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# **Ethan Bronner, New York Times’ Israel Bureau Chief to Speak about Covering the Middle East**

**WHAT** — Ethan Bronner, Israel bureau chief for The New York Times, will speak about “Reporting the News: Truth and Fiction in the Middle East.” He has been the Times’ bureau chief since March 2008, following four years as deputy foreign editor in New York. He previously served as assistant editorial page editor of the Times, and before that worked in the paper's investigative unit, focusing on the attacks of Sept. 11. A series on Al Qaeda that Bronner helped edit was awarded the 2001 Pulitzer Prize for explanatory journalism.

This event is free and open to the public, but registration is required. Call the University of Hartford’s Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies at 860.768.4964 to make a reservation.

**WHEN** — **Tuesday, Oct. 6, at 7:30 p.m.**

**WHERE** — Wilde Auditorium, in the University of Hartford’s Harry Jack Gray Center, 200 Bloomfield Ave., West Hartford

**BACKGROUND** — Bronner served as The New York Times’ education editor from 1999 to 2001 and national education correspondent from 1997 to 1999. He worked for The Boston Globe from 1985 until 1997, where he started on general assignment and urban affairs. He went on to become the paper's Supreme Court and legal affairs correspondent in Washington, D.C., and then its Middle East correspondent, based in Jerusalem.

He is the author of *Battle for Justice: How the Bork Nomination Shook America* (Norton, 1989), which was chosen by The New York Public Library as one of the 25 best books of 1989 and awarded a Silver Gavel by the American Bar Association.

A graduate of Wesleyan University and Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, Bronner began his journalistic career at Reuters in 1980, reporting from London, Madrid, Brussels and Jerusalem.

Bronner grew up in New York and Kentucky. He moved to Storrs in 1969, with his parents, Dr. Felix and Leah Bronner. His parents live today in West Hartford, where his father is professor emeritus of the UConn Health Center. This event is sponsored in part by the following: Jewish Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford, the University of Hartford and its Maurice Greenberg Center for Judaic Studies, School of Communications, Department of History, and Department of Politics and Government in the College of Arts and Sciences, The Jewish Federation Association of Connecticut, the Connecticut Jewish Ledger newspaper, Beth El Temple, and Emanuel Synagogue.