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**RANK THE VOTE, ALONG WITH THREE NYC MAYORAL CANDIDATES, ARE CO-HOSTING
“EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT RANKED CHOICE VOTING” ONLINE EVENT**

New York City, NY – To educate the electorate about NYC’s new method of voting, Rank The Vote is hosting “Everything You Need to Know About Ranked Choice Voting.” This online event is scheduled for Sunday, June 6 from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm, and is co-sponsored by six NYC candidates, including Mayoral Candidates Art Chang, Aaron Foldenauer, Paperboy Prince, and Joycelyn Taylor, and City Council Candidates Chris Sosa and Jeffrey Omura.

The 2021 New York City primary election is just a month away - Tuesday, June 22, 2021. And starting this year, New Yorkers have a new way to vote!

Instead of just choosing one favorite candidate for each office, a voter will rank each candidate in a race - from 1 to 5 - with 1 being the voter’s highest preference and 5 the lowest.

“Ranked choice voting provides for a more democratic and majoritarian manner in which to cast a ballot,” further explains Art Chang, mayoral candidate. “It allows voters to decide on a candidate’s values and principles, and if that candidate falls short during the election, the voter can feel confident that their vote was not for naught. The vote is simply shifted to the voter’s next preferred candidate, likely one who the voter could accept even though not their first choice.”

Ranked choice voting is simple and makes elections, like the NYC mayoral race, fairer. The new voting process helps candidates who are more widely supported by the electorate, makes for collaborative campaigning (versus desperate and often negative maneuverings), promotes a diverse candidate field, and on occasion, saves taxpayer money by removing the need for runoff elections when a single candidate doesn’t garner 50%+1 of the vote.

Adds Chang, “I am excited to co-host this online event with Rank The Vote and other candidates to discuss ranked choice voting. More importantly, I am honored to help New Yorkers get the information they need to make their voices heard on June 22, and again on November 2.”

Press is invited to attend the event, which will include opening statements and question-and-answer sessions with the candidates.

Practical Information

Date: Sunday, June 6, 2021

Time: 11 am – 1:00 pm

Location: Zoom, provided upon RSVP

Event Registration Link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/everything-you-need-to-know-about-ranked-choice-voting-tickets-15583701570>