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## **Author Ross Baker to Speak on The Party Crashers: Presidents who Remade Their Political Power**

On Monday, August 6 at 7:00 p.m., Ross Baker, professor of political science at Rutgers University will speak about the political parties and those presidents and candidates who have redefined their parties throughout US history. He calls these individuals The Party Crashers. He intends to explore the prospects for the Republican Party under President Trump and the possibility that he may triangulate his own party and do deals with the Democrats.

Ross K. Baker received his B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania. He was a research Associate at the Brookings Institution before joining the Rutgers faculty. Professor Bakers fields of interest are: American Government and U.S. Legislative Politics.

He is the author of following books: The Afro-American, American Government with Gerald Pomper and W. Carey McWilliams, Friend and Foe in the U.S. Senate, The New Fat Cats, House and Senate, Strangers on a Hill, and Is Bipartisanship Dead? He was contributing editor to American Demographics, a member of the editorial board of Polity, and is currently a Member of the Board of Contributors of USA Today.

He served as a consultant to the Democratic caucus of the U.S. House of Representatives and senior advisor to Senators Patrick J. Leahy [D-VT] and Chuck Hagel [R-NE]. In 2008, 2012 and again in 2016 he was Scholar in Residence in the Office of the Democratic Leader of the U.S. Senate.

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