerie Biden Owens

Steinbeck: Dr. Michael Greger with Dr. Khoi Le

Disney: Billy Collins

Didion: Mark Rozzo with Scott McGee

2–2:45 pm

London: Jon “Robbie” Baitz and Doris Kearns Goodwin

*Steinbeck: John Avlon, Margaret Hoover and Bret Stephens with Robert Shrum (moderator)

*Disney: Nick Higgins, Misty Jones and Skye Patrick

Didion: Julia Whelan with Justice Douglas Miller

3–3:45 pm

London: David Wallace-Wells with Douglas Brinkley

Steinbeck: Dave Karger

Disney: Mark Rozzo and Matt Tyrnauer

Didion: Ada Ferrer with Dr. Elizabeth Cobbs

LUNCH

12:15 pm: Join us outside for a delicious boxed lunch of your choice.

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SCHEDULE FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

8:30–9:15 am

London: Admiral William H. McRaven and Jon Meacham

Steinbeck: Ali Wentworth with Kurt Bardella

Disney: Dr. Richard Haass with Robert Shrum

Didion: Kashmir Hill

9:30–10:15 am

London: Dr. Abraham Verghese with Dr. Khoi Le

*Steinbeck: Douglas Brinkley and Dr. Richard Haass

Disney: Ada Ferrer with Justice Douglas Miller

Didion: Scott McGee with Dave Karger

10:30 am–11:15 am

London: Congressman Adam Kinzinger with Hugo Lowell

Steinbeck: Jonathan Franzen and David Wallace-Wells

Disney: Linda Fairstein and Dave Karger with Justice Douglas Miller (moderator)

Didion: H.W. Brands

11:30 am–12:15 pm

London: David Gergen and Jon Meacham

Steinbeck: Chasten Buttigieg with Will Rollins

Disney: General David H. Petraeus and Julia Whelan

Didion: Billy Collins with Dr. Khoi Le

1–1:45 pm

London: Donna Brazile and Ali Wentworth

Steinbeck: David Gergen and Reince Priebus

Disney: Jon “Robbie” Baitz and Michael Schur

Didion: Andrew McCarthy with Julia Whelan

2–2:45 pm

London: Congressman Adam Kinzinger, Reince Priebus and Karl Rove with Ari Melber (moderator)

Steinbeck: Anne Applebaum, Ambassador Ivo Daalder and General David H. Petraeus with Bret Stephens (moderator)

Disney: James McBride and Dr. Abraham Verghese with Dr. Khoi Le (moderator)

*Didion: H.W. Brands and David S. Ferriero

3–3:45 pm

London: Sheila Johnson with Donna Brazile

*Steinbeck: Anand Giridharadas with Lt. Gov. Eleni Kounalakis

Disney: Michael Schur with Justice Douglas Miller

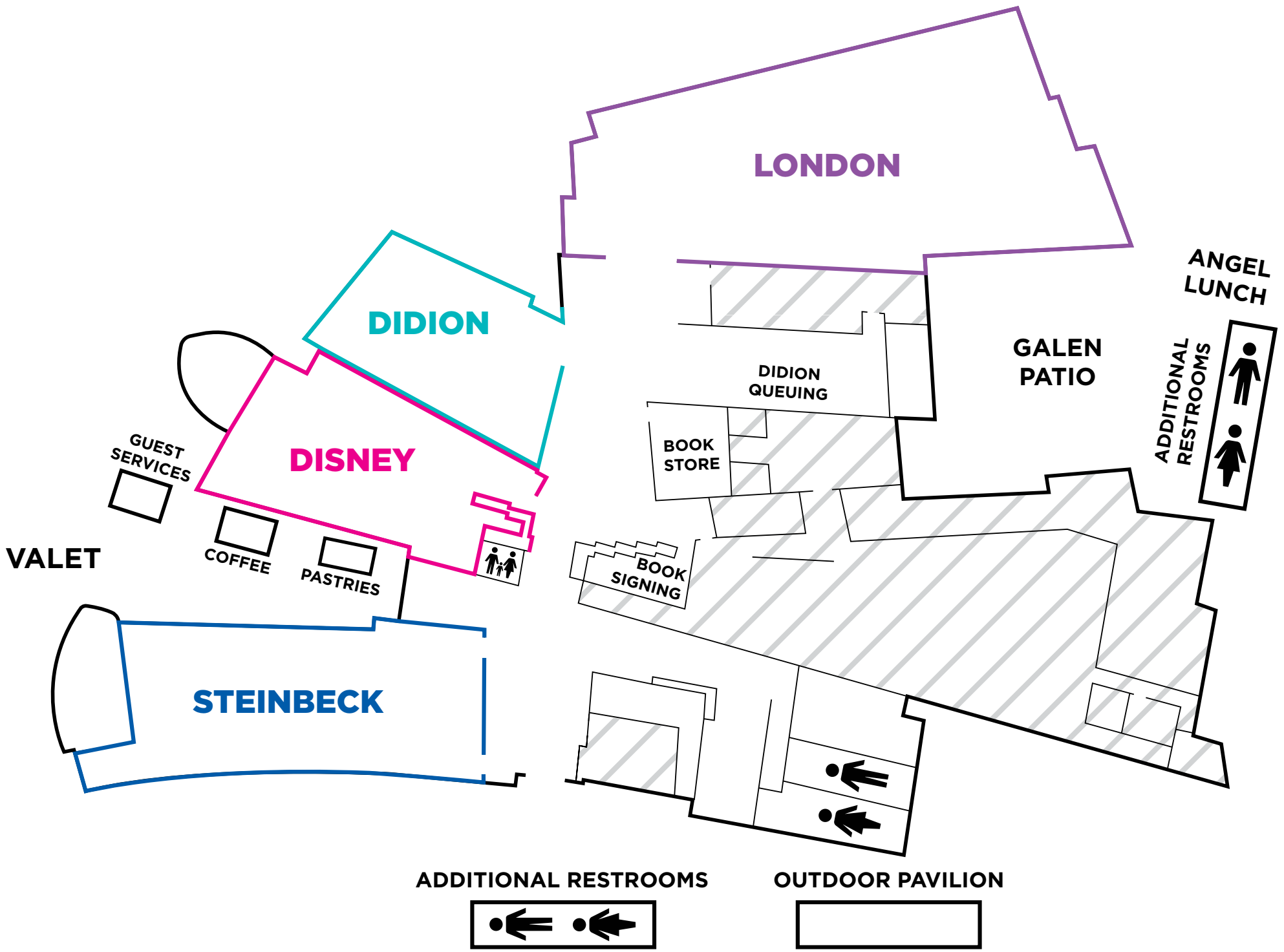
Didion: Adam Nagourney with Robert Shrum

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SCHEDULE FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

8:30–9:15 am

*London: Anne Applebaum and Ezra Klein

Steinbeck: Bret Stephens and Bari Weiss with Emma Blankstein

Disney: Matt Tyrnauer with Justice Douglas Miller

Didion: Matt Gutman with Dr. Khoi Le

9:30 am–10:15 am

London: Cassidy Hutchinson with Margaret Hoover

Steinbeck: Jonathan Franzen and Ari Melber

Disney: Hannah Rothschild with Elizabeth Sorensen

Didion: Matt Gutman with Zoe Lukov

10:30 am–11:15 am

London: Frank Gehry with Christopher Knight

Steinbeck: Anand Giridharadas with Ezra Klein

Disney: Elin Hilderbrand with Julia Whelan

Didion: Sam Wasson and Peter Bart

11:30 am–12:15 pm

London: Matt Gutman, Richard Reeves and Bret Stephens with Bari Weiss (moderator)

Steinbeck: Peter Bart, Albert Berger, Dave Karger and Scott McGee

*Disney: Edward Larson with Justice Douglas Miller

Didion: Dr. Elizabeth Cobbs with Dr. Khoi Le

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