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## INVITE 9/19: How Everything Became War and the Military Became Everything

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# How Everything Became War and the Military Became Everything

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**When you wage war against a nameless, stateless, formless enemy – an enemy with goals as uncertain as its methods – it's hard to see how war can ever end. – Rosa Brooks**

In a world in which the instant push of a button can lead to the death of a particular individual more than eight thousand miles away, is it possible to define "war" with any clarity? What separates the targeting of an enemy

combatant under lawful wartime from the extrajudicial murder of someone suspected of wrongdoing? What is the purpose of a modern *military* in a world where future threats come from computer hackers, terrorists, and other nonstate actors?

These are some of the questions Future of War fellow **Rosa Brooks** poses in her new book, [How Everything Became War and the Military Became Everything](#). Backed up by a career with human rights NGOs and top positions in the Pentagon, she argues that by viewing more and more threats as "war," its ambit of law seems to apply to more and more spheres of human activity. The result: a greater tolerance for secrecy and coercion, the inevitable expansion of the military, and a society distrustful of the entity tasked with protecting it.

Join **New America NYC** for a discussion on how to bring into focus the increasingly blurry boundaries of "war" and "peace" and the global security outcomes that depends on their understanding.

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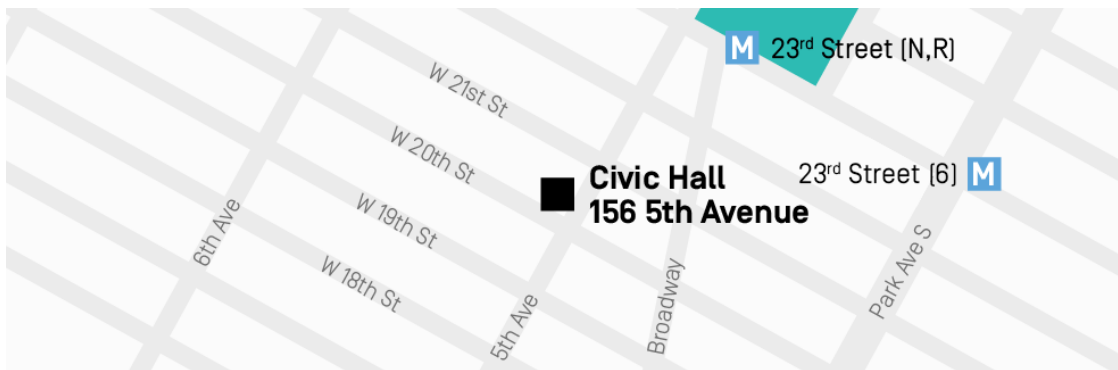
**How Everything Became War and the Military Became Everything**

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