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NYC in Fiscal Crisis: Labor's Role Today & in the 1970s

In discussions about the current Wall Street collapse and its impact on the city budget, the specter of the 1970s is often invoked.

Is it a fair or helpful comparison?

What lessons can we learn from the city's response in the 1970s?

What were the long-term consequences on health care and education, and could they have been avoided?

Is a different approach called for today?

What sacrifices and contributions did labor make in the 1970s?

Are similar ones appropriate today?

THURSDAY, JAN. 22, 2009 6:30pm - 8:30pm

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Political consultant,

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in the 1970s

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President of the League of Voluntary Hospitals, chief labor negotiator for the City of New York, 1979 to 1983

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