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Ann Kirschner is a distinguished author, educator, and entrepreneur. She is Special Advisor to the Chancellor of The City University of New York, focused on strategic partnerships and tech initiatives. She was formerly Dean of Macaulay Honors College of The City University of New York, a leader in public higher education. The College's young alumni include Rhodes Scholars as well as rapidly advancing scientists, scholars, and artists.

Her career spans an unusual range of experiences and organizations. As an entrepreneur in media and technology, she has led start-up teams that shifted business models and technologies. She launched NFL SUNDAY TICKET for the National Football League and created NFL.COM. A pioneer in online education, she founded FATHOM in partnership with Columbia University, London School of Economics, and other leading institutions.

Her first book, *Sala's Gift*, (Simon and Schuster, 2006), tells the story of her mother's wartime rescue of letters from Nazi labor camps, and has been published in seven languages. The letters are the subject of an international traveling exhibit, a theatrical play, and a forthcoming documentary film. Her latest book, *Lady at the OK Corral: the True Story of Josephine Marcus Earp* (HarperCollins, 2013) is a selection of the History Book Club and an Editor's Choice of the *New York Times Book Review*.

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