

NPR Host and International Reporter to Speak in Des Moines**Date:** Monday, February 4, 2013**Category:** Press Release

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February 4, 2013 (Des Moines, IA) — Iowa Public Radio welcomes Steve Inskeep, author and co-host of NPR's *Morning Edition*, to Des Moines on Tuesday, February 12, 2013. Inskeep will discuss his role as host on NPR's most widely heard radio news program, his experiences in reporting from around the world and his book, *Instant City: Life and Death in Karachi*.

Known for his probing questions to presidents, warlords, authors, and musicians, Inskeep has a passion for the stories of the less famous—like an American soldier who lost both feet in Afghanistan; the Bordelons, who remained in their home even when it flooded during Hurricane Katrina; or New Hampshire women pondering how to vote around a dining-room table.

After the September 11, 2001, attacks, Inskeep covered for NPR the wars in Afghanistan & Iraq and the hunt for al-Qaeda suspects in Pakistan. In 2003, he received a National Headliner Award for investigating a military raid that went wrong in Afghanistan. He has twice been part of the NPR News team that was awarded an Alfred I. duPont-Columbia University Silver Baton for its coverage of Iraq.

Inskeep will be speaking at the State Historical Building in Des Moines at 7 p.m. on February 12. His book will be available for sale and a book signing will follow the presentation.

IPR's *Insights Series* brings public radio's most acclaimed voices to audiences in Iowa. *Insights Series* tickets are \$25 and \$35;

VIP reception packages, which include premium seating and a VIP reception at the event, are \$75. More information is available online at www.iowapublicradio.org

About the Series:

- February 12, 2013: Steve Inskeep, Host, NPR's *Morning Edition*
- March 19, 2013: Frank DeFord, Author & NPR Sports Commentator
- April 17, 2012: Ira Flatow, Host, NPR's *Talk of the Nation Science Friday*
- Previous presentation: Michele Norris, Author and Former Host, NPR's *All Things Considered*

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