



FUNDERS' COMMITTEE FOR CIVIC PARTICIPATION

Reassessing the Political Moment Strategies for the Road Ahead

FCCP's 2009 Annual Winter Convening

December 7-9, 2009

The Pew Charitable Trusts | Washington, DC

Agenda

Monday, December 7th

W Hotel | 515 15th St. NW * Washington, DC 20004 * 202.661.2400

6:00 - 8:30pm

Opening Dinner

Welcoming Remarks:

- Allison Barlow, FCCP Co-Chair

Introduction:

- Thomasina Williams, Program Officer, Democracy, Rights and Justice Program, Ford Foundation

Keynote Speaker:

- Lani Guinier, Bennet Boskey Professor of Law, Harvard Law School, and author of *The Miners Canary: Enlisting Race, Resisting Power, Transforming Democracy*

Tuesday, December 8th

Pew Charitable Trusts | 901 E Street NW * Washington, DC 20004 * 202.552.2000

8:00 – 8:30am

Breakfast

8:30 – 9:00am

Welcome, Overview & Introductions:

- Michael Caudell-Feagan, Deputy Director, Pew Center on the States, and FCCP Co-chair
- Deb Ross, Executive Director, FCCP

9:00 – 10:15am

Lessons from 2008: Pointing the Way Forward

Moderator:

- Geri Mannion, Program Director, U.S. Democracy and the Special Opportunities Fund, Carnegie Corporation of New York

Speakers:

- Tom Novick, Executive Vice President, M+R Strategic Services
- Todd Rogers, Executive Director, Analyst Institute (invited)

- Melissa Michelson, Visiting Faculty Fellow, Stanford University Research Institute for Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity

10:15 – 10:30am	Break
10:30 – 12:00pm	<p>Strategies for the Road Ahead: Mobilizing on the Ground in 2010</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adrienne Shropshire, Senior Program Officer, New World Foundation <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lisa Abbott, Director of Organizing and Leadership Development, Kentuckians for the Commonwealth • Ryan Friedrichs, Executive Director, State Voices • Gihan Perera, Executive Director, Miami Workers Center • Karla Zombro, Training Director, California Alliance
12:00 – 1:00pm	Lunch
1:00 – 1:30pm	<p>Spotlight on Campaign Finance Reform and an</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dick Durbin, U.S. Senator from Illinois (Invited)
1:30 – 2:00pm	<p>Innovative Funding Strategy: the Joyce Foundation and the Midwest Democracy Network</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Larry Hansen, Vice President, Joyce Foundation
2:00 – 2:15pm	Break
2:15 - 3:15pm	<p>Delving Deeper into Democracy Issues I (concurrent sessions)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparing for Redistricting • Election Administration Issues at the Forefront • Innovations in Technology
3:15 – 4:05pm	<p>2008 An Aberration? The Plight of the Drop-Off Voter and Insights from November 2009</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Antha Williams, Advocacy Executive, Atlantic Philanthropies (invited) <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celinda Lake, President, Lake Research (invited) • Bill McInturff, Partner and Co-Founder, Public Opinion Strategies (invited)
4:05 - 5:10pm	<p>Delving Deeper into Democracy Issues II (concurrent sessions)</p> <p>Leadership Development</p> <p>Youth Civic Engagement</p>
5:10 - 6:00 pm	<p>Voting Rights under the Obama Administration</p> <p>Introduction:</p>

- Cristobal Josh Alex, Program Officer, Democracy and Power Fund, Open Society Institute

Keynote Speaker:

- Thomas E. Perez, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice (invited)

6:15 – 7:30pm **Reception @ Zola Restaurant | 800 F Street, NW * Washington, DC**

Wednesday, December 9th

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8:30 – 9:00am Breakfast

9:00 – 10:00am **FCCP Membership Meeting**

10:00 - 10:15am Break

10:15 - 12:15pm **Closing Keynote & Plenary**

Introduction and Moderator:

- Latonya Slack, Senior Program Officer, California Democracy, James Irvine Foundation

Keynote Speaker:

- Drew Westen, Author, *The Political Brain*

Plenary Speakers:

- Tarso Ramos, Executive Director, Political Research Associates
- Pramila Jayapal, Executive Director, One America (invited)
- Karen Nussbaum, Executive Director, Working America

12:15-12:30 pm Close