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German Unification Symposium

1990: An Epochal Break in German History?

Martin Sabrow

Wednesday, September 28, 2016
6:00 – 8:00 PM

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One of Germany’s foremost experts on East Germany, Martin Sabrow is a director of the Center for Contemporary History in Potsdam and a professor of modern history at the Humboldt University Berlin. Prof. Sabrow has written extensively on the history of the GDR and on the politics of post-1989 memory culture. Additionally, he has contributed widely to discussions on the concept of contemporary history [Zeitgeschichte] and contemporary witnesses [Zeitzeugen] in historiography. Most recently, he published a biography of Erich Honecker’s early life, Erich Honecker: Das Leben davor, 1912-1945 (C.H. Beck, 2016). From 2005 to 2006 he served as the chairman of a federal commission on the future of the GDR in public memory culture.

Program

6:00 PM LECTURE & DISCUSSION
7:30 PM RECEPTION

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