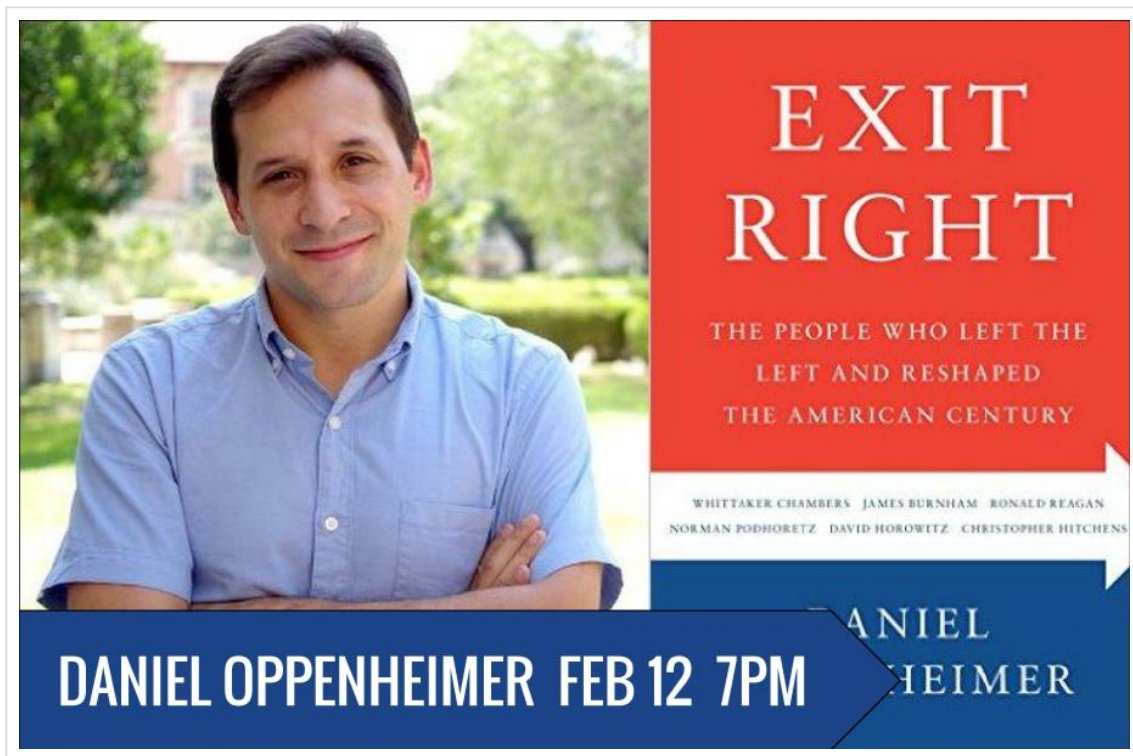


Hogg Foundation Staff Member to Read and Sign 'Exit Right' at BookPeople

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Daniel Oppenheimer, director of strategic communications at the Hogg Foundation for Mental Health, will read and sign his new book *Exit Right* on Friday, Feb. 12, 7 p.m. at [BookPeople](#). A new voice in political history, Oppenheimer tells the stories of six major political figures whose journeys away from the left reshaped the contours of American politics in the 20th century.

"[*Exit Right*] is flawed in the particular way that only great books can be. It fails to fully answer the impossibly ambitious questions it lays out, but its insights are so absorbing that it doesn't matter [and] the prose is so perfect. ... This book proves so satisfying precisely because it leaves you wanting much more. ... Oppenheimer began with a book about the origins of political beliefs and ended with one about the literary force of political misgivings. They're both worth reading."

—The Washington Post

"Call it natural evolution or ideological midlife crisis, but the figures profiled here ... all turned away from the political left, either incrementally or in revelatory bursts. ... Brilliant yet fallible, these apostates deserve our attention, Oppenheimer believes. Right or wrong, they 'reckoned with

themselves at the most terrifyingly fundamental level.”

—The New York Times Book Review

“[A] confident debut. ... [Oppenheimer] excels in portraying the personal torments and costs to his subjects in their transitional struggles.... The interplay between large historical movements and personal anguish is well-balanced and skillfully handled throughout. Whether his subjects are viewed as champions or apostates, Oppenheimer’s insightful narrative should inspire some soul-searching among political believers of every stripe.”

—Kirkus Reviews, Starred Review

More about the Author: Daniel Oppenheimer is a writer and filmmaker whose articles and videos have been featured in *The New York Times*, *The Atlantic*, *Tablet* Magazine and Salon.com. He has an MFA in nonfiction writing from Columbia University.

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