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## ARTHUR C. BROOKS AND RICHARD BROOKHISER EXAMINE FREE ENTERPRISE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE FOUNDING FATHERS AT THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER

*Presented as the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Templeton Lecture on  
Economic Liberties and the Constitution*

Philadelphia, PA (October 10, 2012) – On the heels of the final debate of the presidential election, the National Constitution Center’s **10<sup>th</sup> Annual John M. Templeton, Jr. Lecture on Economic Liberties and the Constitution** will delve into the key issue of economic freedom through the lens of Founding Fathers (and authors of the Federalist Papers) Alexander Hamilton, John Jay, and James Madison. This compelling conversation will feature American Enterprise Institute President **Dr. Arthur C. Brooks**, author of the *New York Times* bestseller *The Road to Freedom: How to Win the Fight for Free Enterprise*, and *National Review* Senior Editor **Richard Brookhiser**, an eminent historian who will provide expert insight into America’s early economic ideals. The program will take place on **Tuesday, October 23, 2012, at 6:30 p.m.** Admission is free but reservations are required and can be made by calling 215.409.6700.

In his most recent book, *The Road to Freedom*, Arthur C. Brooks argues that, in order to achieve economic growth, government should get out of the way of business, government spending should be capped and cut, and the U.S. should stimulate growth by encouraging talented people to come to America. Brooks believes that the moral case for limited government and economic freedom can be found in the political principals of the Founding Fathers.

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**Dr. Arthur C. Brooks** has been the president of the American Enterprise Institute since 2009, where he champions better government policy based on the ideals of America's Founders. Previously, he was the Louis A. Bantle Professor of Business and Government Policy at Syracuse University. Throughout his career, Brooks has conducted research on the connections between culture, politics, and economic life. He is the author of 10 books and hundreds of articles on topics ranging from the economics of the arts to military operations research.

**Richard Brookhiser** is the Senior Editor of the *National Review*. For 20 years, Brookhiser wrote a column for the *New York Observer* and freelanced for a number of magazines including *The New Yorker*, *Cosmopolitan*, *Commentary*, and *Vanity Fair*. He curated "Alexander Hamilton: The Man Who Made Modern America," an exhibition at the New-York Historical Society, and wrote and hosted "Rediscovering George Washington" and "Rediscovering Alexander Hamilton." In 2008, Brookhiser was awarded the National Medal of the Humanities. In 2011, he was awarded a Guggenheim fellowship.

The annual John M. Templeton, Jr. lecture showcases the most important thinkers and policy-makers in America as they discuss economic liberties and current issues in a forum open to the public.

A book signing will follow the program, courtesy Joseph Fox Bookshop.

**John M. Templeton, Jr., M.D.** is President of the John Templeton Foundation and directs all Foundation activities in pursuit of its core mission: to serve as a philanthropic catalyst for discovery in areas engaging life's biggest questions in science and philosophy. He works closely with the Foundation's staff and international board of advisors, comprised of more than 50 leading scholars, scientists, researchers, and theologians, in order to develop substantive programs in this endeavor. Dr. Templeton has been actively involved in the Foundation since its inception in 1987. In 1995, he retired from his medical practice to serve full-time as president of the Foundation.

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The National Constitution Center is the first and only nonprofit, nonpartisan institution devoted to the most powerful vision of freedom ever expressed: the U.S. Constitution. Located on Independence Mall in Historic Philadelphia, the birthplace of American freedom, the Center illuminates constitutional ideals and inspires active citizenship through a state-of-the-art museum experience, including hundreds of interactive exhibits, films and rare artifacts; must-see feature exhibitions; the internationally acclaimed, 360-degree theatrical production *Freedom Rising*; and the iconic *Signers' Hall*, where visitors can sign the Constitution alongside 42 life-size, bronze statues of the Founding Fathers. As America's forum for constitutional dialogue, the Center engages diverse, distinguished leaders of government, public policy, journalism and scholarship in timely public discussions and debates. The Center also houses the Annenberg Center for Education and Outreach, the national hub for constitutional education, which offers cutting-edge civic learning resources both onsite and online. Freedom is calling. Answer it at the National Constitution Center. For more information, call 215.409.6700 or visit [www.constitutioncenter.org](http://www.constitutioncenter.org).

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