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## Commemorating the Unforgettable: Tiananmen 20 Years On

Tuesday, June 2, 2009  
National Endowment for Democracy

- 9:00 am**      **Welcome**  
Barbara Haig, Vice President, National Endowment for Democracy  
Harry Wu, Executive Director, Laogai Research Foundation
- 9:15 am**      **Refinement of Repression: How Tiananmen Square Has Shaped the Chinese Media**  
Moderator: Tienchi Martin-Liao  
Speakers: Gordon Chang, Lucie Morillon, Ethan Gutmann, Jonathan Mirsky
- 11:00 am**    **From Tiananmen Square to Charter 08: The Potential for Political Reform in China Today**  
Moderator: Louisa Chiang  
Speakers: David Dahai Yu, Xu Wenli, William Schulz, Dan Blumenthal, Louisa Greve
- 1:00 pm**      **Lunch**

**On Display:** “The Massacre Map” by Ding Zilin & the Tiananmen Mothers, Ellen Bork, Tian Jian, and Philip Chalk and a special photo exhibit consisting of selected works of David and Peter Turnley, prize-winning photojournalists and authors of several major photography volumes, including *Beijing Spring*. Their photographic documentation of the Tiananmen Square Massacre in 1989 appeared in newspapers all over the world.

### Related Events:

**Tonight: Tuesday, June 2, 5:00 – 7:00 pm:** You are cordially invited to a **reception at the Laogai Museum** to mark the opening of a special exhibit, “Commemorating the Unforgettable: Tiananmen 20 Years On.”  
Location: the Laogai Museum, 1109 M Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005.

**Thursday, June 4, at 10:30 am:** The Laogai Research Foundation sponsors a **press conference on Capitol Hill**, featuring Yu Zhijian, Yu Dongyue and Lu Decheng—three men imprisoned for defacing Mao’s portrait during the Tiananmen protests, who have recently been granted asylum in the US. **Photos from prize-winning photographers David and Peter Turnley** will be on display in the foyer of the Rayburn building throughout the day. The press conference and exhibition are free and open to the public. There is no need to RSVP.  
Location: Rayburn House Office Building Foyer, 50 Independence Ave, SW, Washington, DC 20024.

*About the moderators:*

**Tienchi Martin-Liao** is Director of the Laogai Research Foundation, Deputy Publisher at the China Information Center, and a Board member of the Independent Chinese PEN Center. She was born in mainland China and grew up in Taiwan, before relocating to Germany. Prior to joining the Laogai Research Foundation, Ms. Martin-Liao headed the Richard-Wilhelm Research Center for Translation at Ruhr University in Bochum, Germany and served as the editor-in-chief of the series ARCUS-CHINATEXTE. She has translated a number of major works and regularly contributes analytical articles and commentary on China issues. Ms. Martin-Liao is also currently the editor of the Laogai Research Foundation's *Black Series*, a collection of memoirs by Laogai survivors.

**Louisa Chiang** is Program Officer for China at the National Endowment for Democracy. She received her Master's in Public Policy at the Goldman School of Public Policy at UC Berkeley. She has worked on legal aid, land rights, worker rights, intellectual property rights, and public health issues in China, as well as working and writing extensively on media, publishing, censorship and translation issues. A former VISTA volunteer, Louisa was most recently a Foreign Service Officer with the U.S. Department of Commerce at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing and at the Baltimore office.

*About the speakers:*

**Gordon Chang** is the author of *Nuclear Showdown: North Korea Takes On the World* (2006) and *The Coming Collapse of China* (2001). He lived and worked in China and Hong Kong for almost two decades, most recently in Shanghai, as Counsel to the American law firm Paul Weiss and earlier in Hong Kong as Partner in the international law firm Baker & McKenzie. His writings on China and North Korea have appeared in *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, the *Far Eastern Economic Review*, the *International Herald Tribune*, *Commentary*, *The Weekly Standard*, *Forbes*, and *Barron's*.

**Lucie Morillon** joined the international press freedom organization Reporters Without Borders in 2000 as a Researcher for the European and Former-USSR Desk, at a time when Milosevic's Serbia was cracking down on journalists. She went on to serve as international coordinator for the organization, and is now the director of its Washington office where she supervises press relations so as to ensure that the American media give more coverage to press freedom abuses abroad and informs political decision-makers on censorship issues. She has been featured on CNN, ABC News, Fox News, Al Jazeera, and NBC.

**Ethan Gutmann** is adjunct fellow for the Foundation for Defense of Democracies. Formerly a Senior Counselor at APCO China and a Visiting Fellow at Project for the New American Century, Gutmann has also written on security issues, the growth of Chinese nationalism, and the US business scene in Beijing for the *Asian Wall Street Journal*, *Investor's Business Daily*, *The Weekly Standard*, and other publications. Gutmann's book, *Losing the New China* (2004) received several awards, including the "Spirit of Tiananmen" (2005), the "Chan's Journalism Award" for outstanding writing (2005), and the *New York Sun's* "Best Book of 2004."

**Jonathan Mirsky** is an independent journalist and historian based in London. Born in New York in 1932 and educated at Columbia, Cambridge University, and the University of Pennsylvania, Mirsky has taught Chinese and Vietnamese history, comparative literature, and Chinese at Cambridge University, the University of Pennsylvania, and Dartmouth. He became a journalist in 1974 when he moved to England. During his career as a journalist he has accompanied prime ministers and foreign secretaries to Beijing, interviewed the Dalai Lama, Zhou Enlai, and Deng Xiaoping; and during long residence and travel in Asia, he visited Tibet six times. In 1990 Mirsky was named British Newspapers' International Journalist of the Year for his coverage of the Tiananmen uprising.

**David Dahai Yu** grew up in Tianjin and graduated from Beijing University. As a college student, he took part in the competitive local elections of 1980. He co-founded the Chinese Economists Society (USA) and served as its first president (1985-86). He earned a Ph.D. in Economics from Princeton University and taught at several U.S. colleges. He has been affiliated with *Beijing Spring* and its predecessor *China Spring* since 1989.

**Xu Wenli** is a senior fellow at the Watson Institute at Brown University. One of China's most recognized pro-democracy advocates, Mr. Xu spent 16 years in prison for his activities as a dissident. He was a leader in the Democracy Wall movement from 1979 to 1981, edited the samizdat-style journal *April Fifth Forum*, and played a major role in establishing the Beijing-Tianjin branch of the China Democracy Party. Mr. Xu's health suffered while in prison. In reaction to his declining condition, international human rights groups, the US ambassador to China, and Western officials called for his release. The Chinese government finally relented and released him on medical grounds in December 2002.

**William Schulz** is Senior Fellow at the Center for American Progress in Washington, DC, where he works in the areas of human rights and religion and public policy. As executive director of Amnesty International USA from 1994 to 2006, Dr. Schulz headed the American section of the world's largest international human rights organization. He is the contributing editor of *The Future of Human Rights: U.S. Policy for a New Era* (2008), which lays out recommendations for the Obama administration in all areas of human rights policy. Dr. Schulz is also the author of *In Our Own Best Interest: How Defending Human Rights Benefits Us All* (2001) and *Tainted Legacy: 9/11 and the Ruin of Human Rights* (2003) and contributing editor of *The Phenomenon of Torture: Readings and Commentary* (2007).

**Dan Blumenthal** is a fellow at the American Enterprise Institute. Previously, he was senior director for China, Taiwan and Mongolia in the Secretary of Defense's Office of International Security Affairs. Before his service at the Department of Defense, Blumenthal was practicing law in New York. He writes for AEI's *Asian Outlook* series.

**Louisa Greve** is Program Director for East Asia at the National Endowment for Democracy. She has served as a Board member and as a volunteer specialist on China and Mongolia with Amnesty International. She has testified before several Congressional committees on human rights in China and democratic development in Asia. Ms. Greve was a term member of the Council on Foreign Relations (1999-2004) and is currently a member of the Virginia Advisory Committee of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

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