



**ATHENA ROUNDTABLE**  
**The Campaign for the American Mind**  
Friday, October 17, 2008  
Library, New-York Historical Society

*Agenda*

- 8:30 – 9:00 am**      **Continental Breakfast**
- 9:00 – 9:15 am**      **Welcome**  
Anne D. Neal, president, ACTA
- 9:15 – 10:00 am**      **Keynote**  
*Introduction:* Martin Peretz, Editor-in-Chief, *The New Republic*  
Roger Rosenblatt, commentator and author  
“Why I Left the University and Why I Didn’t”
- 10:00 – 11:15 am**      **Challenges**  
*Moderator:* Heather MacDonald, fellow, Manhattan Institute  
Richard H. Hersh, editor, *Declining by Degrees*  
KC Johnson, professor of history, Brooklyn College  
Robert McDowell, trustee, Virginia Military Institute
- 11:15 – 11:30 am**      **Coffee Break**
- 11:30 – 12:30 pm**      **Strategies**  
*Moderator:* Erin O’Connor, research fellow, ACTA  
Daniel Lowenstein, professor, UCLA School of Law  
Robert Koons, professor of philosophy, University of Texas at Austin  
Orit Sklar, Alliance for the Future of Georgia Tech
- 12:30 – 1:30 pm**      **Lunch**  
Remarks: James Basker, president Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History
- 1:30 – 2:30 pm**      **Leadership**  
*Moderator:* Robert L. Freedman, Esq.  
Hank Brown, past president, University of Colorado  
John Silber, president emeritus, Boston University  
Wm. Theodore de Bary, provost emeritus, Columbia University
- 2:30 – 3:30 pm**      **Action**  
*Moderator:* Edward F. Cox, trustee, State University of New York  
Benno Schmidt, board chairman, City University of New York  
Steven D. Weinstein, New Jersey Commission on Higher Education  
David G. Wasinger, curator, University of Missouri
- 3:30 pm**              **Closing Remarks**  
Anne D. Neal

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