

## Peter Maer Introduction

Ladies and gentlemen, it is now my privilege to introduce you a man with a unique skill for communicating even the most complicated of stories...

He is a veteran White House reporter, who served as a CBS correspondent covering every political convention, campaign, and election from Carter to Obama, and is a five-time recipient of the prestigious Merriman Smith Award for Presidential Coverage Under Deadline Pressure...

He is a dedicated journalist, who was honored with Overseas Press Club citations for his coverage of the devastating 1985 Mexico City earthquake and was among the reporters and administration staffers evacuated from the White House on September 11th...

And he is a voice for the Jewish community, who carried out secret interviews with "Refuseniks", Jews in the Soviet Union who were denied permission to emigrate to Israel, and reported on President Clinton delegation to the funeral of Israeli Prime Minister Rabin from Air Force One.

Ladies and gentlemen please welcome esteemed journalist, Peter Maer.