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**November 8, 2011**  
**12:30 - 2:00 PM**

The Puck Building  
Rudin Family Forum for Civic Dialogue, 2nd Fl.  
295 Lafayette Street, New York, NY 10012

## **ACROSS PARTY LINES: Voting and Civic Engagement in Communities of Color**

### **Registration Link**

<http://wagner.nyu.edu/events/wocpn-11-08-2011>

In the 2008 election, voter turnout was at the highest levels in forty years, due in large part to significant voter increases in communities of color. In stark contrast, voter turnout levels in the 2010 mid-term elections declined significantly—a drop best explained by noting that families of color were pummeled by the recession and less hopeful that their vote would translate into the change their communities need.

With the 2012 elections approaching, re-engaging and mobilizing communities of color will be fundamental to increasing voter turnout and winning the presidential election. Both Democratic and Republican candidates will need a multi-racial strategy to carry them across the finish line.

Join experts as they discuss how to sustain and expand civic engagement among racial and ethnic voters and increase their participation in the democratic process. Panelists will propose strategies for building political power for communities of color, mobilizing leaders of color around an agenda that reflects their values, and reviving the movement that steered the last presidential election.

### **Discussants:**

#### **TERRY AO MINNIS**

Director of Census and Voting Programs,  
Asian American Justice Center

#### **CHRISTINA BAAL**

Director of Civic Engagement and Field  
Operations, New York Immigration Coalition

#### **LATOSHA BROWN**

Senior Advisor, Black Women's Roundtable,  
National Coalition on Black Civic Participation

#### **DONITA JUDGE**

Redistricting Project Director,  
Advancement Project

#### **DIANA SEN**

Senior Counsel, LatinoJustice PRLDEF

### **Moderator:**

#### **MYRNA PÉREZ**

Senior Counsel, Brennan Center for Justice

This policy forum is a lead-up event to **Engage2012**, a national summit that will take place December 8-9, 2011 at NYU to build a progressive, unified agenda for change with an eye toward the 2012 election cycle.



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