

CESAR CHAVEZ AND THE UNITED FARM WORKERS

A SYMPOSIUM ON THE NEW SCHOLARSHIP THAT IS TRANSFORMING OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE MOVEMENT

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McCune Conference Room
Humanities and Social Science Building
The University of California, Santa Barbara



9:00 A.M. INTRODUCTORY REMARKS: NELSON LICHTENSTEIN, DIRECTOR OF THE UCSB CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF WORK, LABOR, AND DEMOCRACY; RALPH ARMBRUSER-SANDOVAL, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CHICANO/A STUDIES, UCSB

9:15 A.M. THE UNITED FARM WORKERS AND THE AMERICAN PUBLIC

Chair: José M. Alamillo, Associate Professor of Chicano/a Studies and History at California State University, Channel Islands.

Alicia Chavez, "Learning from "La Causa": Mexican American Autoworkers and the UFW's Farmworker Movement." Chavez is a visiting lecturer in history at California State University, Long Beach, as well as Scripps College. Her forthcoming book is *Laboring in Los Angeles: Chicano Autoworkers, Community Activism, and Union Leadership, 1965-1988*.

Matt Garcia, "A Moveable Feast: Cesar Chavez and The United Farmworkers' Grape Boycott." Garcia is Professor of History at Arizona State University where he directs the Program in Comparative Border Studies. He is the author of *A World of Its Own: Intercultural Relations in the Citrus Belt of Southern California, 1900-1970*.

11:15 A.M. THE UNION AND ITS LEADERSHIP: A CRITICAL APPRAISAL

Chair: Dana Frank, Professor of History, University of California, Santa Cruz

Frank Bardacke, "The United Farm Workers and the Undocumented." Bardacke, a teacher and labor activist in Watsonville, worked in the Salinas Valley fields for seven years. He is the author of *Trampling Out the Vintage: César Chávez and the Two Souls of the United Farm Workers*.

Miriam Pawel, "The Paradox of the UFW: Snatching Defeat from the Jaws of Victory." Pawel is an award-winning journalist who worked for 25 years at *Newsday* and the *Los Angeles Times*. She is the author of *The Union of Their Dreams - Power, Hope and Struggle in Cesar Chavez's Farm Worker Movement*.

1:00 P.M. LUNCH

2:00 P.M. CULTURE AND IDEOLOGY WITHIN THE UFW

Chair: Ralph Armbruster-Sandoval

Jose-Antonio Orosco, "Cesar Chavez, Undocumented Immigrants, and the Culture of Peace in the United States." Orosco is Associate Professor of Philosophy at Oregon State University and the author of *Cesar Chavez and the Common Sense of Nonviolence*.

Edwina Barvosa, "Mestiza Consciousness & Sustained Political Solidarity: A Chicana Feminist Interpretation of the Farm Worker Movement" Barvosa is Associate Professor in the Departments of Feminist Studies and Chicana/o Studies at UCSB. She is the Author of *Wealth of Selves: Multiple Identities, Mestiza Consciousness, and the Subject of Politics*.



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