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## **Miller to deliver 14th governor's lecture Nov. 4**

Fortune magazine columnist and best-selling author Matt Miller will deliver the 14th Annual Governor's Lecture in the Humanities, Nov. 4 at Joslyn Art Museum in Omaha.

Presented by the Nebraska Humanities Council (NHC) and the University of Nebraska, the lecture begins at 7:30 p.m.

Miller is the author of "The Tyranny of Dead Ideas: Letting Go of the Old Ways of Thinking to Unleash a New Prosperity" and the 2003 bestseller "The 2% Solution: Fixing America's Problems in Ways Liberals and Conservatives Can Love."

"Matt Miller brilliantly slays the dragon of dead ideas that still loom over our economy, but he does so much more," said Nebraska Foundation for the Humanities board member Angenette Meaney of Omaha. "He offers new, bold ways of viewing our current impasse and moving forward. Never have we needed such imagination, practicality and balance as we try to find solutions and still retain the fundamental values unique to America."

Political commentator and former presidential advisor David Gergen calls Miller "one of those few, invaluable voices who is able to reach beyond the truisms of yesterday to help us think anew about tomorrow."

Miller is an award-winning contributor to The Atlantic Monthly, The New York Times Magazine and many other publications. He represents the "center" as host of "Left, Right & Center," National Public Radio's popular week-in-review program (recently named by iTunes as one of its "best podcasts"). Miller also is a senior advisor to the global management consulting firm McKinsey & Company, where he advises clients on health care strategy, public sector education and nonprofit practices.

Miller served in the Clinton White House from 1993 to 1995 as a senior advisor in the Office of Management and Budget. From 1991 to 1992, he was a White House Fellow, serving as special assistant to the chairman of the Federal Communications Commission.

He received his bachelor's degree in economics, graduating magna cum laude from Brown University. In 1986, he received a law degree from Columbia Law School, where he was a James Kent Scholar and book review editor of the Columbia Law Review.

A fundraising reception and dinner will be held before the lecture to support the NHC's state-wide programming. For details, contact Aimee at the Nebraska Humanities Council at (402) 474-2131 ext. 102 or [aimee@nebraskahumanities.org](mailto:aimee@nebraskahumanities.org).

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