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## Steve Bannon to visit Philly this month for World Affairs Council talk

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Steve Bannon, former chief strategist and senior counselor to President Donald Trump, arrives for the Presidential Inauguration of Trump at the US Capitol in January 2017.

Steve Bannon, the divisive one-time Trump White House strategist and former Breitbart chairman, is headed to Philadelphia later this month.

Bannon will speak at an event hosted by the nonpartisan [World Affairs Council of Philadelphia](#) taking place at the Loews Philadelphia Hotel. World Affairs Council of Philadelphia previously has hosted progressive speakers such as Tarana Burke, leader of the #MeToo movement, and former Secretary of State John Kerry.

The topic of Bannon's talk? "America Fights Back: Our Economic War with China."

The World Affairs Council is encouraging both fans and non-fans of Bannon – who endorsed former Pennsylvania governor candidate Scott Wagner during November's election – to attend the event, which is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 15 at 5 p.m.

"Consistent with its 70 years of commitment to nonpartisan discourse, the World Affairs Council of Philadelphia presents Steve Bannon ... to give our audience, whether supporters or opponents, a unique opportunity for a personal experience of this public figure," the site [reads](#). The council also [describes Bannon](#) as "one of the most controversial and consequential polemicists of our time."

"Bannon's views on 'economic nationalism,' seen by some as race-baiting, and 'populism,' seen by critics as authoritarian, have had, and are having, global reach and impact," the event description continues.

After Bannon's talk, which will no doubt relate to [recent revelations in the New York Times](#) about the threats he sees in China's government, Bannon will face a "probing interview" opposite Craig Snyder, president of the World Affairs Council of Philadelphia.

Tickets begin at \$5 for students, are sold to members for \$40, and are \$55 to the general public. Learn more about the event and tickets [here](#).

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