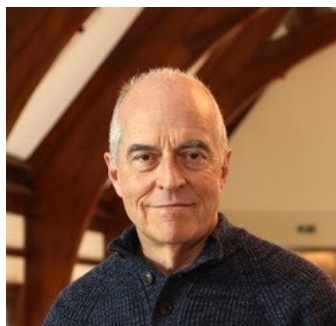


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CAPE COD SPEAKER SERIES ANNOUNCES POWERFUL 2025 LINEUP EXPLORING JOURNALISM, GEOPOLITICS, DEMOCRACY & CLIMATE CHANGE



***Season Launches May 8 with Andrew Heyward's Urgent Talk:
"From Cronkite to Crisis"***

BARNSTABLE, MA – The Cape Cod Speaker Series returns this spring with its much-anticipated second season, bringing leading voices in journalism, diplomacy, politics, and climate to the Cape community. Designed to spark meaningful dialogue around today's most urgent issues, the 2025 season features four thought-provoking evenings with prominent national figures and renowned experts.

**Season Opener: "From Cronkite to Crisis" with Andrew Heyward
Thursday, May 8 at 7:00 PM, Tilden Arts Center, Cape Cod Community College
Presented in partnership with the Academy for Lifelong Learning of Cape Cod**

What happened to journalism – and how can we save it? In this urgent and timely talk, Andrew Heyward, former President of CBS News and senior advisor at MIT's Center for Constructive Communication, explores the shattered media landscape, the collapse of public trust, Washington's newest threats to news organizations and press freedom, and the path toward a more constructive future. Drawing on decades of newsroom experience and his current work with local TV stations, Heyward offers a compelling roadmap for restoring this pillar of democracy.

Tickets are \$35 for general admission; students and faculty attend for free. Supporters can also purchase a \$75 CCSS SUPPORTER ticket, with \$40 tax-deductible. Reserve your seat at capecodspeakers.org.

**"Russia's War Against the West" with Ambassador John Sullivan
Wednesday, June 25 at 7:00 PM, Cape Cinema, Dennis
Presented in partnership with the John F. Kennedy Hyannis Museum**

Former U.S. Ambassador to Russia and Deputy Secretary of State John Sullivan offers a rare inside look at U.S.–Russia relations during a critical historical moment. Drawing from his acclaimed memoir *Midnight in Moscow*, Sullivan shares what unfolded the night Vladimir Putin launched his full-scale invasion of Ukraine and the diplomatic efforts behind the scenes.

“Upheaval in Washington” with Peter Baker & Susan Glasser
Monday, August 11 at 7:00 PM at the Tilden Arts Center, Cape Cod Community College
Presented in partnership with The Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce

Two of America’s most respected political journalists, Peter Baker (The New York Times) and Susan Glasser (The New Yorker), bring sharp insight and deep experience to a wide-ranging conversation about American democracy, the presidency, Congress, the courts, and the U.S. role in a shifting world.

“Life on the Edge: Who Pays When Climate Change Hits the Coast?” with Jake Bittle
Thursday, August 21 at 7:00 PM at the Tilden Arts Center, Cape Cod Community College
Presented in partnership with: The Cape Cod Climate Change Collaborative

As seas rise and storms intensify, who bears the burden? Jake Bittle, climate change reporter and author of *The Great Displacement* explores how climate migration is reshaping communities across the U.S. and what the future holds for coastal regions like Cape Cod. A must-attend for anyone concerned about resilience, equity, and the local impacts of global change. For more information on this speaker please visit www.simonspeakers.com.

Tickets for all events are available at capecodspeakers.org.

About the Cape Cod Speaker Series:

The Cape Cod Speaker Series, Inc. (CCSS) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization founded by local residents dedicated to bringing diverse voices, cultural opportunities and educational support to Cape Cod. After setting aside funds for future operations, any surplus generated by CCSS will go to providing financial aid to Cape Cod Community College students.

The 2025 series is made possible through the generous support of our community partners and sponsors, including The Cooperative Bank of Cape Cod, BNY Wealth, Eastern Bank, Cape Cod 5, and Cape Cod Community College.

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