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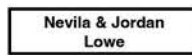
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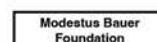
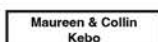
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BONUS BOOK GIVEAWAY! FAN is giving away copies of *The Pursuit of Liberty* to randomly selected Zoom attendees. Details on the webinar registration page.

In *The Pursuit of Liberty: How Hamilton vs. Jefferson Ignited the Lasting Battle Over Power in America*, bestselling author and president of the National Constitution Center **Jeffrey Rosen** explores the clashing visions of Alexander Hamilton and Thomas Jefferson about how to balance liberty and power in a debate that continues to define—and divide—our country: Jefferson championed states' rights and individual liberties, while Hamilton pushed for a strong Federal government and a powerful executive. This ongoing tug-of-war has shaped all the pivotal moments in American history, including Abraham Lincoln's fight against slavery and southern secession, the expansion of federal power under Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal, and Ronald Reagan's and Donald Trump's conservative push to shrink the size of the federal government.

Rosen also shows how Hamilton and Jefferson's disagreement over how to read the Constitution has shaped landmark debates in Congress and the Supreme Court about executive power, from John Marshall's early battles with Andrew Jackson to the current divisions among the justices on issues from presidential immunity to control over the administrative state.

More than ever, the clash between Hamiltonian and Jeffersonian ideals resonates today in our most urgent national debates over the question of whether modern presidents are consolidating power and subverting the Constitution—the very threat to American democracy that both Hamilton and Jefferson were determined to avoid. *The Pursuit of Liberty* is a compelling history of the opposing forces that have shaped our country since its founding, and the ongoing struggle to define the balance between liberty and power.

Rosen hosts the weekly podcast *We the People* and is a professor of law at The George Washington University Law School. He is the author of nine books and is a staff writer for *The New Yorker*.

Rosen will be in conversation with **David Blight, Ph.D. (FAN '19)**, Sterling Professor of History and Director, Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance, and Abolition, Yale University.

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