

PHILADELPHIA-AREA TEACHERS GATHER FOR SPECIAL TOWN HALL EVENT HOSTED BY NBC NEWS' ANN CURRY AND NBC 10's ADITI ROY

Hundreds of Philadelphia-area educators from all grade levels to gather the Kimmel Theater on Sunday,

June 5^{th} at 1pm

NEW YORK, NY—June 2, 2011— On **Sunday, June 5**, at 1:00pm/pt, NBC News' Ann Curry and NBC 10's Aditi Roy will lead a live **Teacher Town Hall** forum from the Kimmel Theater at the National Constitution Center that brings together local teachers of all levels for a frank and open discussion about what works in the classroom and how to address the top challenges facing the region's education system. Teachers will be invited to participate in-person or via webcast with the ability to provide comments and feedback through EducationNation.com and social media platforms. The Teacher Town Hall will be televised live on Philadelphia Nonstop (Digital Channel 10.2, Comcast 248, and Verizon 460) and streamed live on EducationNation.com and NBCPhiladelphia.com.

*** This is not a public event. If you are a reporter interested in covering any "Education Nation Philadelphia" events, please send a request to Meghan Pianta at NBC News Communications—meghan.pianta@nbcuni.com.

The Teacher Town Hall is part of NBC News' "Education Nation Philadelphia," which also includes education-focused programming on NBC News, NBC 10 and Telemundo, a state-of-the-art public exhibit on the lawn of the National Constitution Center (open June 6th - June 12th) and a "Job One" workforce panel featuring top Philadelphia-area CEOs and business leaders (June 9th).

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