

Z Video Productions Catalog Fall 2009



RECENT RELEASES

AFTER THE GREEK UPRISING

A documentary

In May Z staff traveled to Athens to talk with people about the December uprising and its implications for long-term organizing toward revolutionary change. We interviewed people in the large anti-authoritarian movement, as well as participants in the uprising, and members of a neighborhood occupation. The documentary includes footage from the uprising and various areas of political action around Athens. It also has scenes from a well-attended (1,000-2,000) B-Fest conference which focused on how to move forward. May 2009. 120 minutes.

CAPITALISM AND RADICAL CHANGE

By Michael Albert

A series of talks in Athens to anti-authoritarian activists connected with the newspaper *Babylonia*, as well as many participants in the December/January 2008/2009 Greek uprising. Albert covers a critique of capitalism and central planning, and presents the basic values and institutions that underpin Participatory Economics. May 2009. 90 minutes.

HISTORICAL ROOTS OF THE ECONOMIC CRISIS

An interview with Jack Rasmus

Rasmus draws on the history of the 1930s to explain how the wealth that funnels upwards (instead of trickling down) creates unstable speculative markets that lead to economic crises. He describes the repeated down-up-down crises of the 1930s, drawing parallels to today. April 2009. 53 minutes.

IMPLEMENTING PARTICIPATORY SOCIETY IN VENEZUELA

An interview with Michael Albert

In September 2008, Albert visited Venezuela where he talked with various people involved in worker-run factories, participatory planning, and other innovative institutional attempts to make their society truly democratic. March 2009. 90 minutes.

POLITICAL DISOBEDIENCE

By Howard Zinn

This talk covers the importance of challenging authority, particularly in so-called democracies. Zinn references his many experiences confronting state power. Athens, May 2009. 30 minutes.

TURNING POINTS: THE CURRENT CRISIS

Left Forum opening plenary with Richard Wolff, Arlie Hochschild, Adolph Reed, Jr., Katja Kipping, and Walden Bello

Panelists discuss various aspects of the current crisis and identify openings for the left to raise issues about the U.S. political and economic system. April 2009. 105 minutes.

TURNING POINTS: LONG TERM STRATEGIES FOR THE LEFT

Left Forum panel with Stanley Aronowitz, Barbara Epstein, Michael Albert, and Bill Fletcher, Jr.

Panelists discuss various possibilities for rebuilding a vital, visible left--through a political party, giving people a sense that we can win, and other ideas for taking action during this "turning point" economic crisis. April 2009. 66 minutes.

TURNING POINTS: WHICH WAY FORWARD?

Left Forum plenary with Medea Benjamin, Johanna Brenner, Bhairavi Desai, and Kate Bronfenbrenner

Panelists discuss (with some practical suggestions for action) various possibilities for rebuilding a vital, visible left: ending sectarianism, taking advantage of turning points on foreign policy, the economy, and developing our vision(s) for change. April 2009. 65 minutes.

URBAN SPACE AND FREEDOM

A talk by Chris Spannos

Delivered in Athens, Greece at an international anti-authoritarian festival, Spannos speaks about urban problems and possibilities for the 21st Century. The talk proposes participatory vision for urban growth and ecological sustainability, balancing urban and rural life, reorganizing private and public space, and self-managing society's institutions. May 2009. 90 minutes.

BACKLIST

ALL WHO MATTER

A talk by Noam Chomsky

A lively lecture about economic globalization and its impact on people in the U.S. and around the world. Chomsky ranges far and wide in this cogent and cutting edge talk. Z Media Institute (ZMI) 2000. 60 mins.

ALTERNATIVE MEDIA IN TIME OF WAR

A talk by David Barsamian

Barsamian, producer and host of "Alternative Radio," as well as author of numerous books, discusses the resistance to endless war finding expression and an increasing audience in alternative media. ZMI 2003. 50 mins.

ARGENTINA'S OCCUPIED FACTORIES

A documentary



Over the past five years there has been an important movement in Argentina to occupy failing factories and run them via workers self-management. This documentary, based on a tour of occupied factories and discussions with various participants at every level, reports on the features and lessons of the experience. Filmed in October 2005. 55 minutes.

THE CORPORATE THEFT OF WATER

A talk by Maude Barlow

Maude Barlow, chair of the Council of Canadians, describes how corporations, with the collusion of governments, steal water from communities, mostly in third world countries, and sell it back to citizens at outrageous prices. An interview with Sonali Kolhatkar of KPFFK Pacifica radio follows Barlow's talk. World Social Forum (WSF) 2004. 42 mins.

CRACKS IN THE EDIFICE

Heather Rogers chairs a Left Forum plenary featuring Naomi Klein, Mahamood Mamdani, Tariq Ali, and Adam Hochschild

Panelists discuss various, "cracks" in support for U.S. Empire-building, resulting from years of waging war in Iraq and Afghanistan; from attempts to "colonize" Africa through so-called humanitarian efforts—particularly in Dafur—and from failed neo-economic policies resulting in growing public perceptions and challenges to the class war being waged by elites. 2008. 90 minutes.

DEBATING THE POST-CAPITALIST FUTURE

A Social Forum panel with Michael Albert & John Holloway

Michael Albert, author of *Parecon: Life After Capitalism*, and John Holloway, author of *Change the World Without Taking Power*; debate alternative economic visions and

strategies. In the lively format of opening statements followed by responses, they appear to have wildly different views, but find some common ground around values needed for a better, more just society. Venezuela 2006. Debate 85 mins.; Q&A 35 mins.

DECLINE OF THE DOLLAR: FLEXIBILITY OR DECLINE OF THE EMPIRE?

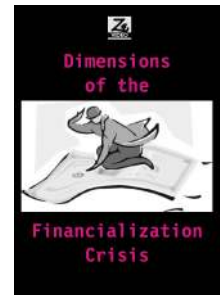
A Left Forum panel chaired by Leo Panitch (York University) and featuring Doug Henwood (Left Business Observer), Jane D'Arista (Financial Markets Centre), Chris Rude (writer), and David Harvey (Graduate Center, CUNY)

Panelists define and explain the inner workings of capitalism that led to the current crisis, looking specifically at housing, sub-prime, and other critical dimensions of our global financial system. They also speculate on why there is no labor uprising—as well as suggesting some solutions. March 2008. 74 minutes.

DIMENSIONS OF THE FINANCIALIZATION CRISIS

A Left Forum panel chaired by William Tabb (Queens College, CUNY) and featuring David McNally (York University), Jane D'Arista (Financial Markets Centre), Michael Kratke (University of Amsterdam), and Robin Blackburn (New School University)

Panelists express their views about how and why the current economic crisis occurred and offer predictions about how bad it's going to be. Topics covered focus particularly on the housing crisis, subprime, foreclosures, and more. Organized by the Rosa Luxemburg Foundation. 2008. 70 mins.



ECHOES OF A REBELLION

A documentary

On December 19/20, 2001, resistance to the neoliberal policies imposed by the IMF and World Bank exploded into rebellion. Thousands of people took to the streets in Argentina and in more than 100 cities worldwide. This documentary examines these new political forms that inspired resistance around the world. Filmed in North & South America, 2001/2002. 47 mins.

EAST TIMOR & U.S. POLICY

With Cynthia Peters, Winston Rondo, & Noam Chomsky

An overview (Peters) of the situation as well as an update on the refugee camps in West Timor (Rondo), and a look at U.S. policy and what activists can do (Chomsky). Boston Teach-in, 2001. 120 mins.

ELECTIONS & CHANGE

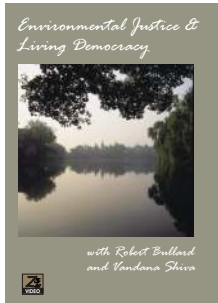
A talk by Noam Chomsky

Chomsky discusses the historic U.S. election results, comparing the democratic systems of Latin America (where left movements have been putting their candi-

dates in office) with the public relations-managed extravaganzas here (intended for a passive citizenry), drawing lessons on how we can best create progressive “real change.” 2008. 40 mins; includes Q&A.

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE & LIVING DEMOCRACY

Talks by Robert Bullard & Vandana Shiva



Bullard discusses the environmental justice movement’s role in re-defining environmentalism to include where we live, work, play, and worship. Shiva criticizes the inequality and bankrupt policies of the IMF and WTO. She describes the living democracy movement in India, which is about every being having the right to democratic participation in the resources of this planet. WSF 2002. 50 mins.

FORGING A RADICAL POLITICAL FUTURE

Selections from the 2007 Left Forum

Seven speakers from various panels discuss topics of the day, including: Cornel West on what it means to be a leftist, Heather Rogers on garbage, Bashir Abu-Manneh on the U.S. and Palestine, Frances Fox Piven on health care and the left, Chris Gavreau on revolutionary socialism, and Manning Marable on black disenfranchisement during the Bush years. 2007. 122mins.

FROM SDS TO LIFE AFTER CAPITALISM

A conversation with Michael Albert & Noam Chomsky

Inspired by the Spring 2007 release of Michael Albert’s book *Remembering Tomorrow*, Chomsky and Albert got together—with Amy Goodman as moderator—to reminisce about the past as it provides lessons for future activism. Also included is an interview with Albert about his experiences, as well as a Q&A session with three student activists. 105 minutes.

FUTURE OF U.S. ECONOMIC POLICY

A talk by Ellen Frank

A talk on the Bush administration and its neo-conservative economic policies. Frank gives a detailed history of U.S. economic policy from the development of Keynesianism in the 1930s and 1940s to today’s return to the neo-conservative economic policies of 1920s. ZMI 2001. 75 mins.

GLOBAL JUSTICE & ECONOMIC VISION

Talks by Michael Albert

Albert first discusses the issues associated with building an effective antiwar movement: matters of strategy, organization, and focus. Then he elaborates on the issue of economic vision and movement building. Socialist

Scholars Conference, 2003. First talk: 25 minutes; second talk: 55 mins.

HOW CAPITALISM UNDERDEVELOPED BLACK AMERICA

A talk by Manning Marable

Marable discusses his classic book and talks about how a writer goes about choosing topics, doing the research, and getting things published. South End Press Anniversary Series 2002. 45 mins.

HUGO CHAVEZ AT THE SOCIAL FORUM

Chavez, the outspoken Venezuelan president, offers a critique of neoliberal capitalism and explains efforts to form a united independent Latin America. Can be viewed in Spanish or dubbed or subtitled into English. 2005 World Social Forum. 90 mins.



IF THE LEFT DEBATED THE CAMPAIGN ISSUES

Lydia Sargent interviews Michael Albert

If the Left could participate in the presidential electoral debates in the U.S., how would they: explain the purpose of elections and why so few vote; expose U.S. foreign policy and present alternatives; discuss the economic system; expose the nature of education in preparing people for their class “roles” in the economy? What would a Left candidate counter with when the discussion turns to Cuba or Venezuela or other countries in the Bush administration’s so-called Axis of Evil? Lydia Sargent questions Michael Albert on the issues raised in a typical mainstream candidates’ debate. 2008. 55 minutes.

IMMIGRATION IN THE BELLY OF THE BEAST

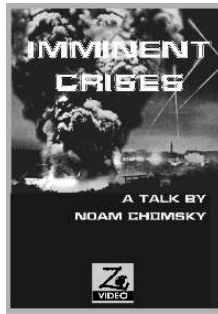
Cathi Taqtaquin (*National Network for Immigrant and Refugee Rights*) chairs this panel featuring Alexis Mazon (*Coalicion de Derechos Humanos*), Gerald Lenoir (*Black Alliance for Just Immigration*), Trishala Deb (*Audre Lorde Project*), Jose Matus (*La Alianza*), Ed Ott (*NYC Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO*), Glory Kilanko (*Women Watch Afrika*), and Ruben Solis (*Southwest Workers Union*)

This panel at the 2007 United States Social Forum covers immigration in the U.S. from a variety of perspectives: Latino/a, African American, Native American, LGBTQ youth, union organizing, and human rights. Discussions range from the punitive legislation being considered as “reform” to persecution along the U.S./Mexico border to coalition building. 2007. 74 minutes.

IMMINENT CRISES

A talk by Noam Chomsky

Chomsky lays out the most pressing crises facing us today—nuclear apocalypse, environmental catastrophe, and the “democracy deficit.” He covers the war in Iraq,



the U.S. policy of obtaining strategic power over its key rivals, and the hypocrisy of the U.S. “messianic vision” of bringing “democracy” to every corner of the world while violating democratic principles, international law, and increasing the possibility of “apocalypse soon, the ultimate doom.” ZMI 2005. 90 mins.

IMPERIAL GRAND STRATEGY

A talk by Noam Chomsky

Chomsky addresses the Bush administration’s official plans for an endless reign of oppression, world domination, and international conflict. ZMI 2003. 55 mins.

INDEPENDENT MEDIA HOPES & CHALLENGES

A Social Forum panel with speakers from Venezuela, Cuba, Haiti, & the U.S.

An important reminder of how U.S. media assists in carrying out foreign policy through propaganda, psychological warfare, and misinformation. Speakers document many cases of what one panelist refers to as “U.S. media terrorism.” 85 mins.

INDEPENDENT MEDIA VS. CORPORATE MEDIA

A talk by Amy Goodman

Goodman, host of “Democracy Now!,” discusses the state of corporate media and the exciting rise of media alternatives. ZMI 2003. 40 mins.

I READ ABOUT MY DEATH IN VOGUE MAGAZINE

A comedy by Lydia Sargent

A feminist comedy telling of the events leading up to that fateful day when 1960s’ feminists read about the death of feminism in various mainstream women’s magazines, and elsewhere. The *Boston Phoenix* called it a “rich and funny wake and sing for the post-feminist age.” ZMI 2001. 105 mins.

KICKING AWAY THE LADDER: CORPORATE ECONOMICS VS. DEMOCRACY

A talk by Noam Chomsky

Chomsky focuses on the problems of democracy development in the U.S. He discusses the so-called grand economy, which he describes as a failure for the majority of the population. Chomsky also details the history of the U.S. trajectory, after WWII, towards becoming the most powerful state in history using what he describes as a policy of “kicking away the ladder.” Talk 60 mins.; Q&A 25 mins. 2006.

MANUFACTURING CONSENT IN TIME OF WAR

A talk by Noam Chomsky

Chomsky discusses the war, media disinformation, Middle East politics, and U.S. foreign policy. 2002. 70 mins.

LATIN AMERICAN CHALLENGES TO U.S. DOMINATION

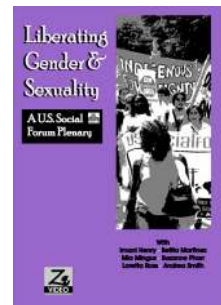
An interview with Noam Chomsky

Chomsky looks at Latin America and the Caribbean, areas which have historically been dominated by the U.S. In the last decade, Chomsky asserts, Latin America has been moving toward independence from the U.S. and is beginning to demand control of its own resources. Chomsky covers the many countries where the U.S. has carried out a pattern of subversion, which it refers to in classic doublespeak as “democracy promotion.” 2006. 45 mins.

LIBERATING GENDER & SEXUALITY

A United States Social Forum plenary

Imani Henry, Mia Mingus, Betita Martinez, Loretta J. Ross, Andrea Smith, and Suzanne Pharr discuss the importance of integrating gender and sexual justice across movements for social change. Panelists speak to continued institutional and domestic violence—including political repression and poverty—that women and gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people have resisted by defending their rights and forming new organizations for justice. 2007. 65 mins.



THE MEDIA BEAST

A talk by Danny Schechter

Schechter, founder of mediachannel.org, entertains and informs with details from inside the “media beast” where he has worked for over 25 years. He makes the case for activism directed against mainstream media control and misinformation. ZMI 2003. 40 mins.

THE MEDIA MAKES THE WORLD

A Left Forum panel with Nan Rubin, Carl Ginsburg, Gary Younge, & Amy Goodman

With passion, facts, and humor, panelists reveal the machinations of mainstream media, including controlled coverage of the U.S. war on Iraq and also the lack of intelligent/critical reporting on such issues as the huge inequalities inherent in capitalism—the health-care system being a case in point. They also discuss the problems of distribution while praising the many efforts of the alternative media. March 2006. 59 mins.



THE MORE YOU WATCH, THE LESS YOU KNOW

A talk by Danny Schechter

Schechter has worked from top to the bottom and back again in mainstream and alternative media. Here, he recounts with humor and style the ins-and-outs of mainstream media organization, culture, and practice. Filmed at ZMI 2000. 60 mins.

THE NEW WAR ON TERRORISM

A talk by Noam Chomsky

Chomsky covers U.S. policy, focusing on examples of U.S. terror, particularly in Nicaragua. The content is compelling and convincing. MIT 2001. 120 mins.

OIL AND NUKES: THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF THE IRAN CRISIS

A Left Forum panel with Tom O'Donnell, Evrand Abrahamian, & Fatemeh Moghadam

A discussion of the growing dangers of war with Iran and the political and economic forces behind the rhetoric driving both sides. Speakers emphasize the role of long-term oil development plans among neo-conservatives. Also discussed are Iran's internal politics and Iran's politics and economy. 2006. 60 mins.

ON ELECTIONS & MOVEMENTS

A video conference with Noam Chomsky

Noam Chomsky answers questions from an audience in Argentina regarding the meaning and effect of U.S. elections, U.S. foreign policy in Latin America, and the significance and future of new and growing social movements, such as the World Social Forum. Can be viewed in English-only or with real-time audio translations into Spanish. 2005. 26 mins.

PARTICIPATORY ECONOMICS

A talk by Michael Albert

Albert's "testimony" at the World Social Forum outlines the values we might want in an alternative economy: solidarity, self-management, diversity, equity, and efficiency. 2002. 45 mins.

PARTICIPATORY POLITICS

Talks by Stephen R. Shalom

This video is condensed from a two-part classroom series (at Z Media Institute) on the forms and structures that a truly progressive, alternative political system might take. The discussion concerns a political system counterpart to the alternative economic system of Participatory Economics (Parecon). 120 mins.

RACE-ING JUSTICE: BLACK RESISTANCE & THE POLITICS OF MASS INCARCERATION

Manning Marable, Keesha Middlemass, Laurent Alfred, Adolphus Belk, & Rev. Sekou

A panel on the "criminal injustice" system. Panelists argue that there is no meaningful discussion of white's stereotypical perceptions about race and crime. Panelists give statistics that overwhelmingly show a crisis situation, with 6.9 million (mainly African American and young Latino) inmates "warehoused" in U.S. prisons. Left Forum 2005. 85 mins.



RADICAL VISIONS FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

A Left Forum panel with Chris Spannos, Peter Bohmer, Cynthia Peters, Ria Julien, and Stephen R. Shalom

Members of the International Project for Participatory Society present participatory democratic alternatives to authoritarian systems. Topics covered include the economy, work, and the family. March 2007. Discussion: 86 mins. Q&A: 24 mins.

REAL UTOPIA: PARTICIPATORY SOCIETY FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

Meaghan Linnick-Loughley (NY Org for a Participatory Society) chairs a Left Forum panel featuring Michael Albert (ZNet), Jessica Azulay & Brian Dominick (WebRoot Solutions), Richard Franke (Montclair State Univ), Chris Spannos (ZNet), and Greg Wilpert (Venezuelananalysis.com)

Panelists engage visions for what a future participatory society might look like while giving real world examples in the U.S., Asia, and Latin America. Organized by Z Communications. Left Forum 2008. 90 minutes.

RELIGIOUS AND CULTURAL FUNDAMENTALISM

Talks by Pervez Hoodboy (India), Amarjeet Kaur (India), & Tanika Sarkar (India)

Speakers at this WSF session address the problems of fundamentalism and cultural relativism. They detail some of the ways fundamentalist thinking has affected millions of people's lives through repression, massacres, and genocide. WSF 2004. 55 mins.

REVOLUTION OR SUBMERSION: THE POLITICS OF GLOBAL WARMING

A talk by Brian Tokar

Tokar, an author, activist, and social ecologist, looks at popular discussions of today's looming ecological crisis and explains why they are lacking in political coherence or a systemic critique of the causes. As a result, people are told that lifestyle changes and market mechanisms are the only way to solve the problem of climate disruptions, toxic pollution, and destruction of ecosystems. He

indicates that a revolutionary movement is needed for a true alternative. ZMI 2007. 70 mins.

SOLDIERS MOVEMENT AGAINST THE IRAQ WAR

A Left Forum panel with Tod Ensign, Aiden Delgado, Jose Vasquez, & Geoffrey Millard

This session includes moving testimony from three soldiers who served in Iraq. They talk about going from being “gung ho,” ready to “blow things up,” to being against the war and U.S. policy. They also talk about their anti-war plans and the prospects of major troop refusals. 2006. Talks 45 mins., Q&A 25 mins.

STRUGGLING TO CREATE A NEW SOCIETY

A talk by Ron Daniels

Daniels looks at the crises in the African American community and at the history of struggle in the African American community in the U.S., particularly the historic National Black Convention in 1972. ZMI 2001. 90 mins.

TAKING DOWN FENCES

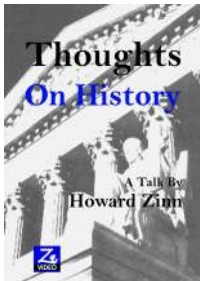
Talks by Naomi Klein, Walden Bello, & Susan George

Klein focuses on the anti-capitalist globalization movement and the many courageous acts of global resistance to “take down fences.” Bello presents his principles for a “deglobalization” movement based on decentralization, equity, and democratic decision-making. George talks about current economic crises and the dominance of transnational corporations. WSF 2002. 55 mins.

TEN MINUTES TO MIDNIGHT: THE EMERGING POLICE STATE

A Left Forum panel with Michael Steven Smith, Dalia Hashad, Michael Ratner, & Heidi Bogosian

Four attorneys specializing in civil rights, human rights, and constitutional law discuss the renewal of the USA PATRIOT Act in 2006. 2006. 60 mins.



THOUGHTS ON HISTORY

A talk by Howard Zinn

Howard Zinn discusses his life experiences and how they relate to teaching and writing history and viewing the world and how knowledge and activism can threaten to overthrow tyranny and ignorance. 2004. 79 mins.

U.S., DEMOCRACY, & SELF- DETERMINATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST

A talk by Stephen R. Shalom

The Bush administration claims that a U.S. “victory” in Iraq would be the first step in bringing democracy to the

Middle East. What is their vision and how does it differ from previous U.S. policy? 2004. 56 mins.

TOWARDS A REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT MOVEMENT

Kate Griffin (New School SDS) chairs this Left Forum panel featuring Pat Korte (New School SDS), Rachel Haut (Queens College SDS), and Dave Shukla (UCLA SDS)

Student radicals discuss their views on the role students can play in confronting society’s challenges in the process of developing organization, vision and strategy for a revitalized student left. 2008. 55 minutes.

U.S. OCCUPATION OF IRAQ & THE PROBLEM OF PALESTINE AND AFGHANISTAN

With Joseph Gerson (U.S.), Michael Warshawsky (Israel), Nabila Faani (Afghanistan), Achin Vanaik (India), Hanna Rishmawi (Palestine), and Rani Masri (U.S.)

Panelists present the case against the U.S. (and Israel) for continued imperialist actions in Iraq and elsewhere; they also detail the suffering brought by corporate globalization. WSF 2004. 56 mins.

U.S. POLICY IN AFGHANISTAN

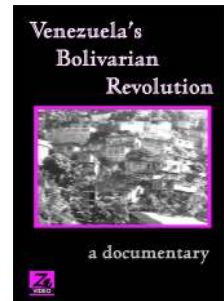
An interview with Sonali Kolhatkar & Jim Ingalls

Kolhatkar and Ingalls, co-directors of the Afghan Women’s Mission, discuss the current situation, Afghanistan history, and the continued dismal media coverage. They focus on women and resistance. 2005. 80 mins.

VENEZUELA’S BOLIVARIAN REVOLUTION

A documentary by Lydia Sargent

Venezuela is at the center of dramatic changes throughout Latin America. Via conversations with Venezuelans inside the government and out, this documentary chronicles a revolution in consciousness and a transformation of political structure, economics, gender, and culture relations. 2005. 90 mins.



WAR, MILITARISM, AND PEACE

Talks by Mustafa Barbouti (Palestine), Beverley Keene (Argentina), Chandra Muzaffar (Malaysia), Keun Soo Hong (South Korea), & Dennis Brutus (South Africa)

Speakers give details of the effect of the ongoing war policies of the great powers and the economic weapons of mass destruction being waged against the Third World. All of the speakers point to developing the anti-capitalist globalization movements and the World Social Forum process. WSF 2004. 42 mins.

WAR, TERRORISM, AND THE MEDIA

A talk by Howard Zinn

Zinn explains why the current war is not against terrorism, but is part of the U.S. ongoing foreign policy. He gives background and historical detail to illustrate his talk. 2002. 45 mins.

WE OWN THE WORLD

A talk by Noam Chomsky

Chomsky looks at government and corporate policies over the years. These policies, Chomsky argues, involve imperialist designs, including political assassinations and the killing of innocent civilians on a mass scale. As Chomsky explains over and over, elites can get away with this only if they (and we) accept the basic assumption that “we own the world”—and have the right to do whatever we want. ZMI 2007. 90 minutes.

WHAT MAKES ALTERNATIVE MEDIA ALTERNATIVE?

A talk by Michael Albert

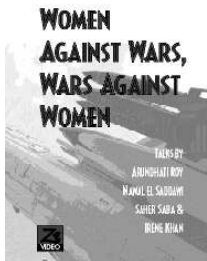
Albert defines the principles, values, and goals of alternative organizations and media, then looks at whether existing progressive institutions further those goals through their structure and process. If we are for a fair and just society, he asks, shouldn't our workplaces reflect those values? ZMI 2001. 55 mins.

WHO YOU CALLING A BITCH?

A talk by Rosa Clemente

Clemente discusses the importance of Hip Hop culture and its expression of social reality for Black and Latino/Latina urban youth. In that context, she examines the situation for women, particularly women of color, as they interact with an often patriarchal, sexist culture. ZMI 2007. 60 mins.

WOMEN AGAINST WARS, WARS AGAINST WOMEN



With Nawal el Saddawi (Egypt), Arundhati Roy (India), Saher Saba (Afghanistan), & Irene Khan (Bangladesh)

Nawal el Saddawi debunks “post-feminism”; Arundhati Roy talks about the massacre and rape of Muslim women in India in 2002; Saher Saba reports on the situation for women in Afghanistan; Irene Khan tells of conditions for women in many parts of the world. WSF 2004. 51 mins.

Z SESSION ON VISION & STRATEGY 1 (there are two presentations on each DVD; filmed June 2006)

WORKER OCCUPIED FACTORIES IN ARGENTINA

Presentation by Marie Trigona

In “Worker Occupied Factories in Argentina,” Trigona talks about new forms of working together in the many worker occupied factories there.

BUILDING A PARECONISH MOVEMENT

Presentation by Michael Albert

In “Building a Pareconish Movement” Albert outlines principles and values of parecon and the economic institutions that could foster those values; and he makes the case for prioritizing vision and strategy in activist efforts. 108 mins.

Z SESSION ON VISION & STRATEGY 2

RACE, CULTURE, AND LEFTISTS

Presentation by Justin Podur

Podur explores issues of race and multi-culturalism. He questions assumptions about “people of color” as a homogenous group and argues for recognition of multiple, overlapping identities.



AUTONOMOUS POLITICS

Presentation by Ezequiel Adamovsky

Adamovsky strategizes about a possible nonhierarchical umbrella structure for activist groups. 110 mins.

Z SESSIONS VISION AND STRATEGY 3

KINSHIP VISION

Presentation by Cynthia Peters

Peters explores what values family arrangements have and don't have. She looks specifically at sexist divisions of parenting and at sexuality. Finally, she argues for caretaking as a category for inclusion in people's “balanced life job complexes.”

RAWA AND FEMINIST STRATEGY

Presentation by Sonali Kolhatkar

Kolhatkar offers a detailed description of the origins of RAWA (Revolutionary Association of the Women of Afghanistan). She draw lessons from their organizing strategies, structure, and process. 80 mins

Z SESSIONS ON VISION & STRATEGY 4**A POLITICAL SYSTEM FOR A GOOD SOCIETY**

Presentation by Stephen R. Shalom

Shalom critiques some of the various left options for decision-making institutions in a good society. He covers Leninism, representative democracy, referendum democracy, and autonomous communities. Finally, he argues for a type of direct democracy with a system of nested councils linked to each other.

CONSTITUTIONAL INSURGENCY

Presentation by Jeremy Brecher

Brecher argues for an activism that includes subverting sovereign states through the use of constitutional insurgency. He describes some examples of successful actions (war crimes tribunals, civil rights movements) to change repressive international law. 90 mins.

Z SESSIONS ON VISION & STRATEGY 5**UNIONISM AND WORKERS' LIBERATION**

Presentation by Tom Wetzel

Wetzel describes ways the working class can liberate itself from capitalist ownership, managers, and Mafia-style union hierarchies. He argues for a new labor movement and self-managed worker organizations.

**POWER & REVOLUTION:
DON'T MOURN, BALKANIZE**

Presented by Andrej Grubacic

Grubacic argues for unthinking our inherited, narrow-minded left paradigms, focusing on the lessons of the anarchist project for liberatory social change. 100 mins.

Z VIDEO PRODUCTIONS IS DISTRIBUTING:**A SPACE 4 PEACE**

By Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space

A 38-minute documentary about the Bush administration's revival of the old Star Wars program and the growing movement of protest and resistance. Special price of \$15.

**COMPAÑERAS**

Four South American women's lives

A moving documentary about the lives of four South American working women: Magdalena works on a small farm; Karina is a train conductor; Regina sells cardboard from the streets; Nina is a militant who participated in the Sandinista revolution. Produced in 2005 by

Grupo Alavío. Spanish with English subtitles. 2005. 40 mins.

THE SHED SESSIONS

A video series on Participatory Economics with Michael Albert & Robin Hahnel, the Shed Sessions are seven videos of material giving a detailed treatment of participatory economic vision and related issues. Discussion format. Filmed at Z, Woods Hole, MA, 2000.

1. **VISION & VALUES:** Focusing on equity, self-management, solidarity, and diversity, Albert and Hahnel explain why aspiring to desirable values requires us to reject existing economic structures and develop a new vision to work toward. 45 mins.

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