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**The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum
and the Roosevelt Institute presents**
"1935 AND THE ENDURING NEW DEAL":
The Works Progress Administration and the Rural Electrification Administration
The Second Live Webcast Program in a Series of Free Public Forums
Sunday, October 24, 2010 at 2:00 p.m.

HYDE PARK, NY -- In honor of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the Works Progress Administration and the Rural Electrification Administration the FDR Presidential Library and Museum and the Roosevelt Institute will present ***"1935 AND THE ENDURING NEW DEAL": The Works Progress Administration and the Rural Electrification Administration***, the second live webcast program in a series of free public forums on Sunday, October 24, 2010. This program will examine the historical impact of the WPA and REA's infrastructure programs, current efforts to document and preserve New Deal projects, and the lessons that can be learned from these programs for modern America. *Poughkeepsie Journal* Executive Editor Stuart Shinske will moderate the panel discussion. In addition to house seating the program will be webcast live (www.fdrlibrary.marist.edu) -- with online viewer participation -- and C-SPAN will record the event. The program begins at 2:00 p.m. in the Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home. **To register call Cliff Laube at (845) 486-7745.**

The program's panelists include **Stuart Shinske (moderator)**, Executive Editor/Director of Content and Audience Development, *Poughkeepsie Journal*; **Nick Taylor**, author of *American-Made: The Enduring Legacy of the WPA – When FDR Put the Nation to Work*; **Gray Brechin**, Founder and Project Scholar, *The California Living New Deal Project* and

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Visiting Scholar, Department of Geography, University of California Berkeley; **D. Clayton Brown**, Professor of History, Texas Christian University and author of *Electricity for Rural America: The Fight for the REA; Army Engineers in the Sunbelt*; **William Thirsk**, Vice President and Chief Information Officer, Marist College; and **Lynn Parramore**, Media Fellow, Roosevelt Institute and Founding Editor, *New Deal 2.0*.

Other programs in the series include:

Sunday, November 21, 2010

1935 and the Enduring New Deal: The Arts and History Programs

Moderator: **Joe Donahue**, Host, "The Roundtable," WAMC, Northeast Public Radio; **Roger Kennedy**, Author of *When Art Worked: Art, the New Deal, and Democracy*; **Peggy Bulger**, Director, American Folklife Center, Library of Congress; **David A. Taylor**, Author of *Soul of a People: The WPA Writers' Project Uncovers Depression America*; **Susan Quinn**, Author of *Furious Improvisation: How the WPA and a Cast of Thousands Made High Art out of Desperate Times*; and **Cynthia M. Koch**, Director, Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum.

For detailed information about each session or to register please call Cliff Laube at (845) 486-7745 or visit the Roosevelt Library website's events page at:

<http://www.fdrlibrary.marist.edu/publicprograms/calendar.html>.

The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum is dedicated to preserving historical material and providing innovative educational programs, community events, and public outreach. It is one of thirteen presidential libraries administered by the National Archives and Records Administration. For information about the FDR Presidential Library call (800) 337-8474 or visit www.fdrlibrary.marist.edu.

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