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This memorial lecture series is named for Homer Jones, who exemplified the highest qualities of leadership in economics and public policy. As research director and later senior vice president at the St. Louis Fed, Jones (1906-1986) played a major role in developing the Bank as a leader in monetary research and statistics. The first lecture was held in 1987.

For the lecture on Nov. 2, 2023, Isabel Schnabel, an economist and member of the executive board of the European Central Bank (ECB), shared her research on inflation and the factors that could determine the pace with which inflation returns to 2% in the “last mile” of monetary policy. Schnabel is responsible for market operations, research and statistics at the ECB. She is also a council member of the European Economic Association and research fellow at the Centre for Economic Policy Research and CESifo. St. Louis Fed Interim President and CEO Kathleen O’Neill Paese gave welcoming remarks.

Also: [Watch all videos from the 2023 lecture.](#)



Past Homer Jones Memorial Lectures

Videos include opening remarks. Past lectures are also featured in the St. Louis Fed's scholarly publication, *Review*.

- 2022, Eswar Prasad: "The Future of Money and its Implications for Society, Central Banks and the International Monetary System"
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- 2020, John Cochrane: "Strategic Review and Beyond: Rethinking Monetary Policy and Independence"
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- 2019, Dr. Carmen Reinhart: "A Short Tour of Global Risks"
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- 2018, Kristin Forbes: "How Have Shanghai, Saudi and Supply Chains Affected U.S. Inflation Dynamics?"
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- 2016, Lawrence H. Summers: "Secular Stagnation and Monetary Policy"
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- 2015, Athanasios Orphanides: "Fear of Liftoff: Uncertainty, Rules and Discretion in Monetary Policy Normalization"
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- 2014, Robert E. Lucas Jr.: "Liquidity: Meaning, Measurement, Management"
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- 2013, R. Glenn Hubbard: "A Roadmap for Financial Regulatory Reform"
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- 2012, Mohamed El-Erian: "Evolution, Impact and Limitations of Unusual Central Bank Policy Activism"
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- 2011, Axel Weber: "Challenges for monetary policy in EMU"

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