

AT UNIVERSITY HALL



New School University
Greenwich Village



## A legacy that inspires and challenges

From her first meeting as a Trustee of the University in Exile in 1937, to her election to the New School Board of Trustees in 1941 where she remained active until her death in 1998, Dorothy H. Hirshon was a pivotal force in the growth and development of New School University.

Dorothy had a vast and sophisticated scope of interests and was involved in every facet of the University. As Chair of the Board of Trustees from 1980-1985, Dorothy, with characteristic determination, led the effort to rebuild the Graduate Faculty, and the tradition of a committed Board bears her imprint. She also headed the Parsons Board of Governors in the 1980s, strongly supported the establishment of Eugene Lang College, and, envisioning the University as a center for the arts, played a leadership role in the University's acquisition of Mannes

College of Music and the founding of the Actors Studio Drama School.

A vital part of New School University for sixty-one years, Dorothy was deeply committed to its defining attributes – academic excellence, an international orientation, the importance of civic duty, the significance of the arts for the human intellect and spirit, and its history of toleration, its passion for social justice and its commitment to freedom of expression.

Her continuous devotion to the University's educational, research and programming mission is a legacy that inspires and challenges us to reach even higher heights. The Trustees and friends of New School University, in expression of their profound affection and respect for Dorothy, raised the funds to create a lasting tribute – the Dorothy H. Hirshon Suite at University Hall – which is dedicated in honor and celebration of her extraordinary life.

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New School University is a thriving, unique university with eight schools, over 7,000 students pursuing undergraduate and graduate degrees in the liberal and performing arts and over 26,000 adult education students seeking professional and intellectual growth. Centered in New York City's Greenwich Village, New School University continues to provide an open learning environment where norms are challenged, critical and artistic thinking flourish, and students are provided with the knowledge, skills and character they need to make the world a better place.

## A world-class facility for students

University Hall is a world-class facility for students and faculty university-wide, as well as the public, that enables the University to enhance its educational, research and programming mission. The second floor performance space, gallery and Dorothy H. Hirshon suite create the opportunity for the expansion of the University's liberal arts, cultural and continuing education offerings, and for the introduction of new student and



public programming. The re-designed and renovated first floor has been transformed into a space for student activities and services where students from all eight schools can gather to exchange ideas, collaborate on projects, or just socialize between classes. It also will serve as the home to the University's Student Center and Admissions Office.