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A Discussion with Maureen Freely, author of *Enlightenment*
moderated by Professor Sibel Erol, New York University



“A dark Conradian drama, set in a beautifully illuminated Istanbul, where the past is always with us.” - Orhan Pamuk

Thursday, May 15, 2008

6:00 – 6:15pm Registration

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7:00 – 8:00pm Book Signing and Reception

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Maureen Freely is a writer, translator, and professor at the University of Warwick in Bath, England. She was born in the United States and grew up in Istanbul, where her father has been a university professor since 1963. She was educated at Radcliffe College and has made her home in England for the last twenty-three years. The author of three works of nonfiction, Ms. Freely has been a regular contributor to the Guardian, the Observer, the Independent and the Sunday Times for two decades, writing on feminism, family, social policy, Turkish culture and politics, and contemporary literature. She is well-known for her translations of Snow (2004), Istanbul: Memories of a City (2005), The Black Book (2006), and Other Colors (2007), by the Turkish novelist and Nobel laureate Orhan Pamuk.

From the Publisher: In her new novel *Enlightenment*, Freely captures both the passion, distrust, and duplicitousness of life in Cold War Istanbul, and the complexities of modern life in contemporary Turkey. As an investigative journalist unravels the strange and politically-charged disappearance of an American woman who first came to Turkey in the 1960s, she discovers a heartbreaking history of first loves shattered and best friends betrayed. *Enlightenment* also entertains as a tense and complex thriller involving a retired secret service informer, a mysterious ‘trunk’ murder, and a group of young students embroiled in subterfuge. (Overlook Press/ Hardcover, \$24.95 / ISBN: 978-1-59020-074-2 / May 13, 2008).

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