Move Fast and Break Things: A Conversation with Jonathan Taplin and Jeffrey Toobin

Since 2001, newspaper, music, publishing, film, and television revenues have fallen dramatically, while profits at these industries' three biggest access points—Facebook, Amazon, and Google—have skyrocketed. More creative content is being consumed than ever.
before, but less revenue is flowing to the creators and owners of the content.

*Move Fast and Break Things*, a new book by media and entertainment expert Jonathan Taplin, tells the story of how a small group of entrepreneurs began in the 1990s to seize the original decentralized vision of the Internet, creating a concentration of power that now determines the future of culture. But the stakes go far beyond any one artist or journalist: as a shrinking group of companies become the source of news and entertainment for more and more Americans, their status as cultural arbiters—and their impact on democracy—continues to grow.

Join **New America NYC** for a the launch event of *Move Fast and Break Things* and for a conversation with Jonathan Taplin and Jeffrey Toobin on the twentieth-century World Wide Web, the internet economy, and the impact they're having on the promise of American life.

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Facebook, Google, and Amazon Cornered Culture and Undermined Democracy will be available for purchase.

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