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Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum to host a Community Meet & Greet with New Library Director Paul Sparrow Wednesday, September 30, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home

HYDE PARK, NY -- The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum invites its Hudson Valley neighbors to a Community Meet & Greet with new Library Director Paul Sparrow on Wednesday, September 30, 2015 in the Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home. The event will begin with a reception at 6:00 p.m. in the visitor center lobby; with brief remarks at 6:30 p.m. Following the reception, attendees are invited to view the Library's exhibits -- free of charge -- until 9:00 p.m. This event is free and open to the public.

Paul Sparrow was formerly a senior executive with the Newseum and was instrumental in the design and construction of the interactive museum in Washington, D.C. He oversaw all Newseum video production and interactive exhibits, developed an award winning web site, was an early adopter of social media, managed the education and programs department and launched the Newseum's Digital Classroom.

Sparrow was a founding partner of the University of Maryland's Future of Information
Alliance, a member of the State Department's Diplomatic Reception Rooms Interagency
Task Force, a contributor to American University's Journalism Leadership
Transformation Initiative, and a consultant for The National September 11 Memorial
Museum at the World Trade Center and for Andrew Jackson's Hermitage.

Prior to coming to the Newseum, Sparrow was an Emmy Award winning television producer, journalist and filmmaker. He produced prime-time programming for the Discovery Channel, TLC, and Fox. He began his career as a documentary filmmaker in San Francisco. Sparrow has a Masters of Fine Arts from the Center for Contemporary Music at Mills College and an undergraduate degree from the University of California at Santa Cruz.

Please contact Cliff Laube at (845) 486-7745 or email <u>clifford.laube@nara.gov</u> with questions about the event.

Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum

Designed by Franklin Roosevelt and dedicated on June 30, 1941, the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum is the nation's first presidential library and the only one used by a sitting president. Every president since FDR has followed his example and established a presidential library administered by the National Archives and Records Administration to preserve and make accessible to the American people the records of their presidencies. The Roosevelt Library's mission is to foster a deeper understanding of the lives and times of Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt and their continuing impact on contemporary life. This work is carried out through the Library's archives and research room, museum collections and exhibitions, innovative educational programs, and engaging public programming. For more information about the Library or its programs call (800) 337-8474 or visit www.fdrlibrary.marist.edu.