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US ELECTION WATCH 08

**THE UNITED STATES
STUDIES CENTRE**
at the University of Sydney

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11 November 2008

The President Elect: What Can We Expect

A free public forum tonight that addresses:
What are the challenges and priorities for President-elect Obama?
What does the vote reveal about American society?
Where are the Republican and Democratic Parties headed?

The President-Elect: What Can We Expect?
6:30pm - 8:00pm, Tuesday 11 November
The Sydney Conservatorium of Music
Macquarie St, Sydney



Panellists include:

- ABC journalist Leigh Sales
- Michael Parks, former Los Angeles Times editor and Pulitzer Prize winner
- David Brady, Deputy Director of the Hoover Institute, Stanford University
- Geoff Garrett, US Studies Centre CEO. [Details](#)

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Election Day Spectacular

Manning Bar at the University of Sydney was packed to the rafters on 05 November. More than 1500 people attended throughout the day, making Election Day Spectacular one of the largest election gatherings outside of the United States.



Shots of the crowd's jubilant reaction to Obama's win have appeared around the world, including on CNN, The Daily Show with Jon Stewart, and in the brand new video "It's a New Day" performed by US artist Will.i.am.

Commentators' Corner



[The Election Edge:](#)

Articles with cutting edge analysis

- Obama will need his ruthless streak
- Republicans must change to survive
- Afghanistan - Potential Sticky Point for Obama
- Election Updates with Triple J's Hack



[Face Off!:](#)

Our partisans finish off this week with their takes on the transition from Bush to Obama.

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Too Close to Call

Announcement of the winners of our Inauguration competitions is imminent. Pick the President is too close to call until Missouri is designated as a red or



blue state. The Campaign Mash Up entries have been an array of creativity and talent. Look for the videos on the Election Watch site next week!

It's a New Day

It's the dawn of a new America with the election of Barack Obama as president. It raises the question: **how well do you really know the US?**

Explore what the US is becoming with US Studies:

- [The US and the World](#): An undergraduate unit taught by Geoff Garrett available to students at the University of Sydney

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