

CHINA TOWN HALL

Local Connections, National Reflections

CHINA Town Hall is a day of programming
on China in cities throughout
the United States and China

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8:00 - 8:45 pm EST

Live webcast with Kurt M. Campbell

Assistant Secretary of State for
East Asian and Pacific Affairs

Moderated by **Stephen A. Orlins**, President
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Local programs on China will address topics of specific
interest to each locality

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The U.S.-China relationship is the most important bilateral relationship America has. China plays a role in virtually every major issue facing the United States: global warming, the economic and financial crises, pandemic health threats, North Korea, Iran, terrorism and numerous other issues require Sino-American cooperation if we are to have any chance of resolving or even ameliorating them. Yet, despite the critical nature of the relationship, American understanding of China and of Sino-American relations is far from sufficient. CHINA Town Hall offers Americans the opportunity to discuss these key issues with leading experts.

The National Committee is pleased to present this program, which features a nationally webcast talk by Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs Kurt M. Campbell followed by on-site presentations by China specialists addressing topics of particular interest to the local community. For the first time an American president has visited China during his first year in office; Dr. Campbell accompanied President Obama to Asia. We look forward to his reflections on the trip.

We thank Dr. Campbell, our local partners and speakers, and the Starr Foundation for making the program possible.

Stephen A. Orlins, President, National Committee on United States-China Relations

National Reflections Speaker



Kurt Campbell became the Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs in June 2009. Previously, he was the CEO and Co-Founder of the Center for a New American Security (CNAS) and concurrently served as the director of the Aspen Strategy Group and chairman of the Editorial Board of the *Washington Quarterly*. He was the founder of StratAsia, a strategic advisory firm, and was the senior vice president, director of the International Security Program, and Henry A. Kissinger Chair in National Security Policy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies. He was also associate professor of public policy and international relations at the John F. Kennedy School of Government and assistant director of the Center for Science and International Affairs at Harvard University.

Dr. Campbell has served in several capacities in government, including as deputy assistant secretary of defense for Asia and the Pacific, a director on the National Security Council Staff, deputy special counselor to the president for NAFTA in the White House, and White House fellow at the Department of the Treasury. For his service, he received the Department of Defense Medals for Distinguished Public Service and for Outstanding Public Service. He served as an officer in the U.S. Navy on the Joint Chiefs of Staff and in the Chief of Naval Operations Special Intelligence Unit.

He is the co-author with Jim Steinberg of *Difficult Transitions: Why Presidents Fail in Foreign Policy at the Outset of Power*, with Michele Flournoy of *To Prevail: An American Strategy for the Campaign against Terrorism*, with Michael O'Hanlon of *Hard Power: The New Politics of National Security*, and he co-authored with Nirav Patel *The Power of Balance: America in Asia*. He is the editor of *Climatic Cataclysm: The Foreign Policy and National Security Implications of Climate Change*, and *The Nuclear Tipping Point: Why States Reconsider Their Nuclear Choices* with Robert Einhorn and Mitchell Reiss.

He received his B.A. from the University of California, San Diego, a certificate in music and political philosophy from the University of Erevan in Soviet Armenia, and his doctorate in international relations from Brasenose College at Oxford University where he was a Distinguished Marshall Scholar.

National Committee on United States-China Relations

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