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## ***FAST FOOD NATION*** **DISCUSSED DURING CONSTITUTION CULTURE CLUB** **AT THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER**

Philadelphia, PA (November 8, 2006) – In many ways, America is what it eats. One week after the country has had its fill of Thanksgiving dinner – the ultimate in “slow food” – the National Constitution Center will focus on fast food, not only as an icon of American culture, but also as a way our nation presents itself to the world. Join the Constitution Culture Club on Thursday, November 30, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the political and cultural aspects of the new film opening on November 17, *Fast Food Nation*, the fictionalized interpretation of Eric Schlosser’s best-selling book of the same name, which analyzes the fast food industry’s practices and what fast food says about our country. This event is free and open to the public. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 215.409.6700.

In the spirit of the recent film *Thank You For Smoking* and the iconic book *The Jungle* about the meat packing industry, *Fast Food Nation* is “the most essential political film from an American director since Michael Moore’s *Fahrenheit 9/11*,” according to the *New York Times*.

The Constitution Culture Club meets monthly to discuss the current constitutional issues we encounter in our daily lives through the lens of new books, film, television, theater, and other cultural activities. Similar to a traditional book club, participants will be expected to have experienced the subject of the month before attending. Culture Club events are free of charge and open to the public. Attendance is limited to 45 participants on a first come, first served basis.

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The National Constitution Center, located at 525 Arch St. on Philadelphia's Independence Mall, is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing public understanding of the U.S. Constitution and the ideas and values it represents. Opened on July 4, 2003, the Constitution Center is a museum, an education center, and a forum for debate on constitutional issues. The museum dramatically tells the story of the Constitution from Revolutionary times to the present through more than 100 interactive, multimedia exhibits, film, photographs, text, sculpture and artifacts, and features a powerful, award-winning theatrical performance, "Freedom Rising". The Center also houses the Annenberg Center for Education and Outreach, which serves as the hub for national constitutional education and debates. Also, serving as a nonpartisan forum for constitutional discourse, the Center presents – without endorsement – programs that contain diverse viewpoints on a broad range of issues. The National Constitution Center's programs earned the organization a 2006 Best of Philly® award from *Philadelphia* magazine as the "Best Place To Smarten Up". For more information, call 215.409.6700 or visit [www.constitutioncenter.org](http://www.constitutioncenter.org).

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