MLA: Citing a Lecture or Public Address

Example Citation:

Explanation of Formatting
Include information in the following order:

Speaker
- Write the speaker’s Last Name, followed by a comma.
- Then write the speaker’s first name.
- If the speaker has included their middle name, place it directly after the first name.
- If the speaker uses initials instead of a first and/or middle name, include those instead. Ensure each initial is followed by a period.
- End the entry with a period.

Title of Speech
- Place the name of the lecture, address, or speech in quotations.
- Capitalize the first letter of every word of the title, excluding conjunctions/fanboys (for, and, nor, but, or, yet, so), prepositions (with, without, after, to, along, etc.), and articles (a, an).
- Place a period within the quotation marks after listing the title.

Title of Source
- List the name of the source where the speech was found in italics.
- Capitalize the first letter of every word as appropriate.
- End the entry with a comma.

Publication Date
- Provide the date the speech was published in day month year format.
- End the entry with a comma.

URL
- Provide the URL where the speech was found.
- End with a period.