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<p>Gabor Boritt serves as the Director of the Civil War Institute and Fluhner Professor of Civil War Studies at Gettysburg College, and also as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the \$50,000 Lincoln Prize. He was born and raised in Hungary, and educated in South Dakota and Massachusetts and lives with his wife, Elizabeth Lincoln Norseen, on a farm outside of Gettysburg where they have raised three sons. The first, Beowulf, is a stage designer in New York; the second, Jake, is a filmmaker; the third, Dan, biologist at the National Zoo in Washington.</p> <p>Dr. Boritt has held visiting appointments at the universities of Cambridge, London, Harvard, Michigan (Ann Arbor), and Washington (St. Louis). He is author, co-author, and editor of sixteen books on Lincoln and the Civil War, some of them Book of the Month Club and History Book Club selections. His work has been translated into five languages. Among other places, he has lectured at the Universities of Budapest, Belfast, Cambridge, Harvard, Oxford, and the Sorbonne, as well as at the Carter Library, National Geographic, the Smithsonian, the Nobel Institute, and the White House.</p> <p>He serves on several boards, most importantly on the Lincoln Bicentennial Commission (Congressional appointment), and the Gettysburg Battlefield Museum Foundation (both on Board of Directors and distinguished Scholars' Advisory Board).</p> <p>His articles have appeared from professional journals to the <i>New York Times</i>, <i>New York Times Book Review</i> (front page), <i>the Los Angeles Times</i>, and the <i>Christian Science Monitor</i>, and perhaps a dozen magazines. He has appeared on the cover of various magazines, on NBC, CNN, CSpan, Arts and Entertainment, the History Channel, as well as in cameo roles in the films <i>Gettysburg</i> and <i>Gods and Generals</i>. He had served as a historical advisor to both films. His interviews have appeared in various countries around the globe in print, on radio, and on TV.</p> <p>Dr. Boritt has received various awards and fellowships, honorary degrees, and has been selected distinguished alumnus of his undergraduate institution, Yankton College in South Dakota, and his graduate school, Boston University. Most recently he received an invitation to Bellagio by the Rockefeller Foundation to work on his book on Gettysburg.</p> <p>His most recent major publication is <i>The Gettysburg Gospel: The Lincoln Speech That Nobody Knows</i> (Simon and Schuster, 2006). Boritt's book was the featured cover story for the December 4, 2006 issue of <i>US NEWS & WORLD REPORT</i>.</p> <p>Finally, Brad Smith's novel, "<i>Busted Flush</i>" (Henry Holt, 2005, paperback, 2006), is about today's Gettysburg, and is based in part about a Hungarian-born historian named Klaus--that is Gabor Boritt. Finally, Boritt's feature-length documentary film, by his son, Jake Boritt, "<i>Budapest to Gettysburg</i>," became a finalist out of 800 applicants for national broadcast on PBS' POV series and was selected for screening in IFP New York's prestigious Independent Film Week. For further information, visit www.boritt.com</p>		