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# THE NEW SCHOOL PUBLIC PROGRAMS: POLITICS & CURRENT AFFAIRS Fall 2007

**NEW YORK, August 10, 2007**—The New School, including Milano The New School for Management and Urban Policy, the Wolfson Center for National Affairs, and the Graduate Program in International Affairs present a range of programs addressing topical issues of New York City, national and international affairs.

Among the highlights are **Big Ideas**, **Big Gifts**, **Big Impact**: A **Conversation with Today's Philanthropists** (Sept. 23), featuring Susan Buffett and David Rockefeller Jr.; **The Abortion Controversies** (Oct. 23), featuring NARAL Pro-Choice America president Nancy Keenan and Dan Maguire, author of *Sacred Rights* and a professor of moral theological ethics at Marquette University; **Religion**, **Politics**, **and the 2008 Election** (Nov. 1), featuring Wilfred McClay, co-author of *Religion Returns to the Public Square* and Jacques Berlinerblau, author of *The Secular Bible*: *Why Nonbelievers Must Take Religion Seriously*; and **The Intelligence Community** (Dec. 4), featuring Margaret Henoch, formerly of the Foreign Service and the CIA, Paul Redmond, former head of counterintelligence at the CIA; Tyler Drumheller, former director of covert operations for the CIA in Europe and author of *On the Brink*; and Bob Kerrey, president of The New School, former member of the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Intelligence and a member of the 9/11 Commission.

The New School will also host several important conferences, including the **2007 International Conference of the Human Development and Capability Association** (Sept. 17-20), which will address the spread of ideas and their social impact through academia, government policies, and social movements, and features philosophers Kwame Anthony Appiah of Princeton University and Martha Nussbaum of the University of Chicago, and economist Amartya Sen of Harvard University. The school will also present **Good Food Now: Just Food's Regional Summit on Food, Farms, and Community Health** (Dec. 1), a daylong conference of workshops and roundtables focused on some of today's most pressing issues, including urban agriculture, farmland preservation, and innovative models for strengthening the link between farmers and consumers.

**Milano The New School for Management and Urban Policy** trains leaders for the nonprofit, public, and private sectors with a measurable difference. Blending theory with hands-on practice, and progressive thinking with social commitment, Milano engages its students in local and global issues affecting organizations and urban communities, from New York City to around the world. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.milano.newschool.edu">www.milano.newschool.edu</a>.

**The Graduate Program in International Affairs at The New School** combines interdisciplinary study with problem-solving skills. More than 300 students from 62 countries work directly with international practitioners and scholars. The program focuses on global economics, poverty and development, cities and urbanization, international institutions, NGOs, human rights, conflict and security, and media and culture. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.ia.newschool.edu">www.ia.newschool.edu</a>.

EDITOR'S NOTE: A FULL CALENDAR OF EVENTS IS ATTACHED. All public programs are subject to change.

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#### FARMERS SPEAK OUT: THE GLOBAL STRUGGLE FOR FOOD SOVEREIGNTY

Monday, September 10, 5:30 p.m.

The New School, Theresa Lang Community and Student Center, 55 West 13th Street, 2nd floor.

Admission: Free. Reservations are required; visit www.worldhungeryear.org.

WHY (World Hunger Year) and The New School present a panel discussion featuring farm leaders from Latin America. They will give an overview of the movement for food sovereignty that is gaining momentum across the Americas and around the world. Food sovereignty is the right of people to determine their own food policies; it means good food for all and fairness for those who produce it. Invited speakers include farmers from Ecuador, Guatemala, Venezuela, and Bolivia. Each will speak about their struggles for land reform and fair trade and lead a discussion on how to build solidarity and action across borders. Introductory remarks will be given by **Bill Ayres**, executive director of WHY, and **William Kramer**, adjunct professor and researcher in Globalization and Labor Studies at Rutgers University. A reception will follow. This event is part of an ongoing initiative at WHY to facilitate dialogue farmers and food system advocates in the U.S. and internationally.

## 2007 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND CAPABILITY ASSOCIATION: IDEAS CHANGING HISTORY

Monday, September 17, 12:00-5:00 p.m.; Tuesday, September 18, 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday, September 19-20, 8:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

The New School, Theresa Lang Community and Student Center, 55 West 13th Street, 2nd floor.

Admission: \$160 for students and professionals with an annual income below \$20,000; \$265 for all other professionals is. For more information, visit www.capabilityapproach.com or email HDCA2007@newschool.edu.

The New School's Graduate Program in International Affairs is hosting the annual conference of the Human Development and Capability Association, bringing together scholars, development workers, and activists from around the world. This year, the conference addresses the spread of ideas and their social impact through three channels: academia, government policies, and social movements. Speakers include **Kwame Anthony Appiah**, Laurance S. Rockefeller University Professor of Philosophy and the University Center for Human Values, Princeton University; **Diane Elson**, Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Essex, formerly with the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM); **Sir Richard Jolly**, Honorary Professor and Research Associate of the Institute of Development Studies at the University of Sussex; **Martha Nussbaum**, Ernst Freund Distinguished Service Professor of Law and Ethics, University of Chicago Law School; **Hilary Putnam**, Cogan University Professor Emeritus in the Department of Philosophy, Harvard University; and **Amartya Sen**, Thomas W. Lamont University Professor, Department of Economics, Harvard University.

### BIG IDEAS, BIG GIFTS, BIG IMPACT: A CONVERSATION WITH TODAY'S PHILANTHROPISTS

Sunday, September 23, 5:00 p.m.

Tishman Auditorium, 66 West 12th Street.

Admission for this event is free, but you must reserve a seat. Check on www.newschool.edu for reservation information.

Milano The New School for Management and Urban Policy will host the third in a series of events that bring together some of today's most important philanthropists. Panelists including **Susan Buffett**, daughter of Warren Buffett and chair of the Susan A. Buffett Foundation, and **David Rockefeller**, **Jr.**, an environmentally active member of the Rockefeller family, will discuss their philanthropic endeavors.

#### THE 2007 NATHAN W. LEVIN LECTURE: MANUEL CASTELLS

Friday, September 28, 6:00 p.m.

The New School, Theresa Lang Community and Student Center, 55 West 13th Street, 2nd floor.

Admission is free, but you must reserve a seat. RSVP at www.milano.newschool.edu.

Milano The New School for Management and Urban Policy presents Manuel Castells, the 2007 Nathan W. Levin Distinguished Lecturer on Public Policy at Milano. The Levin Lecture was established in 1989 in honor of the late Nathan

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Levin, a trustee and acting president of The New School, to explore the issues of race, poverty, and public policy. Castells is the Wallis Annenberg Chair Professor of Communication Technology and Society at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles; the Marvin and Joanne Grossman Distinguished Visiting Professor of Technology and Society at MIT; and Research Professor of the Open University of Catalonia in Barcelona. His trilogy *The Information Age: Economy, Society, and Culture* (Blackwell, 1996–2003), has been translated into 22 languages. Castells has served as a member of the United Nations Secretary General's Advisory Committee on Information Technology and the President of South Africa's International Advisory Committee on Technology and Development.

#### **BROOKLYN MATTERS**

Tuesday, October 9, 7:00 p.m.

The New School, Theresa Lang Community and Student Center, 55 West 13th Street, 2nd floor.

Admission: \$5; free to New School students, faculty, staff, and alumni with ID.

The Wolfson Center for National Affairs at The New School presents *Brooklyn Matters*, an insightful documentary that sheds light on one of the more controversial urban developments of our time, the Atlantic Yards project in Brooklyn. Critics argue that if built, it would be the densest development in the United States and set urban renewal back decades. Is this the case? The issues raised in this film are relevant for cities everywhere as development plans pit real estate developers against local individuals and communities. Moderated by **Linda Lees**, director, Creative Cities International; panelists include **Candace Carponter**, attorney; **Isabel Hill**, filmmaker; **Francis Morrone**, architectural critic; and **Ronald Schiffman**, director of the Pratt Institute Center for Community and Environmental Development.

# DOUBLETHINKING OUR WAY TO SCIENTIFIC LEGITIMACY: THE DESSICATION OF HUMAN EXPERIENCE Friday, October 12, 8:00 p.m.

The New School, Theresa Lang Community and Student Center, 55 West 13th Street, 2nd floor.

Admission: Free; no reservations required. Seating is first come, first served.

The National Psychological Association for Psychoanalysis and The New School for General Studies, Department of Social Sciences, presents the Oscar Sternbach Memorial Award to **Irwin Z. Hoffman**, PhD, a faculty member and supervising analyst at the Chicago Center for Psychoanalysis, and a lecturer in psychiatry at the University of Illinois College of Medicine. This is the first of a two-part series concluding on November 2.

#### **WORKING MOMS**

Tuesday, October 16, 7:00 p.m.

The New School, Theresa Lang Community and Student Center, 55 West 13th Street, 2nd floor.

Admission: \$8; free to New School students, faculty, staff, and alumni with ID.

The Wolfson Center for National Affairs at The New School presents a panel discussion exploring the current trend of news stories depicting working mothers as either leaving the career track or dreaming of doing so— a media trend that is framing the national discourse on motherhood and work in United States. Do these stories rely too heavily on anecdotal evidence while ignoring statistics and demographics? Moderated by **E.J. Graff**, senior researcher, Schuster Institute for Investigative Journalism, Brandeis University, the panel includes **Joan Williams**, Distinguished Professor of Law, University of California, Hastings College of the Law, and author of *Unbending Gender: Why Family and Work Conflict and What to Do About It*; **Heather Boushey**, senior economist, Center for Economic and Policy Research, and co-author of *Hardships in America and The Real Story of Working Families*; **Ellen Bravo**, author of *Taking On the Big Boys: Why Feminism Is Good for Families* and *Business and the Nation*; and **Linda Hirshman**, lawyer, professor emeritus Brandeis University and author of *Hard Bargains*: *The Politics of Sex*.

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#### THE ABORTION CONTROVERSIES

Tuesday, October 23, 7:00 p.m.

The New School, Wollman Hall, 65 West 11th Street, 5th floor (enter at 66 West 12th Street).

Admission: \$8; free to New School students, faculty, staff, and alumni with ID.

The Wolfson Center for National Affairs at The New School presents a panel discussion focusing on the Supreme Court's recent decision in *Gonzalez v. Carhart*, which has thrown the status of *Roe v. Wade* into doubt and suggests that the controversy may be reaching a new level of intensity. Panelists include **Nancy Keenan**, president of NARAL Pro-Choice America, and **Dan Maguire**, professor of moral theological ethics, Marquette University, and author of *Sacred Rights*, with others to be announced.

### FRIDAYS@ONE: ROBERTA BRANDES GRATZ ON JANE JACOBS

Friday, October 26, 1:00 p.m.

The New School, Wollman Hall, 65 West 11th Street, 5th floor (enter at 66 West 12th Street).

Admission: Free; seating is limited. Reservations required; call 212.229.5682 or email irp@newschool.edu.

The Institute for Retired Professionals at The New School presents a lecture by Roberta Brandes Gratz, of the New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission and Municipal Art Society, who co-founded the Center for the Living City at Purchase College with Jane Jacobs and other noted urbanists. She discusses Jacobs' role in preserving New York neighborhoods and her influence on urban planning in the United States.

#### **RELIGION, POLITICS, AND THE 2008 ELECTION**

Thursday, November 1, 7:00 p.m.

The New School, Wollman Hall, 65 West 11th Street, 5th floor (enter at 66 West 12th Street).

Admission: \$8; free to New School students, faculty, staff, and alumni with ID.

The Wolfson Center for National Affairs at The New School presents a conversation with **Wilfred McClay**, senior fellow of the Ethics and Public Policy Center at the University of Tennessee and co-author of *Religion Returns to the Public Square*, and **Jacques Berlinerblau**, an associate professor at the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service and author of *The Secular Bible: Why Nonbelievers Must Take Religion Seriously*. With the 2008 election season approaching, two of America's more thoughtful observers of the intersection of politics and religion comment on how religion is likely to influence segments of the electorate, ranging from white evangelicals to liberal Catholics to militant secularists, with respect to issues such as abortion, stem-cell research, gay marriage, climate change, and the war in Iraq.

#### **PSYCHOANALYSIS BETWEEN SCIENCE AND ART:**

THE NEUROSCIENCE OF EMOTIONS: IMPLICATIONS FOR PSYCHIATRY AND EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING Friday, November 2, 8:00 p.m.

The New School, Theresa Lang Community and Student Center, 55 West 13th Street, 2nd floor.

Admission: Free; no reservations required. Seating is first come, first served.

The National Psychological Association for Psychoanalysis and The New School for General Studies Department of Social Sciences presents the second of a two-part series. **Jaak Panksepp**, PhD, Distinguished Research Professor of Psychobiology, emeritus, at Bowling Green University and Head of Affective Neuroscience Research, Chicago Institute for Neurosurgery and Falk Center for Molecular Therapeutics, discusses how pro-social minds are constructed and the implications for understanding and treating disorders like autism and ADHD.

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### ARMENIAN CULTURE AND IDENTITY: ON PEOPLE, LAND, AND MONUMENTS

Friday, November 9, 8:00 p.m.

The New School, Wollman Hall, 65 West 11th Street, 5th floor (enter at 66 West 12th Street).

Admission: Free; no reservations required. Seating is first come, first served.

The New School presents a panel discussion focusing on contemporary and recently studied issues of Armenian identity, including how Armenian cultural markers are negotiated and how politics, society, history and culture have intertwined to point to an Armenian identity in flux. The panel will be moderated by **Sossi Essajanian**, a student in the MA Anthropology program at The New School for Social Research, with others to be announced.

## GOOD FOOD NOW: JUST FOOD'S REGIONAL SUMMIT ON FOOD, FARMS, AND COMMUNITY HEALTH AT THE NEW SCHOOL Saturday, December 1, 9:00 a.m.

The New School, Tishman Auditorium, 66 West 12th Street.

Admission: \$75 sponsor; \$50 basic; \$35 student.

Please visit www.justfood.org in the coming months for more information.

Just Food, in partnership the New School and the Northeast Sustainable Agriculture Working Group's 15th Annual Resource Harvest, is holding its 2007 meeting on Farms and Food. This daylong conference of workshops and roundtables brings together farmers, consumers, nutritionists, community gardeners, and educators from across the region to share information, increase awareness of food and agricultural policies, and look for solutions to problems pertaining to the regional food system. The summit focuses on some of today's most pressing issues, including urban agriculture, farmland preservation, and innovative models for strengthening the link between farmers and consumers, as well as providing channels for getting involved through ongoing working groups.

#### THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY

Tuesday, December 4, 4:00 p.m.

The New School, Theresa Lang Community and Student Center, 55 West 13th Street, 2nd floor.

Admission: Free; seating is limited. Reservations required; email wolfsoncenter@newschool.edu.

Since the end of the Cold War, and particularly since 9/11, there has been a concerted effort to assess and, in some instances, rethink the policy-making roles of U.S. intelligence-gathering agencies. Is there an "intelligence community" beyond the specific agencies? What do we really know about the gathering, production, and dissemination of intelligence and counterintelligence? What is the role of congressional oversight, and how do politicization and de-politicization come into play? The Wolfson Center for National Affairs at The New School presents a panel discussion moderated by **Margaret Henoch**, formerly of the Foreign Service and the CIA, and featuring **Paul Redmond**, former head of counterintelligence at the CIA; **Tyler Drumheller**, former director of covert operations for the CIA in Europe and author of *On the Brink*; and **Bob Kerrey**, president of The New School, former member of the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Intelligence and a member of the 9/11 Commission.