

*The best things
happen when
ideas collide
inside the bonds
of respect.*



The Village Square

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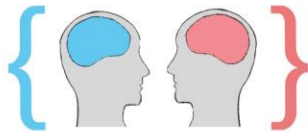
Divergent Speaker Pairs

Bring respect + rebellion speakers to your campus
and “Let friendship redeem the Republic”

[MEET THE PAIRS](#)

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MEET OUR DISAGREEING
SPEAKER PAIRS



Bring two people (and more than
one opinion) to your campus.
If you dare.

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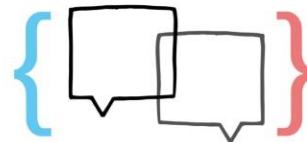
OUR STORIES
OF TREASONOUS FRIENDSHIPS



People who disagree have
changed history for the better
(and can change the future)

[READ STORIES](#)

THE POWER OF **AND**:
STRAINING IDEAS FUEL + INSPIRE



The most interesting
conversations have more than
one idea in them.


[SEE THE IDEAS](#)

Better Angels **SPEAKERS**



**Red Better Angel +
Blue Better Angel**

SPEAKERS



**Red Mom +
Blue Mom**

SPEAKERS



**Politician +
Pastor**

LivingRoom Conversations AllSides™ **SPEAKERS**



**MoveOn Founder +
Republican Techie**

SPEAKERS



**Atheist Journalist +
Christian Filmmaker**

Better Angels **SPEAKERS**



**Black & poor +
White & privileged**

SPEAKERS



**Anti-Abortion Feminist +
Abortion Access Advocate**

SPEAKERS

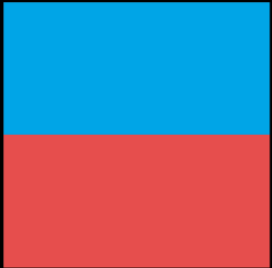


**Red Psych Prof +
Blue Psych Prof**

THE FLIP SIDE **SPEAKERS**



**Blue Good Arguments +
Red Good Arguments**



respect + rebellion



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But does it work?

Respect + Rebellion speakers spoke with over 2,500 students on campuses in the 2018-2019 school year. We surveyed 8 events on 4 campuses (n=400).

85%

Compared to before the event, I feel more comfortable sharing my political views honestly.

83%

I'm more optimistic about conversing with people whose political views are different than my own.

78%

I feel like it is more possible that I could learn something from people on the other side of the aisle.

77%

Today's discussion made me consider an opposing view in a new light.

73%

I understand and/or like people who I disagree with at least a little bit more than before.

invest in growing a shared culture of open inquiry

harness the power of modeling

transcend the political frame

inspire with highest principles

excite with the power of discovery

start early: orientation + before

support student-led bridging efforts

amplify the best ideas across campuses

respectandrebillion.com

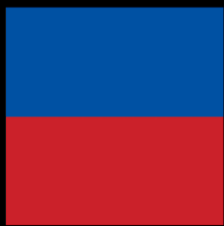
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e pluribus unum > out of many, one
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