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*A Special Evening for the Real Estate Community*

Wednesday, April 25th, 2007

at the  
Center for Jewish History  
15 West 16th Street  
New York City

Keynote Address by  
Steven Roth  
*Chairman and CEO of Vornado Realty Trust*

Couvert: \$2,000 / \$2,500 with spouse

*Dietary laws observed*  
*Business attire*

Cocktails - 6pm  
Keynote - 7pm  
Dinner and Breakout Sessions - 8pm

## KEYNOTE ADDRESS

**Steven Roth** is Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Vornado Realty Trust. Mr. Roth is the co-founder and Managing General Partner of Interstate Properties and Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Alexander's, Inc. He is a trustee of the Whitney Museum of American Art, trustee of the Intrepid Museum Foundation, member of the Board of Directors of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and board member of New York University School of Medicine Foundation. From 1981 through 1987, he served as member of the Board of the Amos Tuck School, and has endowed a professorship there. He also is the principal donor to the Roth Center for Jewish Life at Dartmouth. He is a former Trustee of the Horace Mann School. Mr. Roth is a graduate of DeWitt Clinton High School in the Bronx. He received his AB degree from Dartmouth College in 1962 and an MBA degree with Highest Distinction from Dartmouth's Amos Tuck School of Business Administration in 1963. Mr. Roth completed a term as the 2002 - 2003 Chair of the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts (NAREIT). *Barron's Magazine*, in its March 27, 2006 and March 28, 2005 issue, named Mr. Roth one of the World's Thirty Most Respected CEO's for two consecutive years.

## BREAKOUT SESSIONS

### Origins of Ethnic New York

A session that looks at New York City in the nineteenth century, focusing on developments and innovations in the city's social life and infrastructure and discussing how they changed the everyday life of New Yorkers and particularly the Jewish community.

### Building the Empire State

A session that explores the development of New York, as industries that were central to the city's economy through the middle of the twentieth century evolved, and examines the role that Jewish builders played in this growth.

### The New York Approach: Robert Moses, Urban Politics and the Redevelopment of the Inner City

A session that focuses on the period after World War II, during which time Moses pushed New York City ahead with urban renewal through Title I. This session will also explore the impact that Moses had on the Jewish communities of East Tremont and the Lower East Side.