



The Award Winning

**Jimmy Carter Library & Museum**

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## **Three Authors on Tap at the Carter Library**

**Atlanta, GA.** – The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library will feature three different authors in the coming days...something for everyone.

This Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, author Carol Berkin takes us back in history with a look at the founding of the country in "*A Brilliant Solution: Inventing the American Constitution*. Come early (6pm-7pm) and see George Washington's personal copy of the Constitution with his handwritten notes. Both the Washington exhibit and the talk are free and open to the public.

Though the American Revolution is widely recognized as our nation's founding story, the years immediately following the war—when our government was a disaster and the country was in a terrible crisis—were in fact the most crucial in establishing the country's independence. The group of men who traveled to Philadelphia in the summer of 1787 had no idea what kind of history their meeting would make. But all their ideas, arguments, and compromises—from the creation of the Constitution itself, article by article, to the insistence that it remain a living, evolving document—laid the foundation for a government that has surpassed the founders' greatest hopes.

*The New York Times* says "A Brilliant Solution is that rarest of achievements—civic education that also manages to entertain. . . . A dramatic, well-informed account." The talk is free and open to the public. A book signing will follow both author presentations.

On Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, Pulitzer Prize winning author Hank Klibanoff will moderate a panel on the newly published Jame Agee book "*Cotton Tenants*." Editor John Summers will be joined by Piedmont College's Hugh Davis and renowned photographer Chip Simone for this look at Agee's newly published work. Accompanied by thirty of Walker Evans's historic photos, *Cotton Tenants* is an eloquent report of three families struggling through desperate times. Indeed, Agee's dispatch remains relevant as one of the most honest explorations of poverty in America ever attempted and as a foundational document of long-form reporting. (Free and open to the public)

Then join us Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> as George Packer discusses the story of the United States over the past three decades in an utterly original way. His book "*The Unwinding: An Inner History of the New America*," displays his sharp eye for detail and gift for weaving together complex narratives. Tickets available at [www.acappellabooks.com](http://www.acappellabooks.com).

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