



FOR PLANNING PURPOSES
November 12, 2015

MEDIA ADVISORY

Authors Steve and Susie Swatt to discuss *Game Changers: Twelve Elections That Transformed California* at State Archives Speaker Series

The California State Archives Speaker Series continues Thursday, November 19. Authors Steve and Susie Swatt will discuss their recently released book *Game Changers: Twelve Elections That Transformed California*.

Steve and Susie Swatt will discuss the challenges of writing a political history that is informative and anecdotal – readable history that attracts political junkies and casual history buffs alike. Winner of the California Historical Society Book Award, *Game Changers* offers a treasure trove of little known stories from watershed elections – gleaned from dozens of interviews, 165 years of California newspaper coverage, manuscripts, archival collections, government documents, and rarely read oral histories.

Steve Swatt spent 25 years as an award-winning journalist for United Press International in Los Angeles and KCRA-TV in Sacramento as its state capitol correspondent. He also was a partner in a statewide political consulting firm and taught political communication at Sacramento State University. Susie Swatt spent nearly 40 years as a top legislative staffer and researcher for the Fair Political Practices Commission where her work won a national ProPublica award for investigative reporting.

The speaker series is sponsored by the [Friends of the State Archives](#).

This is a free, but ticketed event.

TICKETS: <https://speaker-series-nov-2015.eventbrite.com>

The event is open to media, but an RSVP is strongly recommended.

WHAT: California State Archives Speaker Series

WHO: Steve and Susie Swatt – Authors of *Game Changers: Twelve Elections That Transformed California*

WHEN: Thursday, November 19, 2015
5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: California State Archives
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