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Local Connections, National Reflections

A live webcast featuring

President Jimmy Carter

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

and 74 local programs addressing topics of
interest to each community
Understanding the Sino-American relationship is essential to developing and maintaining a sound U.S. policy that serves our country’s interests. The major trans-national issues of today and tomorrow, such as climate change, energy security, financial system stability, poverty alleviation, public health, weapons proliferation, piracy, terrorism, and world peace, as well as bilateral issues including trade and investment, require close cooperation with China if they are to be resolved successfully. CHINA Town Hall offers Americans throughout the country an opportunity to learn about and reflect on these and other critical areas in the U.S.-China relationship, with the assistance of leading China experts.

The National Committee is pleased to present CHINA Town Hall in partnership with The Carter Center at 74 venues across the country, combining a webcast interview from Atlanta with former President Jimmy Carter with on-site presentations by China specialists addressing topics of interest to the local communities participating in the program. The range of topics – from “Food and Water Security in China” to “Corporate Responsibility among Transnational Corporations Operating in China,” from “Can China Move 250 Million People into Cities? Urbanizing China: Prospects and Perils” to “China’s Foreign Policy: The Application of Soft Power” and “China’s Investment in Africa and Its Impact on U.S.-China Relations,” among many others – demonstrates the depth and breadth of our program as well as the complexity of the Sino-American relationship.

We thank President Carter and The Carter Center, 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
Jimmy Carter (James Earl Carter, Jr.), 39th president of the United States, was born on October 1, 1924, in the small farming town of Plains, Georgia, and grew up in nearby Archery. He attended public schools in Plains, and then Georgia Southwestern College and the Georgia Institute of Technology before graduating from the United States Naval Academy in 1946. He became a submariner, rising to the rank of lieutenant. He studied reactor technology and nuclear physics at Union College in Schenectady, NY, and served as senior officer of the pre-commissioning crew of the Seawolf, the second nuclear submarine.

In 1946 he married Rosalynn Smith of Plains. After his father died in 1953, he resigned his naval commission and returned to Georgia, taking over the Carter farms and operating Carter’s Warehouse, a seed and farm supply company in Plains. He served on county boards, winning election to the Georgia Senate in 1962. He became Georgia’s 76th governor in January 1971, and president of the United States on November 2, 1976. He counts among his administration’s significant foreign policy accomplishments the Panama Canal treaties, the Camp David Accords, the peace treaty between Egypt and Israel, the SALT II treaty with the Soviet Union, and the establishment of U.S. diplomatic relations with the People’s Republic of China. He championed human rights throughout the world. Domestically, the administration’s achievements included a comprehensive energy program conducted by a new Department of Energy; deregulation in energy, transportation, communications, and finance; major educational programs under a new Department of Education; and major environmental protection legislation.

In 1982, President Carter became University Distinguished Professor at Emory University in Atlanta, and founded The Carter Center to address national and international public policy issues, working to resolve conflict, promote democracy, protect human rights, and prevent disease.


On December 10, 2002, the Norwegian Nobel Committee awarded the Nobel Peace Prize to President Carter “for his decades of untiring effort to find peaceful solutions to international conflicts, to advance democracy and human rights, and to promote economic and social development.”
A day of programming on China in cities and towns across the United States and in Greater China

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- University of Arizona (Tucson)
  - Dr. Rian Thum, Loyola University New Orleans

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  - Dr. Joseph Battat, World Bank

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- University of California, Irvine
  - Mr. David Pierson, Los Angeles Times
- World Affairs Council of Inland Southern California (San Bernardino)
  - Dr. Barry Naughton, University of California, San Diego
- University of California, San Diego; The Bishop’s School; and the Confucius Institute at San Diego State University
  - Mr. Lyle Morris, RAND
- University of California, Hastings College of the Law (San Francisco)
  - Professor Keith Hand, University of California, Hastings College of the Law; and Ms. Auria Styles, the Law Offices of Auria Styles
- World Affairs Council of Northern California and the Asia Society Northern California Center (San Francisco)
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- University of Colorado, Boulder
  - Dr. Lionel Jensen, University of Notre Dame
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  - Rear Admiral Michael McDevitt, Center for Naval Analyses

**Connecticut**
- Yale University Council on East Asian Studies (New Haven)
  - Dr. David Bach, Mr. George Chen, Dr. Deborah Davis and Dr. Jessica Weiss, Yale University

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- World Trade Center Delaware (Newark)
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Established in 1966, the National Committee on United States–China Relations is a private, nonpartisan nonprofit organization that encourages understanding of China and the United States among citizens of both countries. With nearly five decades of experience developing innovative programs at the forefront of U.S.–China relations, the National Committee focuses its exchange, educational and policy activities on politics and security, education, governance and civil society, economic cooperation, media and transnational issues, addressing these with respect to mainland China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan. Its distinguished board of directors and individual and corporate members from around the United States represent many viewpoints, but share the conviction that ongoing public outreach, face-to-face communication and forthright exchange of ideas is essential for healthy Sino–American relations.