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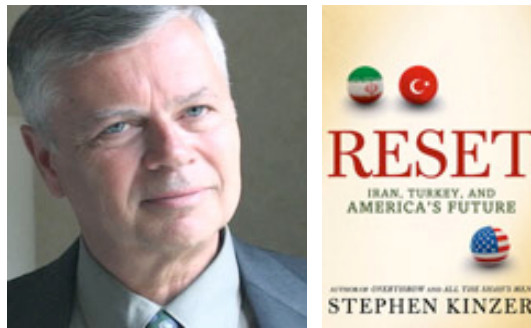
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STEPHEN KINZER

offers a new vision for the Middle East in his upcoming new book:

RESET: IRAN, TURKEY, AND AMERICA'S FUTURE



**Award-winning foreign correspondent, master storyteller,
and New York Times bureau chief in Turkey from 1996-2000**

**[Baruch College/CUNY Weismann School of Arts and Sciences](#) and
[The Light Millennium](#), in collaboration with
[The American Turkish Society](#),
are pleased to present a book discussing on
Thursday, June 10, 2010 with author Stephen Kinzer.**

In his new book, the author seeks an answer to the following question: What can the United States do to help realize its dream of a peaceful, democratic Middle East? Award-winning foreign correspondent [Stephen Kinzer](#) offers a surprising answer in his paradigm-shifting book – “**RESET: Iran, Turkey, and America's Future**”. Kinzer argues that two countries in the region are America's logical partners in the twenty-first century: Iran and Turkey.

Kinzer bases this new "power triangle" on the similarities between the countries. They share strategic interests, like a stable Iraq, stable Afghanistan, and stable Pakistan; and their people also share a desire for democratic values. He also advises that the United States reshape relations with its two traditional Middle East allies, Israel and Saudi Arabia.

A master storyteller, Kinzer summons the logic of history to address the future. With an eye for grand characters and illuminating historical detail, Kinzer introduces the reader to larger-than-life figures, like a Nebraska schoolteacher who became a martyr to democracy in Iran, a Turkish radical who transformed his country and Islam forever, and a colorful parade of princes, politicians, women of the world, spies, oppressors, liberators, and dreamers.

Thomas R. Pickering, former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations and Under-Secretary of State for Political Affairs praises *Reset* as follows: “Stephen Kinzer’s deep knowledge of the Middle East is complemented by his lucid style and new ideas. He sees Turkey as a key state for the region and the world, suggests new and innovative ways to deal with

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Saudi Arabia and Iran, and calls for the United States to play a much more robust and determined role in the Arab-Israeli peace process. His historical perspective and trenchant analysis make *Reset* an informative read for experts and newcomers alike."

Scheduled programs with Stephen Kinzer:

Thursday, June 10, 2010 TIME: 6:30PM (registration) 7:00PM (program), New York City

Kinzer's upcoming book ***RESET: Iran, Turkey, and America's Future*** published by Times Books, will be released on June 8, 2010. The first book presentation will be held at the **Baruch College in New York City**, and will be the one of the first stops in Kinzer's NYC program.

This event is free and open to the public. Reception will follow the presentation.

Please RSVP by Wednesday, June 9, 2010 to event@lightmillennium.org

Directions to Baruch College: Baruch College's entrances are located at 55 Lexington Avenue and 24th Street and on 25th street between Lexington and 3rd Avenues. Room 220 is on 14th floor. The doors will be open at 6:30PM. For more information: http://www.baruch.cuny.edu/wsas/Kinzer_book.htm

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Tuesday, June 15, 2010 – SETA-D.C. Time: 12:00 – 2:00PM

The Light Millennium and the SETA Foundation of Washington D.C. are jointly presenting a book launch with Stephen Kinzer for ***Reset***, which will be held **on Tuesday, June 15, 2010**. Please see "**Save the Date**" information at http://www.lightmillennium.org/events/reset_seta_save_the_date.html

The book will be available during both programs for signing by the author.

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More information about the Author: [Stephen Kinzer](http://www.stephenkinzer.com) is an award-winning foreign correspondent who has covered more than 50 countries on five continents. His articles and books have led the *Washington Post* to place him "among the best in popular foreign policy storytelling." Kinzer's previous book is *A Thousand Hills: Rwanda's Rebirth and the Man Who Dreamed It*. Archbishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa called it "a fascinating account of a near-miracle unfolding before our very eyes." In 2006 Kinzer published *Overthrow: America's Century of Regime Change from Hawaii to Iraq*. It recounts the 14 times the United States has overthrown foreign governments. He is also the author of *All the Shah's Men: An American Coup and the Roots of Middle East Terror*. It tells how the CIA overthrew Iran's nationalist government in 1953. From 1983 to 1989, Kinzer was the *Times* bureau chief in Nicaragua. In that post he covered war and upheaval in Central America. From 1990 to 1996 Kinzer was posted in Germany. He was chief of the *New York Times* bureau in Bonn, and after German unification became chief of the Berlin bureau. From there he covered the emergence of post-Communist Europe, including wars in the former Yugoslavia. In 1996 Kinzer was named chief of the newly opened New York Times bureau in Istanbul, Turkey. He spent four years there, traveling widely in Turkey and in the new nations of Central Asia and the Caucasus. After completing this assignment, Kinzer published *Crescent and Star: Turkey between Two Worlds*. Before joining the *New York Times*, Kinzer was a Latin America correspondent for the *Boston Globe*. He was also a newspaper columnist and a state government official in Massachusetts. Kinzer studied history at Boston University and graduated with high honors. He now teaches international relations at Boston University, contributes articles to the *New York Review of Books* and other periodicals, and writes a world affairs column for *The Guardian*. Source: <http://www.stephenkinzer.com>

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