



## Ronan Farrow

AUTHOR · JOURNALIST

Pulitzer Prize-Winning Investigative Reporter and New York Times Bestselling Author



### About:

- **Gender:** Male
- **Nationality:** United States
- **Languages:** English
- **Travels from:** United States

### Engagement Types:

- Moderating and Emcee
- Speaking

### Topics:

- DEI (Diversity, Equity & Inclusion)
- Leadership & Management
- LGBTQ+ Inclusion
- Technology & AI

### Biography Highlights

- Contributing Writer, The New Yorker
- Documentary Filmmaker, HBO
- Rhodes Scholar and Former U.S. State Department Official

### Biography

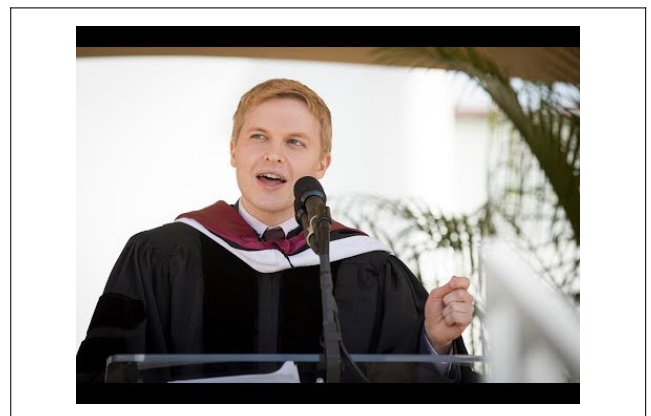
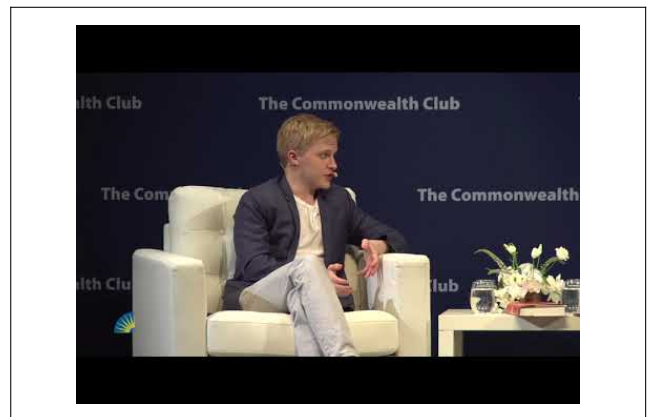
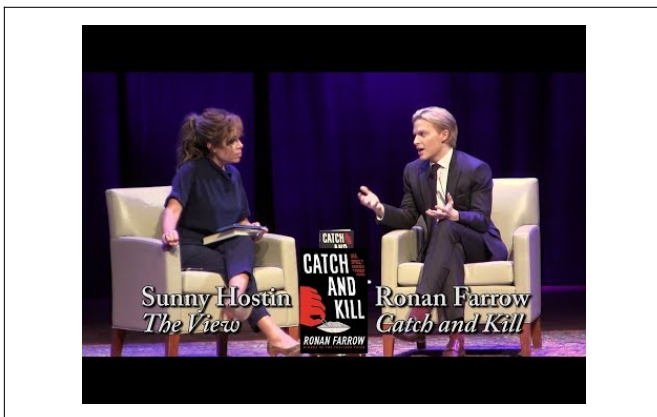
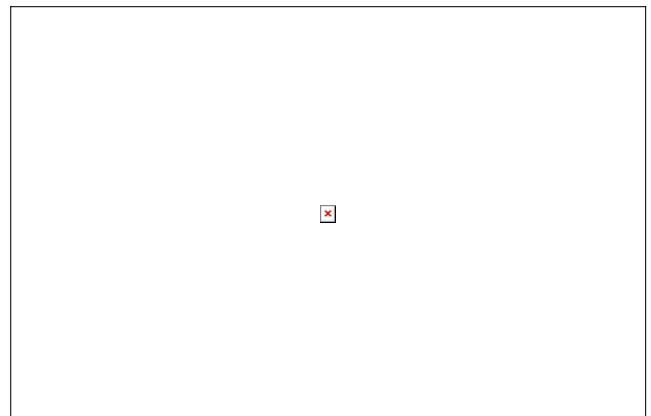
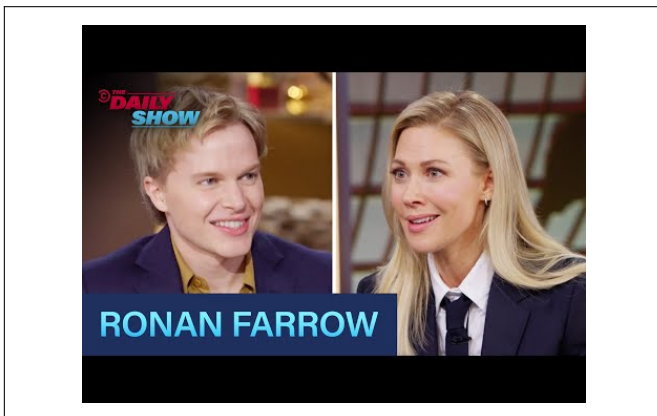
Ronan Farrow is a contributing writer to The New Yorker, where his investigative reporting has won the Pulitzer Prize for public service, the National Magazine Award, and the George Polk Award, among other honors. His stories for The New Yorker exposed the first sexual-assault allegations against the movie producer Harvey Weinstein and the first misconduct allegations against CBS executives, including then C.E.O. Leslie Moonves. He was also responsible for the first detailed accounts of payments made by the National Enquirer's parent company in order to suppress stories about Donald Trump during the 2016 Presidential campaign. Farrow's book, *Catch and Kill* is a New York Times bestseller with a companion Peabody Award-winning podcast which has topped the Apple Podcast charts. Farrow's latest documentary, *Surveilled*, was an instant hit.

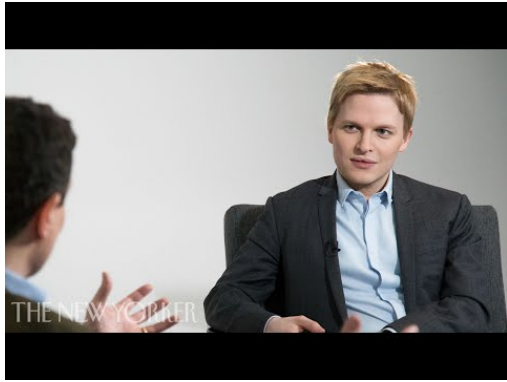
Before his career in journalism, Farrow served as a State Department official in Afghanistan and Pakistan. He is also the author of the New York Times bestseller *War on Peace: The End of Diplomacy and the Decline of*

American Influence.

Farrow has been named one of TIME Magazine's "100 Most Influential People" and one of GQ's "Men of the Year". His speeches have been selected among NPR's "Greatest Commencement Speeches Ever" and Huffington Post's "Top 10 Speeches of the Year".

## Videos





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## Ronan's Topics

### **Surveilled: Phones, Spyware, & the State**

Investigative journalist Ronan Farrow shares what he learned while creating *Surveilled*, his groundbreaking documentary on security, spyware, and technology. Exploring how technology is leveraged against political dissidents, activists, and everyday people, Farrow discusses the steps we can take to protect free expression for all.

**Available:** In person, Virtually

### **The Road to Truth That Leads to Power**

As a diplomat turned investigative journalist, Ronan Farrow knows better than anyone the gaps that can bubble up between reality and perception. Navigating the labyrinth of power, Farrow illuminates the hidden corridors of influence pervasive in popular narratives.

**Available:** In person, Virtually

### **Meeting the AI Kings of Tech**

Investigative journalist Ronan Farrow shares stories from his latest work in the inner workings of the tech world, revealing the faces behind the screens and the decisions shaping our digital universe. Farrow brings to light his rigorously reported stories of the modern tech kingpins, sharing insight into their impact on society and its implications for our collective future.

**Available:** In person, Virtually

### **Disinformation: The Fight for and Transformative Power of the Truth**

Pulitzer Prize-winning investigative journalist and New York Times bestselling author Ronan Farrow is singularly qualified to offer insights on the disinformation epidemic, including the driving factors as well as impacts on society, news, and politics. Farrow outlines the intense challenges facing our society and democracy when it comes to disinformation, and how all industries and as well as individuals can fight for the truth in this riveting analysis.

**Available:** In person, Virtually

### **The Sexual Abuse Reckoning**

Ronan Farrow has been one of the foremost reporters documenting the culture of silence and impunity around sexual misconduct, in Hollywood and beyond. As industry after industry attempts to confront long-unexamined demons in this area, Farrow offers a blueprint of the “dos” and “don’ts” of efforts to create accountability, and discusses the poignant personal stories of abuse, in his family and beyond, that led him to report so passionately on the topic.

**Available:** In person, Virtually

### **The Power of the Next Generation**

As a youth activist The New York Times once called “the youngest old guy in the room,” Ronan Farrow has years of experience bridging the divide between old school institutions – from the US government to major corporations – and a restless generation empowered by rapidly changing technology. Using examples and moving personal stories drawn from around the world, Farrow takes an affecting, rebellious look at the challenges of connecting with the next generation.

**Available:** In person, Virtually

### **Breaking the Story: The Fight for and Transformative Power of Hard Truths**

At a time of skepticism about the news media, Ronan Farrow has become one of the world’s most prominent investigative reporters. In an affecting, uncensored talk, he pulls back the curtain on the old-school, scrappy detective work that allowed him to break some of the biggest stories in recent memory, the obstacles that have forced him and other journalists to put everything on the line to fight for the truth, and the seismic cultural impact of his stories.

**Available:** In person, Virtually

### **Building the Modern Humanitarian and Global Citizen**

Too many organizations adopt splashy causes and fail to affect meaningful change – and too many people are left disillusioned and skeptical of their ability to make a difference. Ronan Farrow has witnessed the worst and the best of humanitarian and development efforts. He looks at how to confront the uncertainty and presents powerful illustrations of organizations and individuals revitalizing themselves as global citizens who are willing to take action on the world’s greatest challenges.

## Testimonials

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He sure did knock it out of the park...My goal with our meeting was that every attendee leave feeling hopeful, energized and inspired, and [his] keynote truly made that impact.

*Blackbaud*

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The whole afternoon and evening was terrific! The students were energized and engaged and the visit felt timely and important. We were thrilled so glad that so many took advantage of the opportunity to meet with Ronan in the afternoon. The evening keynote was equally excellent, and we had a sold-out house. Ronan is a lovely person and took several opportunities to express how much he enjoyed being on campus.

*Bowdoin College*

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Quick note to let you know how pleased we are at UB with Ronan's visit. We had a wonderful time with him - informal session was terrific; he was super nice & engaging during our reception; and the main event lived up to our Speakers Series qualifier: Distinguished! He is so darn smart, articulate, and insightful that - with so many amazing experiences to talk about - his stories and analyses become compelling. Wrap all that with a great personality, and you have Ronan - tough to top! For me, he was a great guest who accommodated our every need & wish. He was clearly invested in making our event the best it could be, which means being the best he could be - and he was!

*University of Buffalo, Distinguished Speakers Series*

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Last night was a tremendous success. No real words can describe the job that Ronan did... He was professional, polished, human, kind, warm, open... His event was the first one in thirteen years that I actually had to turn our wait list folks away.

*University of Washington*

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Can't say enough about Ronan's kindness — respectful behavior, personally attentive to people he met. He also added levity, sometimes, at just the right moment. Professional and grateful...

*Gonzaga University*

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Yeah you!!! That was the best speech we've had at our luncheon. Everyone was enthralled, you could have heard a pin drop. Thank you so much for coming and being a champion for this cause.

*The Family Place*

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He is very casual/laid back and such a wonderful person to connect with. He is like a human sponge, absorbing so much information from everyone around him. What a wonderful presenter you have with Ronan Farrow; I would have him back in our office any time to engage our young team. So many people after the fact were excited to speak with Ronan and meet him to delve further into questions raised. Thought provoking and thoroughly engaging for our team – thank you.

*Constellation Brands*

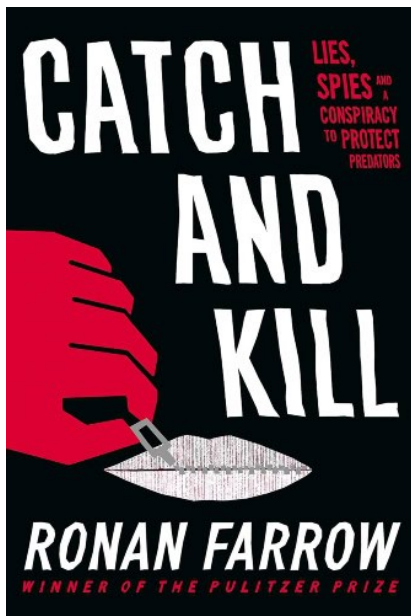
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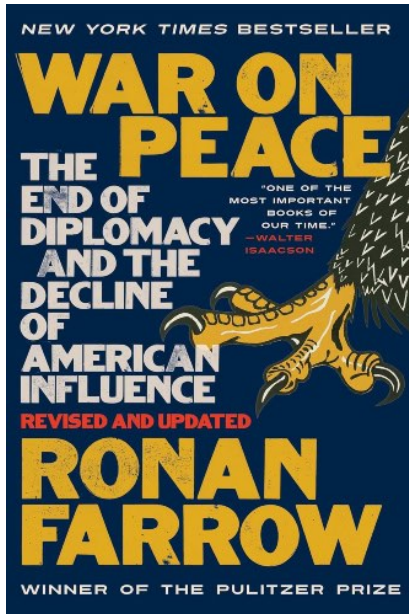
## Books



### **Catch and Kill: Lies, Spies, and a Conspiracy to Protect Predators**

In a dramatic account of violence and espionage, Pulitzer Prize-winning investigative reporter Ronan Farrow exposes serial abusers and a cabal of powerful interests hell-bent on covering up the truth, at any cost. In 2017, a routine network television investigation led Ronan Farrow to a story only whispered about: one of Hollywood's most powerful producers was a predator, protected by fear, wealth and a conspiracy of silence. As Farrow drew closer to the truth, shadowy operatives, from high-priced lawyers to elite war-hardened spies, mounted a secret campaign of intimidation, threatening his career, following his every move and weaponizing an account of abuse in his own family. All the while, Farrow and his producer faced a degree of resistance that could not be explained - until now. And a trail of clues revealed corruption and cover-ups from Hollywood, to Washington and beyond. This is the untold story of the tactics of surveillance and intimidation deployed by wealthy and connected men to threaten journalists, evade accountability and silence victims of abuse - and it's the story of the women who risked everything to expose the truth and spark a global movement.

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## War on Peace: The End of Diplomacy and the Decline of American Influence

US foreign policy is undergoing a dire transformation, forever changing America's place in the world. Institutions of diplomacy and development are bleeding out after deep budget cuts; the diplomats who make America's deals and protect its citizens around the world are walking out in droves. Offices across the State Department sit empty, while abroad the military-industrial complex has assumed the work once undertaken by peacemakers. We're becoming a nation that shoots first and asks questions later. In an astonishing journey from the corridors of power in Washington, DC, to some of the most remote and dangerous places on earth-Afghanistan, Somalia, and North Korea among them-acclaimed investigative journalist Ronan Farrow illuminates one of the most consequential and poorly understood changes in American history. His firsthand experience as a former State Department official affords a personal look at some of the last standard bearers of traditional statecraft, including Richard Holbrooke, who made peace in Bosnia and died while trying to do so in Afghanistan. Drawing on recently unearthed documents, and richly informed by rare interviews with whistle-blowers, a warlord, and policymakers-including every living former secretary of state from Henry Kissinger to Hillary Clinton to Rex Tillerson-War on Peace makes a powerful case for an endangered profession. Diplomacy, Farrow argues, has declined after decades of political cowardice, shortsightedness, and outright malice-but it may just offer America a way out of a world at war.

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