

“Egypt in Revolution”

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April 21 (Sat), 3:00 – 5:00 PM at UNM Continuing Ed. Auditorium

1634 University Blvd NE (at the intersection with Indian School Rd.)

Egypt is one of the most important, if not the most important Arab country in the world, but we know very little about the new and confusing mix of forces and politics that has emerged following the removal of Mubarak.

After being ruled by the same president for thirty years, Egypt has entered a period of prolonged political transition. While the various political actors in Egypt--the military, Islamist groups, revolutionary youth, labor unions, and so on--are well known, these forces are forging a new set of rules for political life in a very uncertain setting. What sort of political order will arise in Egypt? How stable will it be? How democratic will it be? And how will it affect Egypt's international position?

Nathan J. Brown is Professor of Political Science and International Affairs at The George Washington University in Washington, DC. He is a specialist on the comparative politics of the Middle East. He also serves as a nonresident senior associate at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. He is author of six books and editor of two on Middle East politics; his most recent book is on Islamist movements and electoral politics in the Arab world, entitled *When Victory is Not an Option: Islamist Parties and Semiauthoritarian Politics in the Arab World*, published by Cornell University Press. In the past, his work has focused on issues of constitutionalism, rule of law, and democracy in the Arab world. He has worked on Egyptian, Palestinian and Gulf politics. Professor Brown received his B.A. in 1980 from the University of Chicago and his M.A. and Ph.D. from Princeton University in 1983 and 1987. His doctoral dissertation was awarded the Malcolm Kerr Prize by the Middle East Studies Association. He taught for one year at Ben-Gurion University in Israel as a Fulbright fellow and received previous Fulbright grants to conduct research in Egypt and the Gulf. He has also conducted research funded by the United States Institute of Peace and served as a member of the international advisory committees for drafting the Iraqi and Palestinian constitutions. In 2009, he was named a Carnegie Scholar by the Carnegie Corporation of New York for his work on Islamist political movements.

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Jordanian Cuisine Dinner with the Speaker will follow the lecture. 5:30 PM @ Sahara, price TBA. Please check www.abqinternational.org for the full calendar of events, changes and updates.

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