

Changing Venezuela By Taking Power

IF YOU ALLY INFATUATION SUCH A REFERRED **CHANGING VENEZUELA BY TAKING POWER** EBOOK THAT WILL HAVE ENOUGH MONEY YOU WORTH, GET THE CERTAINLY BEST SELLER FROM US CURRENTLY FROM SEVERAL PREFERRED AUTHORS. IF YOU DESIRE TO HUMOROUS BOOKS, LOTS OF NOVELS, TALE, JOKES, AND MORE FICTIONS COLLECTIONS ARE WITH LAUNCHED, FROM BEST SELLER TO ONE OF THE MOST CURRENT RELEASED.

YOU MAY NOT BE PERPLEXED TO ENJOY ALL BOOKS COLLECTIONS CHANGING VENEZUELA BY TAKING POWER THAT WE WILL NO QUESTION OFFER. IT IS NOT IN THIS AREA THE COSTS. ITS JUST ABOUT WHAT YOU DEPENDENCE CURRENTLY. THIS CHANGING VENEZUELA BY TAKING POWER, AS ONE OF THE MOST OPERATIONAL SELLERS HERE WILL NO QUESTION BE IN THE MIDST OF THE BEST OPTIONS TO REVIEW.

THE CONFRONTATIONAL 'US AND THEM' DYNAMICS OF POLARISED POLITICS IN VENEZUELA YBISKAY GONZALEZ TORRES 2021
THIS STUDY TAKES A DEEP DIVE INTO THE POLITICAL POLARISATION IN VENEZUELA, A COUNTRY WITH ALMOST TWO DECADES OF CONFLICT BETWEEN CHAVISMO AND THE OPPOSITION DISPUTING THE MEANING OF DEMOCRACY.

POPULISM IN VENEZUELA RYAN BRADING 2013 A THEORETICAL AND EMPIRICAL ACCOUNT OF POPULISM IN VENEZUELA; THIS BOOK ANALYSES THE EMERGENCE, FORMATION, REPRODUCTION AND RESISTANCE TO A LEFT-WING POPULIST PROJECT IN A MAJOR WORLD OIL PRODUCER.

CHAVEZ, VENEZUELA AND THE NEW LATIN AMERICA HUGO CHAVEZ 2005 "THIS BOOK DOCUMENTS AN ENCOUNTER BETWEEN VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT HUGO CHAVEZ, AND ALEIDA GUEVARA, DAUGHTER OF THE LEGENDARY REVOLUTIONARY CHE GUEVARA AND A PROMINENT FIGURE IN THE ANTIGLOBALIZATION MOVEMENT. OVER THE COURSE OF AN EXTENDED, EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW, CHAVEZ EXPLAINED HIS FIERCELY NATIONALIST VISION FOR VENEZUELA, THE WORLDWIDE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE BOLIVARIAN REVOLUTION AND HIS COMMITMENT TO A UNITED LATIN AMERICA. THEIR CONVERSATION, WHICH WAS AT TIMES REMARKABLY INTIMATE, ALSO COVERED CHAVEZ'S PERSONAL POLITICAL FORMATION AND THE LEGACY OF CHE'S IDEAS AND EXAMPLE IN LATIN AMERICA TODAY. INCLUDED AS AN APPENDIX IS AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH JORGE GARCIA CARNEIRO, VENEZUELA'S MINISTER FOR DEFENSE, WHO PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN DEFEATING THE APRIL 2002 COUP. TODAY HE IS IN THE FOREFRONT OF THE PROJECT TO TRANSFORM VENEZUELA'S ARMY INTO AN ARMY OF THE PEOPLE."--BOOK JACKET.

ONLY THE PEOPLE CAN SAVE THE PEOPLE DONALD V. KINGSBURY 2018-04-25 EXAMINES THE EGALITARIAN, CREATIVE, AND INCLUSIVE PRACTICE OF RADICAL DEMOCRACY IN CONTEMPORARY VENEZUELA. IN A GLOBAL HISTORICAL MOMENT OF GROWING MOBILIZATIONS AGAINST INEQUALITY, CORRUPTION, AND EXCLUSION, ONLY THE PEOPLE CAN SAVE THE PEOPLE ILLUSTRATES THE NECESSITY AND CHALLENGES OF MORE EGALITARIAN APPROACHES TO COLLECTIVE LIFE FROM ONE OF THE MOST TUMULTUOUS AND COMPELLING EXPERIMENTS IN RADICAL DEMOCRACY. DONALD V. KINGSBURY EXAMINES TWENTY-FIRST-CENTURY VENEZUELAN POLITICS FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF CONSTITUENT POWER. THE EGALITARIAN, CREATIVE, AND INCLUSIVE PRACTICE OF RADICAL DEMOCRACY. IN THE AFTERMATH OF NEOLIBERAL STRUCTURAL ADJUSTMENT, VENEZUELAN POLITICS HAVE BEEN INCREASINGLY RECONFIGURED ACCORDING TO PRINCIPLES OF AUTOGESTION (SELF-MANAGEMENT), SOCIAL MOVEMENT AUTONOMY, PROTAGONISTIC AND PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY, AND ANTI-CAPITALISM. HOWEVER, INHERITED AND INTENSIFYING CHALLENGES ARISING FROM VENEZUELA'S STATUS AS A PETROSTATE, THE CLASS AND RACIAL DIVISIONS THAT DEFINE ITS SOCIETY, AND THE DIFFICULTIES OF DEFINING WHAT HUGO CHAVEZ TERMED "SOCIALISM FOR THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY" HAVE RESULTED IN A TUMULTUOUS PROCESS OF SOCIAL CHANGE. INFORMED BY ETHNOGRAPHY, CONTEMPORARY AND COMPARATIVE POLITICAL THOUGHT, AND GLOBAL POLITICAL ECONOMY, ONLY THE PEOPLE CAN SAVE THE PEOPLE DEMONSTRATES HOW CONSTITUENT POWER IS SHAPING COLLECTIVE IDENTITY, POLITICAL CONFLICT, AND INFRASTRUCTURAL SPACE IN CONTEMPORARY LATIN AMERICA. DONALD V. KINGSBURY IS LECTURER IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AND LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.

GLOBAL ENTERTAINMENT MEDIA: A CRITICAL INTRODUCTION LEE ARTZ 2015-02-09 BALANCING PROVOCATIVE CRITICISM WITH CLEAR EXPLANATIONS OF COMPLEX IDEAS, THIS STUDENT-FRIENDLY INTRODUCTION INVESTIGATES THE CRUCIAL ROLE GLOBAL ENTERTAINMENT MEDIA HAS PLAYED IN THE EMERGENCE OF TRANSITIONAL CAPITALISM. EXAMINES THE INFLUENCE OF GLOBAL ENTERTAINMENT MEDIA ON THE EMERGENCE OF TRANSNATIONAL CAPITALISM, PROVIDING A FRAMEWORK FOR EXPLAINING AND UNDERSTANDING WORLD CULTURE AS PART OF CHANGING CLASS RELATIONS AND MEDIA PRACTICES. USES ACTION ADVENTURE MOVIES TO DEMONSTRATE THE COMPLEX RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INTERNATIONAL MEDIA POLITICAL ECONOMY, ENTERTAINMENT CONTENT,

GLOBAL CULTURE, AND CULTURAL HEGEMONY DRAWS ON EXAMPLES OF PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY MEDIA IN VENEZUELA AND LATIN AMERICA TO ILLUSTRATE THE RELATIONS BETWEEN GOVERNMENT POLICIES, MEDIA STRUCTURES, PUBLIC ACCESS TO MEDIA, AND MEDIA CONTENT ENGAGINGLY WRITTEN WITH CRISP AND CONTROVERSIAL COMMENTARY TO BOTH INFORM AND ENTERTAIN READERS INCLUDES STUDENT-FRIENDLY FEATURES SUCH AS FULLY-INTEGRATED CALL OUT BOXES WITH DEFINITIONS OF TERMS AND CONCEPTS, AND LISTS AND SUMMARIES OF TRANSNATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT MEDIA

THE CHAVEZ CODE EVA GOLINGER 2007 -- EXPOSES THE CIA'S ATTEMPTS TO BRING DOWN LATIN AMERICA'S MOST POPULAR LEADER -- 'EVA GOLINGER'S BOOK IS THE ANTIDOTE TO [THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION'S] POISONOUS PROPAGANDA [ABOUT HUGO CHAVEZ]. ... WELL WRITTEN, WITH SOLID EVIDENCE, THIS IS THE POLITICAL SURVIVAL GUIDE TO THE LAND OF THE NEXT OIL WAR.' GREG PALAST, AUTHOR OF THE BEST DEMOCRACY MONEY CAN BUY WHEN IN 2005 THE CHRISTIAN FUNDAMENTALIST PAT ROBERTSON CALLED FOR CHAVEZ'S ASSASSINATION, PUBLIC OUTCRY FORCED SOME QUESTIONS: WAS THAT A CIA GOAL? DID THE US HAVE PLANS TO INVAD VENEZUELA? AND EXACTLY WHAT WAS THE EXTENT OF US INVOLVEMENT IN THE APRIL 2002 COUP AGAINST CHAVEZ? VENEZUELAN-AMERICAN ATTORNEY EVA GOLINGER USES DOCUMENTS OBTAINED UNDER THE US FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT TO LAY OUT IRREFUTABLE EVIDENCE THAT THE US KNEW ABOUT THE PLOT TO OVERTHROW CHAVEZ BEFORE IT HAPPENED. THE EXTENT OF US FUNDING OF OPPOSITION MOVEMENTS IN VENEZUELA, THE HISTORY OF US INTERVENTIONS ACROSS LATIN AMERICA, THE SUSPICIOUS BLACKED-OUT LINES AND PAGES OF THESE DOCUMENTS, AND THE ONGOING INVESTIGATION SUGGEST EVEN DEEPER US INVOLVEMENT.

VENEZUELA SPEAKS! CARLOS MARTINEZ (JOURNALIST) 2010 A COLLECTION OF INTERVIEWS WITH ACTIVISTS AND OTHER CONTRIBUTORS, THIS COMPELLING ORAL HISTORY DETAILS VENEZUELA'S BLOODLESS UPRISING AND REORGANIZATION. FOR THE LAST DECADE, VENEZUELA'S "BOLIVARIAN REVOLUTION" HAS CAPTURED INTERNATIONAL ATTENTION. POVERTY, INEQUALITY, AND UNEMPLOYMENT HAVE ALL DROPPED, WHILE HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND LIVING STANDARDS HAVE SEEN A COMMENSURATE RISE—AND THIS CHRONICLE IS THE REAL, BOTTOM-UP ACCOUNT. THE STORIES SHED LIGHT ON THE COMPLEX FACETS WITHIN THE REVOLUTION, DETAILING THE CHANGE IN SUCH REALITIES AS COMMUNITY MEDIA TO LAND REFORM, COOPERATIVES TO COMMUNAL COUNCILS, AND THE LABOR MOVEMENT TO THE AFRO-VENEZUELAN NETWORK. OFFERING A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE THAN THAT OF THE INTERNATIONAL MAINSTREAM MEDIA, WHICH HAS FOCUSED PREDOMINANTLY ON VENEZUELA'S CONTROVERSIAL PRESIDENT, HUGO CHAVEZ, THESE EXAMPLES OF DEMOCRACY IN ACTION ILLUSTRATE THE VAST CULTURAL, ECONOMIC, AND RACIAL DIFFERENCES WITHIN THE COUNTRY—ALL OF WHICH HAVE IMPACTED THE CURRENT SOUTH AMERICAN STATE.

THE REAL VENEZUELA IAIN BRUCE 2008 A REFRESHING LOOK AT THE MEANING OF SOCIALISM IN VENEZUELA FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF THE COUNTRY'S ORDINARY CITIZENS.

VENEZUELA HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY (1999-2009) CARLOS GONZÁLEZ IRAGO 2013-08-30 THIS STUDY AIMS TO UNDERSTAND THE CENTRALITY OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN VENEZUELA TODAY AND WHAT PHILOSOPHICAL AND POLITICAL MODELS IT HAS PROPOSED.

VENEZUELA JUDITH EWELL 1984 GESCHIEDENIS VAN VENEZUELA IN DE 20E EEUW

MY FIRST LIFE HUGO CHAVEZ 2016-08-23 HUGO CHÁVEZ'S EXTRAORDINARY STORY—IN HIS OWN WORDS HUGO CHÁVEZ, MILITARY OFFICER TURNED LEFT-WING REVOLUTIONARY, WAS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT LATIN AMERICAN LEADERS OF THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY. THIS BOOK TELLS THE STORY OF HIS LIFE UP TO HIS ELECTION AS PRESIDENT IN 1998. THROUGHOUT THIS RIVETING AND HISTORICALLY IMPORTANT ACCOUNT OF HIS EARLY YEARS, CHÁVEZ'S ENERGY AND CHARISMA SHINE THROUGH. AS A YOUNG MAN, HE AWAKENS GRADUALLY TO THE REALITY OF HIS COUNTRY—WHERE HUGE INEQUALITIES PERSIST AND THE MAJORITY OF CITIZENS LIVE IN INDESCRIBABLE POVERTY—AND DECIDES TO ACT. HE GIVES A FASCINATING DESCRIPTION OF GROWING UP IN BARINAS, HIS YEARS IN THE MILITARY ACADEMY, HIS LONG-PLANNED MILITARY CONSPIRACY—THE MOST SIGNIFICANT IN THE HISTORY OF VENEZUELA AND PERHAPS OF LATIN AMERICA—WHICH LED TO HIS UNSUCCESSFUL COUP ATTEMPT OF 1992, AND EVENTUALLY TO HIS POPULAR ELECTORAL VICTORY IN 1998. HIS COLLABORATOR ON THIS BOOK IS IGNACIO RAMONET, THE FAMOUS FRENCH JOURNALIST (AND EDITOR FOR MANY YEARS OF LE MONDE DIPLOMATIQUE), WHO UNDERTOOK A SIMILAR TASK WITH FIDEL CASTRO (FIDEL CASTRO: MY LIFE).

DEMOCRACY, REVOLUTION AND GEOPOLITICS IN LATIN AMERICA LUIS FERNANDO ANOSTO-FERNÁNDEZ 2013-11-12 HUGO CHÁVEZ WON RE-ELECTION IN THE 2012 VENEZUELAN PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, DESPITE A CLOSER MARGIN BETWEEN CANDIDATES THAN IN PREVIOUS ELECTIONS. THE RESULTS WERE PUZZLING FOR THOSE WHO BELIEVED THAT CHÁVEZ'S GOVERNMENT HAD LONG AGO REACHED ITS LIMITS, WHILE CHÁVEZ'S SUPPORTERS WERE STRUCK BY THE GROWTH OF THE OPPOSITION VOTE. THUS UNDERSTANDING THE VENEZUELAN ELECTION OF 2012 HAS PROVED TO BE CHALLENGING, WITH VARIOUS RECENT STUDIES FOCUSED

UPON IT. LUIS F. ANGOSTO FERRER AND ENRIQUE ANDRÉS' BOOK ADVANCES TWO IDEAS NOT PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED: THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ELECTORAL BEHAVIOR IN VENEZUELA AND CONTEMPORARY LATIN AMERICAN GEOPOLITICS, AND THE WAY THAT RELATIONSHIP IS PROJECTED THROUGH THE CANDIDATES' APPEAL TO NARRATIVES THAT SITUATE VENEZUELA AT THE CORE OF A HEROIC LATIN AMERICAN TRADITION AND OF A NEW REGIONAL PROCESS OF INTEGRATION. THIS EDITED VOLUME FIRST CONTEXTUALIZES AND EXPLAINS THE RESULTS OF THE LAST RE-ELECTION OF HUGO CHÁVEZ IN TERMS OF ITS GEOPOLITICAL CONDITIONINGS AND IMPLICATIONS. CONTRIBUTORS TACKLE LATIN AMERICAN GEOPOLITICS BY ANALYZING VENEZUELAN FOREIGN POLICY AND THE COUNTRY'S ROLE IN CONTINENTAL PROJECTS OF SUPRA-NATIONAL INTEGRATION. CONTRIBUTORS ALSO EXAMINE ELECTORAL STRATEGY AND TACTICS IN ORDER TO SHOW HOW THE TWO MAIN CANDIDATES BUILT THEIR CAMPAIGN ON EMOTIONAL GROUNDS AS MUCH ON RATIONAL ONES. THIS WILL BE CONNECTED TO THE INVESTIGATION OF NEW NARRATIVES OF NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION IN CONTEMPORARY VENEZUELA AND HOW THEY MAY HAVE PRACTICAL IMPLICATIONS IN THE DESIGN OF POLICIES ADDRESSING ISSUES SUCH AS INDIGENOUS RIGHTS, COMMUNITY MEDIA AND NATIONAL SECURITY. COMPILING STATE-OF-THE-ART RESEARCH ON LATIN AMERICAN AND VENEZUELAN POLITICS, THIS BOOK WILL APPEAL TO ACADEMICS AND PROFESSIONALS WHO SPECIALIZE IN LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, DEMOCRACY, AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES.

THE OXFORD COMPANION TO COMPARATIVE POLITICS CRAIG N. MURPHY 2012-10-25 FILLS A GAP IN SCHOLARSHIP ON AN INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT FIELD WITHIN POLITICAL SCIENCE. COMPARATIVE POLITICS, THE DISCIPLINE DEVOTED TO THE POLITICS OF OTHER COUNTRIES OR PEOPLES, HAS BEEN STEADILY GAINING PROMINENCE AS A FIELD OF STUDY, ALLOWING POLITICS TO BE VIEWED FROM A WIDER FOUNDATION THAN A CONCENTRATION ON DOMESTIC AFFAIRS WOULD PERMIT.

BUSH VERSUS CHÁVEZ EVA GOLINGER 2008 "IN THIS REVEALING NEW STUDY, EVA GOLINGER EMPLOYS DECLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS, OBTAINED THROUGH THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, AND A VARIETY OF INTERNATIONAL SOURCES TO UNCOVER AN ONGOING CAMPAIGN TO CONTAIN AND CRIPPLE THE DEMOCRATICALLY ELECTED GOVERNMENT OF LATIN AMERICA'S LEADING OIL POWER. [THIS BOOK] DETAILS HOW MILLIONS OF U.S. TAXPAYER DOLLARS ARE BEING USED TO FUND GROUPS - SUCH AS THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR DEMOCRACY, THE UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, AND THE OFFICE FOR TRANSITION - WITH THE EXPRESS PURPOSE OF SUPPORTING COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY GROUPS IN VENEZUELA. IT EXPLORES, AS WELL, A BUILD-UP OF U.S. MILITARY TROOPS, OPERATIONS, AND EXERCISES IN THE CARIBBEAN THAT THREATENS THE VENEZUELAN PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT. [THIS BOOK] EXPOSES WASHINGTON'S EFFORTS TO SUBVERT A SOCIALIST REVOLUTION FOR THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY."--COVER.

POLITICS IN VENEZUELA MICHAEL DERHAM 2010 HUGO CHÁVEZ IS HEAVILY CRITICISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL CLASS AND THE PRESS AND MEDIA. HE IS DISMISSED ACADEMICALLY AS A POPULISTA AND DISMISSED MORE GENERALLY AS A RABBLE ROUSER. HOWEVER, A LOT OF THE CRITICISM AND REPORTING LACKS CONTEXT.

STATE OF HEALTH AMY COOPER 2019-04-02 STATE OF HEALTH TAKES READERS INSIDE ONE OF THE MOST CONTROVERSIAL REGIMES OF THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY—VENEZUELA UNDER HUGO CHÁVEZ—FOR A REVEALING DESCRIPTION OF HOW PEOPLE'S LIVES CHANGED FOR THE BETTER AS THE STATE BEGAN REORGANIZING SOCIETY. WITH LIVELY AND ACCESSIBLE STORYTELLING, AMY COOPER CHRONICLES THE PLEASURE PEOPLE EXPERIENCED ACCESSING GOVERNMENT HEALTH CARE AND IMPROVING THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE. FROM PERSONALIZED DOCTOR'S VISITS TO THERAPEUTIC DANCE CLASSES, NEW HEALTH CARE PROGRAMS PROVIDED MORE THAN MEDICAL SERVICES. STATE OF HEALTH OFFERS A UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE ON THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE BOLIVARIAN REVOLUTION FOR ORDINARY PEOPLE, DEMONSTRATING HOW THE TRANSFORMED HEALTH SYSTEM SUCCEEDED IN EXCITING PEOPLE AND RECOGNIZING HISTORICALLY MARGINALIZED VENEZUELAN AS BODIES WHO MATTERED.

LATIN AMERICA SINCE THE LEFT TURN TULIA G. FALLETI 2017-11-10 IN THE EARLY TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY, THE CITIZENS OF MANY LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES, SUCH AS ARGENTINA, BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, ECUADOR, AND VENEZUELA, ELECTED LEFT-WING GOVERNMENTS, EXPLICITLY REJECTING AND ATTEMPTING TO REVERSE THE POLICIES OF NEOLIBERAL STRUCTURAL ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT THAT HAD PREVAILED IN THE REGION DURING THE 1990s. HOWEVER, IN OTHER COUNTRIES SUCH AS CHILE, COLOMBIA, MEXICO, AND PERU CONTINUITY AND EVEN EXTENSION OF THE NEOLIBERAL AGENDA HAVE BEEN THE NORM. WHAT WERE THE CONSEQUENCES OF REJECTING THE NEOLIBERAL CONSENSUS IN LATIN AMERICA? WHY DID SOME COUNTRIES STAY ON THE NEOLIBERAL COURSE? CONTRIBUTORS TO LATIN AMERICA SINCE THE LEFT TURN ADDRESS THESE QUESTIONS AND MORE AS THEY FRAME THE TENSIONS AND CONTRADICTIONS THAT CURRENTLY CHARACTERIZE LATIN AMERICAN SOCIETIES AND POLITICS. DIVIDED INTO THREE SECTIONS, THE BOOK BEGINS WITH AN EXAMINATION OF THE POLITICAL ECONOMY, FROM MODELS OF DEVELOPMENT, TO TAXATION AND SPENDING PATTERNS, TO REGIONALIZATION OF TRADE AND HUMAN MIGRATION. THE SECOND SECTION ANALYZES THE CHANGES IN DEMOCRACY AND POLITICAL IDENTITIES. THE LAST PART EXPLORES THE THEMES OF CITIZENSHIP, CONSTITUTIONALISM, AND NEW FORMS OF CIVIC PARTICIPATION. WITH ESSAYS BY THE FOREMOST SCHOLARS IN THE FIELD, LATIN AMERICA SINCE THE LEFT TURN NOT ONLY DELVES INTO THE CASES OF SPECIFIC COUNTRIES BUT ALSO SURVEYS THE REGION AS A WHOLE. CONTRIBUTORS:

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THE BATTLE OF VENEZUELA MICHAEL McCAUGHAN 2011-01-04 IN AUGUST 2004, THE VENEZUELAN PUBLIC CAME OUT IN RECORD NUMBERS TO DELIVER AN OVERWHELMING VOTE OF CONFIDENCE. AFTER MANY ATTEMPTS TO UNSEAT HIM, HUGO CHAVEZ, THE FORMER MILITARY MAN WHO TOOK THE COUNTRY FIRST BY COUP AND THEN BY BALLOT, AGAIN EMERGED AS THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE. IT WAS, IN HIS WORDS, "A VICTORY FOR THE PEOPLE OF VENEZUELA." YET DESPITE CHAVEZ'S SUCCESSES, HAVING DEFENDED HIS POST IN SIX REFERENDA, TWO ELECTIONS AND AGAINST ONE FAILED COUP, VENEZUELA—ONE OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST OIL EXPORTING COUNTRIES—IS A NATION DEEPLY DIVIDED. THE POWER STRUGGLE BETWEEN THE COUNTRY'S FIRST INDIGENOUS HEAD OF STATE AND HIS DETRACTORS EXPRESSES A LARGER CONFLICT GRIPPING THE REGION. IN *THE BATTLE OF VENEZUELA*, GUARDIAN REPORTER MICHAEL McCAUGHAN CAPTURES THE DRAMA OF CHALLENGES TO CHAVEZ'S PRESIDENCY IN THE COURTS AND ON THE STREETS OF CARACAS. IN THIS DETAILED ANALYSIS OF THE POLITICAL FORCES AT WORK, McCAUGHAN DOCUMENTS THE ROLE OF THE COUNTRY'S POWERFUL AND SHRINKING MIDDLE CLASS, THE EFFECTS OF CHAVEZ'S SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR HIS MAINLY POOR CONSTITUENTS, AND THE RISE OF THE SOCIAL MOVEMENT WHOSE MEMBERS PROCLAIM THEMSELVES "CHAVEZ VISTAS."

THE REVOLUTIONARY HAS NO CLOTHES A. C. CLARK 2009 IN 'THE REVOLUTIONARY HAS NO CLOTHES', A. C. CLARK CORRECTS THIS WARPED TAKE ON CHAVEZ AND HIS 'BOLIVARIAN REVOLUTION' IN VENEZUELA. CLARK ANALYZES CHAVEZ'S EMBARRASSING PUBLIC DISPLAYS, POLICY PLATFORMS, AND RELATIONSHIPS WITH ROGUE STATES. CLARK EXPOSES THE POSSIBLES CHAVEZ'S AMBITIONS.

DRAGON IN THE TROPICS JAVIER CORRALES 2011-02-01 SINCE HE WAS FIRST ELECTED IN 1999, VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT HUGO CHAVEZ HAS RESHAPED A FRAIL BUT NONETHELESS PLURALISTIC DEMOCRACY INTO A SEMI-AUTHORITARIAN REGIME—AN OUTCOME ACHIEVED WITH SPECTACULARLY HIGH OIL INCOME AND WIDESPREAD ELECTORAL SUPPORT. THIS EYE-OPENING BOOK ILLUMINATES ONE OF THE MOST SWEEPING AND UNEXPECTED POLITICAL TRANSFORMATIONS IN CONTEMPORARY LATIN AMERICA. BASED ON MORE THAN FIFTEEN YEARS' EXPERIENCE IN RESEARCHING AND WRITING ABOUT VENEZUELA, JAVIER CORRALES AND MICHAEL PENFOLD HAVE CRAFTED A COMPREHENSIVE ACCOUNT OF HOW THE CHAVEZ REGIME HAS REVAMPED THE NATION, WITH A PARTICULAR FOCUS ON ITS POLITICAL TRANSFORMATION. THROUGHOUT, THEY TAKE ISSUE WITH CONVENTIONAL EXPLANATIONS. FIRST, THEY ARGUE PERSUASIVELY THAT LIBERAL DEMOCRACY AS AN INSTITUTION WAS NOT TO BLAME FOR THE RISE OF CHAVISMO. SECOND, THEY ASSERT THAT THE NATION'S ECONOMIC AILMENTS WERE NOT CAUSED BY NEOLIBERALISM. INSTEAD THEY BLAME OTHER FACTORS, INCLUDING A DEPENDENCE ON OIL, WHICH CAUSED MACROECONOMIC VOLATILITY; POLITICAL PARTY FRAGMENTATION, WHICH TRIGGERED INFIGHTING; GOVERNMENT MISMANAGEMENT OF THE BANKING CRISIS, WHICH LED TO MORE CENTRALIZATION OF POWER; AND THE ASIAN CRISIS OF 1997, WHICH DEVASTATED VENEZUELA'S ECONOMY AT THE SAME TIME THAT CHAVEZ RAN FOR PRESIDENT. IT IS PERHAPS ON THE ROLE OF OIL THAT THE AUTHORS TAKE GREATEST ISSUE WITH PREVAILING OPINION. THEY DO NOT DISPUTE THAT DEPENDENCE ON OIL CAN GENERATE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC DISTORTIONS—THE "RESOURCE CURSE" OR "PARADOX OF PLENTY" ARGUMENTS—BUT THEY COUNTER THAT OIL ALONE FAILS TO EXPLAIN CHAVEZ'S RISE. INSTEAD THEY SINGLE OUT A WEAK FRAMEWORK OF CHECKS AND BALANCES THAT ALLOWED THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH TO EXTRACT OIL RENTS AND DISTRIBUTE THEM TO THE POPULACE. THE REAL CULPRIT BEHIND CHAVEZ'S SUCCESS, THEY WRITE, WAS THE ASYMMETRY OF POLITICAL POWER.

THE PARADOX OF DEMOCRACY IN LATIN AMERICA KATHERINE ANNE ISBESTER 2010-11-12 INVITING IN TONE AND ORGANIZATION BUT RIGOROUS IN ITS SCHOLARSHIP, *THE PARADOX OF DEMOCRACY IN LATIN AMERICA* FOCUSES ON THE PROBLEMS, SUCCESSES, AND MULTIPLE FORMS OF DEMOCRACY IN LATIN AMERICA. THE OPENING CHAPTERS PROVIDE READERS WITH A THEORETICAL AND CONCEPTUAL LENS THROUGH WHICH TO EXAMINE THE TEN CASE STUDIES, WHICH FOCUS ON MEXICO, GUATEMALA, NICARAGUA, COSTA RICA, COLOMBIA, VENEZUELA, BRAZIL, BOLIVIA, CHILE, AND ARGENTINA. WHAT BECOMES CLEAR THROUGHOUT IS THAT THERE IS A PARADOX AT THE HEART OF LATIN AMERICA'S DEMOCRACIES. DESPITE DECADES OF STRUGGLE TO REPLACE AUTHORITARIAN DICTATORSHIPS WITH ELECTORAL DEMOCRACIES, SOLID ECONOMIC GROWTH (LEADING UP TO THE GLOBAL CREDIT CRISIS), AND INCREASED EFFORTS BY THE STATE TO EXTEND THE BENEFITS OF PEACE AND PROSPERITY TO THE POOR, DEMOCRACY—AS A POLITICAL SYSTEM—IS EXPERIENCING DECLINING SUPPORT, AND SUPPORT FOR AUTHORITARIANISM IS ON THE RISE. *THE PARADOX OF DEMOCRACY IN LATIN AMERICA* DEMONSTRATES THE DEEP DIVISIONS BETWEEN RULERS AND RULED IN LATIN AMERICA THAT UNDERMINE DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES, INSTITUTIONS, AND NORMS.

THE REVENGE OF POWER MOISE NAIM 2022-02-22 MOISE NAIM'S *THE REVENGE OF POWER* IS AN URGENT, THRILLING, AND ORIGINAL LOOK AT THE FUTURE OF DEMOCRACY. IT ILLUMINATES ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT BATTLES OF OUR TIME: THE FUTURE OF FREEDOM AND HOW TO CONTAIN AND DEFEAT THE AUTOCRATS MUSHROOMING AROUND THE WORLD. IN HIS BESTSELLING BOOK

THE END OF POWER, MOISÉS NAJEM EXAMINED POWER-DILUTING FORCES. IN THE REVENGE OF POWER, NAJEM TURNS TO THE TRENDS, CONDITIONS, TECHNOLOGIES AND BEHAVIORS THAT ARE CONTRIBUTING TO THE CONCENTRATION OF POWER, AND TO THE CLASH BETWEEN THOSE FORCES THAT WEAKEN POWER AND THOSE THAT STRENGTHEN IT. HE CONCENTRATES ON THE THREE “P”S—POPULISM, POLARIZATION, AND POST-TRUTHS. ALL OF WHICH ARE AS OLD AS TIME, BUT ARE COMBINED BY TODAY’S AUTOCRATS TO UNDERMINE DEMOCRATIC LIFE IN NEW AND FRIGHTENING WAYS. POWER HAS NOT CHANGED. BUT THE WAY PEOPLE GO ABOUT GAINING IT AND USING IT HAS BEEN TRANSFORMED. THE REVENGE OF POWER IS PACKED WITH ALLURING CHARACTERS, RIVETING STORIES ABOUT POWER GRABS AND LOSSES, AND VIVID EXAMPLES OF THE TRICKS AND TACTICS USED BY AUTOCRATS TO COUNTER THE FORCES THAT ARE WEAKENING THEIR POWER. IT CONNECTS THE DOTS BETWEEN GLOBAL EVENTS AND POLITICAL TACTICS THAT, WHEN TAKEN TOGETHER, SHOW A PROFOUND AND OFTEN STEALTHY TRANSFORMATION IN POWER AND POLITICS WORLDWIDE. USING THE BEST AVAILABLE DATA AND INSIGHTS TAKEN FROM RECENT RESEARCH IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES, NAJEM REVEALS HOW, ON CLOSE EXAMINATION, THE SAME SET OF STRATEGIES TO CONSOLIDATE POWER POP UP AGAIN AND AGAIN IN PLACES WITH VASTLY DIFFERENT POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, AND SOCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES, AND OFFERS INSIGHTS ABOUT WHAT CAN BE DONE TO ENSURE THAT FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY PREVAIL. THE OUTCOMES OF THESE BATTLES FOR POWER WILL DETERMINE IF OUR FUTURE WILL BE MORE AUTOCRATIC OR MORE DEMOCRATIC. NAJEM ADDRESSES THE QUESTIONS AT THE HEART OF THE MATTER: WHY IS POWER CONCENTRATING IN SOME PLACES WHILE IN OTHERS IT IS FRAGMENTING AND DEGRADING? AND THE BIG QUESTION: WHAT IS THE FUTURE OF FREEDOM?

CHANGING VENEZUELA BY TAKING POWER GREGORY WILPERT 2007 VENEZUELA UNDER HUGO CHAVEZ COULD BE A MODEL FOR PEACEFUL REVOLUTIONOR, AS THIS DEFINITIVE HISTORY SHOWS, IT COULD ALL BE UNDONE BY THE SPECTRES OF THE PAST. SINCE COMING TO POWER IN 1998, THE CHAVEZ GOVERNMENT HAS INSPIRED BOTH FIERCE INTERNAL DEBATE AND HORROR AMONGST WESTERN GOVERNMENTS ACCUSTOMED TO COUNTING ON AN OBEISANT REGIME IN THE OIL-RICH STATE. IS VENEZUELA GOING THROUGH A PEACEFUL, DEMOCRATIC “BOLIVARIAN REVOLUTION,” WITH THE COUNTRY’S POOR BECOMING POLITICALLY ENGAGED AND BEGINNING TO SHARE ITS OIL WEALTH? OR IS CHAVEZ LEADING HIS COUNTRY TOWARDS LATIN AMERICAN CAUDILLISMO AT BEST, OR CASTRO-STYLE COMMUNISM AT WORST? IN THIS RICH AND RESOURCEFUL STUDY, GREG WILPERT EXPOSES THE SELF-SERVING LOGIC BEHIND MUCH MIDDLE-CLASS OPPOSITION TO VENEZUELA’S ELECTED LEADER, AND EXPLAINS THE REAL REASON FOR THEIR ALARM. HE ARGUES THAT THE CHAVEZ GOVERNMENT HAS INSTITUTED ONE OF THE WORLD’S MOST PROGRESSIVE CONSTITUTIONS, BUT WARNS THAT THEY HAVE YET TO OVERCOME THE DANGEROUS SPECTRES OF THE COUNTRY’S PAST: ITS CULTURE OF PATRONAGE AND CLIENTELISM, ITS CORRUPTION, AND ITS SUPPORT FOR PERSONALITY CULTS ALL OF THEM FUELLED BY THE ATTENTION AND INTERFERENCE OF A SUCCESSION OF US ADMINISTRATIONS.

THE RINGTONE DIALECTIC SUMANTH GOPINATH 2013-07-19 THE RISE AND FALL OF THE RINGTONE INDUSTRY AND ITS EFFECT ON MOBILE ENTERTAINMENT, MUSIC, TELEVISION, FILM, AND POLITICS. A DECADE AGO, THE CUSTOMIZABLE RINGTONE WAS UBIQUITOUS. ALMOST ANY CROWD OF CELL PHONE OWNERS COULD PRODUCE A CARILLON OF TINKLY, BEEPING, SYNTHY, MUSICALIZED RINGER SIGNALS. RINGTONES QUICKLY BECAME A MULTI-BILLION-DOLLAR GLOBAL INDUSTRY AND ALMOST AS QUICKLY FADED AWAY. IN THE RINGTONE DIALECTIC, SUMANTH GOPINATH CHARTS THE RISE AND FALL OF THE RINGTONE ECONOMY AND ASSESSES ITS EFFECT ON CULTURAL PRODUCTION. GOPINATH DESCRIBES THE TECHNICAL AND ECONOMIC STRUCTURE OF THE RINGTONE INDUSTRY, CONSIDERING THE TRANSFORMATION OF RINGTONES FROM MONOPHONIC, SINGLE-LINE SYNTHESIZER FILES TO POLYPHONIC MIDI FILES TO DIGITAL SOUND FILES AND THE CONCOMITANT CHANGE IN THE NATURE OF CAPITAL AND RENT ACCUMULATION WITHIN THE INDUSTRY. HE DISCUSSES SOCIOCULTURAL PRACTICES THAT SEEMED TO WANE AS A RESULT OF THESE SHIFTS, INCLUDING RINGTONE LABOR, CERTAIN FORMS OF MUSICAL NOTATION AND REPRESENTATION, AND THE CREATION OF MUSICAL AND ARTISTIC WORKS QUOTING RINGTONES. GOPINATH EXAMINES “DECLINES,” “REVERSALS,” AND “REVIVALS” OF CULTURAL FORMS ASSOCIATED WITH THE RINGTONE AND ITS CHANGES, INCLUDING THE CRAZY FROG FAD, THE USE OF RINGTONES IN POLITICAL MOVEMENTS (AS IN THE PHILIPPINE “GLORIGATE” SCANDAL), THE RINGTONE’S NARRATIVE FUNCTION IN FILM AND TELEVISION (INCLUDING ITS STRIKING USE IN THE FILMS OF THE CHINESE DIRECTOR JIA ZHANGKE), AND THE RINGTONE’S RELATION TO POP MUSIC (INCLUDING POSSIBLE RACE AND CLASS ASPECTS OF RINGTONE CONSUMPTION). FINALLY, GOPINATH CONSIDERS THE ATTEMPT TO REBRAND RINGTONES AS “MOBILE MUSIC” AND THE EMERGENCE OF CLOUD COMPUTING.

VENEZUELA MIGUEL TINKER SALAS 2015-04-02 AMONG THE TOP TEN OIL EXPORTERS IN THE WORLD AND A FOUNDING MEMBER OF OPEC, VENEZUELA CURRENTLY SUPPLIES 11 PERCENT OF U.S. CRUDE OIL IMPORTS. BUT WHEN THE COUNTRY ELECTED THE FIERY POPULIST POLITICIAN HUGO CHAVEZ IN 1998, TENSIONS ROSE WITH THIS KEY TRADING PARTNER AND RELATIONS HAVE BEEN STRAINED EVER SINCE. IN THIS CONCISE, ACCESSIBLE ADDITION TO OXFORD’S WHAT EVERYONE NEEDS TO KNOW® SERIES, MIGUEL TINKER SALAS -- A NATIVE OF VENEZUELA WHO HAS WRITTEN EXTENSIVELY ABOUT THE COUNTRY -- TAKES A BROADLY CHRONOLOGICAL APPROACH THAT FOCUSES ESPECIALLY ON OIL AND ITS EFFECTS ON VENEZUELA’S POLITICS, ECONOMY, CULTURE, AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. AFTER AN INTRODUCTORY SECTION THAT DISCUSSES THE LEGACY OF SPANISH COLONIALISM, TINKER SALAS EXPLORES THE “THE ERA OF THE GUSHER,” A PERIOD WHICH BEGAN WITH THE DISCOVERY OF OIL IN THE EARLY

TWENTIETH CENTURY, ENCOMPASSED THE MID-CENTURY DEVELOPMENT AND NATIONALIZATION OF THE INDUSTRY, AND ENDED WITH A CHANGE OF GOVERNMENT IN 1989 IN RESPONSE TO WIDESPREAD PROTESTS. THE THIRD SECTION PROVIDES A DETAILED DISCUSSION OF HUGO CHAVEZ-HIS RISE TO POWER, HIS DOMESTIC POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC POLICIES, AND HIS HIGH-PROFILE FORAYS INTO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS-AS WELL AS SURVEYING THE CURRENT LANDSCAPE OF VENEZUELA IN THE WAKE OF CHAVEZ'S DEATH IN MARCH 2013. ARRANGED IN A QUESTION-AND-ANSWER FORMAT THAT ALLOWS READERS TO SEARCH TOPICS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST, THE BOOK COVERS QUESTIONS SUCH AS, WHO IS SIMÓN BOLÍVAR AND WHY IS HE CALLED THE GEORGE WASHINGTON OF LATIN AMERICA? HOW DID THE DISCOVERY OF OIL CHANGE VENEZUELA'S RELATIONSHIP TO THE U.S.? WHAT FORCES WERE BEHIND THE COUPS OF 1992? AND HOW DOES VENEZUELA INTERACT WITH CHINA, RUSSIA, AND IRAN? INFORMATIVE, ENGAGING, AND WRITTEN BY A LEADING EXPERT ON THE COUNTRY, VENEZUELA: WHAT EVERYONE NEEDS TO KNOW® OFFERS AN AUTHORITATIVE GUIDE TO AN INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT PLAYER ON THE WORLD STAGE. WHAT EVERYONE NEEDS TO KNOW® IS A REGISTERED TRADEMARK OF OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS.

THE REVOLUTIONARY HAS NO CLOTHES A. C. CLARK 2010-06-29 DURING THE FORT OR SO YEARS THAT PRECEDED HUGO CHAVEZ'S SEIZING OF POWER, VENEZUELA HAD THE MOST STABLE DEMOCRACY IN LATIN AMERICA. THANKS ABOVE ALL TO ITS IMMENSE OIL REVENUES, VENEZUELA ENJOYED THE FASTEST-GROWING ECONOMY AND THE HIGHEST STANDARD OF LIVING IN THE REGION. AFTER CHAVEZ SEIZED POWER IN 1999, HOWEVER, THINGS HAVE CHANGED RADICALLY. TODAY, VENEZUELA CAN NO LONGER BE SEEN AS A DEMOCRACY AND RATHER THAN ATTRACTING IMMIGRANTS AS IT ONCE DID, VENEZUELAN'S THEMSELVES ARE FLEEING THE COUNTRY. YET, SOMEHOW, THE VAST MAJORITY OF CONTEMPORARY REFERENCES TO VENEZUELA ARE LAUDATORY. IN HUGO CHAVEZ: THE REVOLUTIONARY HAS NO CLOTHES, A.C. CLARK CORRECTS THIS WARPED TAKE ON HUGO CHAVEZ AND THE "BOLIVARIAN REVOLUTION" IN VENEZUELA AND SKEWERS THOSE GROTESQUELY ADMIRING PORTRAITS OF MR. CHAVEZ PAINTED BY PANEGRISTS FROM NOAM CHOMSKY TO SEAN PENN. CLARK EXPLORES CHAVEZ'S EMBARRASSING PUBLIC DISPLAYS, PERILOUS POLICY PLATFORMS, AND CLOSE RELATIONSHIPS WITH ROGUE STATES TO REVEAL CHAVEZ FOR WHAT HE TRULY IS: A REVOLUTIONARY "BUFFOON" LEADING A ONCE PROSPEROUS NATION DOWN A PATH TO RUIN. MOST SHOCKINGLY, CLARK EXPOSES CHAVEZ'S AMBITIONS FOR ASYMMETRICAL WARFARE AGAINST THE UNITED STATES AND VENEZUELA'S INSIDIOUS LOBBYING NETWORK WITHIN OUR OWN COUNTRY. IN THE END, HUGO CHAVEZ: THE REVOLUTIONARY HAS NO CLOTHES IS THE DEFINITIVE PORTRAIT OF ONE OF THE WORLD'S DEPRAVED LEADERS AND A DISTURBING CHRONICLE OF VENEZUELA'S DECLINE FROM A PROSPEROUS DEMOCRACY TO AN AUTOCRATIC BULLY-STATE.

THE END OF POWER MOISES NAIM 2014-03-11 WE KNOW THAT POWER IS SHIFTING: FROM WEST TO EAST AND NORTH TO SOUTH, FROM PRESIDENTIAL PALACES TO PUBLIC SQUARES, FROM ONCE FORMIDABLE CORPORATE BEHEMOTHS TO NIMBLE STARTUPS AND, SLOWLY BUT SURELY, FROM MEN TO WOMEN. BUT POWER IS NOT MERELY SHIFTING AND DISPERSING. IT IS ALSO DECAYING. THOSE IN POWER TODAY ARE MORE CONSTRAINED IN WHAT THEY CAN DO WITH IT AND MORE AT RISK OF LOSING IT THAN EVER BEFORE. IN *THE END OF POWER*, AWARD-WINNING COLUMNIST AND FORMER FOREIGN POLICY EDITOR MOISÉS NAÍM ILLUMINATES THE STRUGGLE BETWEEN ONCE-DOMINANT MEGAPLAYERS AND THE NEW MICROPOWERS CHALLENGING THEM IN EVERY FIELD OF HUMAN ENDEAVOR. DRAWING ON PROVOCATIVE, ORIGINAL RESEARCH, NAÍM SHOWS HOW THE ANTIESTABLISHMENT DRIVE OF MICROPOWERS CAN TOPPLE TYRANTS, DISLodge MONOPOLIES, AND OPEN REMARKABLE NEW OPPORTUNITIES, BUT IT CAN ALSO LEAD TO CHAOS AND PARALYSIS. NAÍM DEFTLY COVERS THE SEISMIC CHANGES UNDERWAY IN BUSINESS, RELIGION, EDUCATION, WITHIN FAMILIES, AND IN ALL MATTERS OF WAR AND PEACE. EXAMPLES ABOUND IN ALL WALKS OF LIFE: IN 1977, EIGHTY-NINE COUNTRIES WERE RULED BY AUTOCRATS WHILE TODAY MORE THAN HALF THE WORLD'S POPULATION LIVES IN DEMOCRACIES. CEO'S ARE MORE CONSTRAINED AND HAVE SHORTER TENURES THAN THEIR PREDECESSORS. MODERN TOOLS OF WAR, CHEAPER AND MORE ACCESSIBLE, MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR GROUPS LIKE HEZBOLLAH TO AFFORD THEIR OWN DRONES. IN THE SECOND HALF OF 2010, THE TOP TEN HEDGE FUNDS EARNED MORE THAN THE WORLD'S LARGEST SIX BANKS COMBINED. THOSE IN POWER RETAIN IT BY ERECTING POWERFUL BARRIERS TO KEEP CHALLENGERS AT BAY. TODAY, INSURGENT FORCES DISMANTLE THOSE BARRIERS MORE QUICKLY AND EASILY THAN EVER, ONLY TO FIND THAT THEY THEMSELVES BECOME VULNERABLE IN THE PROCESS. ACCESSIBLE AND CAPTIVATING, NAÍM OFFERS A REVOLUTIONARY LOOK AT THE INEVITABLE END OF POWER—AND HOW IT WILL CHANGE YOUR WORLD.

FROM THE STREETS TO THE STATE PAUL CHRISTOPHER GRAY 2018-05-23 BLENDS ACADEMIC AND ACTIVIST PERSPECTIVES TO EXPLORE RECENT EMANCIPATORY STRUGGLES TO WIN AND TRANSFORM STATE POWER. FOR DECADES, EMANCIPATORY STRUGGLES HAVE BEEN DEEPLY INFLUENCED BY THE SLOGAN "CHANGE THE WORLD WITHOUT TAKING POWER." AMID GROWING SOCIAL INEQUALITIES AND THE RETURN OF RIGHT-WING AUTHORITARIANISM, HOWEVER, MANY NOW RECOGNIZE THE LIMITS OF DISENGAGING FROM GOVERNMENT AND THE STATE. *FROM THE STREETS TO THE STATE* CHRONICLES MANY DIVERSE AND EXCITING PROJECTS TO NOT ONLY TAKE STATE POWER BUT TO FUNDAMENTALLY CHANGE IT. A BLEND OF SCHOLARS AND ACTIVISTS EXPLORE ISSUES LIKE THE NONSECTARIAN RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN NEW RADICAL LEFT PARTIES, EGALITARIAN SOCIAL MOVEMENTS, AND LABOR MOVEMENTS IN GREECE, GERMANY, SPAIN, PORTUGAL, AND TURKEY. CONTRIBUTORS DISCUSS MUNICIPAL CAMPAIGNS BASED IN POPULAR ASSEMBLIES, SOLIDARITY ECONOMIES, AND INDEPENDENT POLITICAL ORGANIZATIONS FIGHTING FOR RACIAL, GENDER, AND ECONOMIC

JUSTICE IN CITIES SUCH AS JACKSON, VANCOUVER, AND NEWCASTLE. THIS VOLUME ALSO STUDIES THE LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE PINK TIDE IN LATIN AMERICA AS WELL AS THE SOCIAL MOVEMENTS OF RACIALIZED AND GENDERED WORKERS TRANSFORMING HUMAN RIGHTS ACROSS THE UNITED STATES. FINALLY, THE BOOK OFFERS CASE STUDIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD SURVEYING THE ROLE OF STATE WORKERS AND PUBLIC SECTOR UNIONS IN RADICALLY DEMOCRATIZING PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION THROUGH COALITIONS BETWEEN THE PROVIDERS AND USERS OF PUBLIC SERVICES.

REBEL GIRLS JESSICA K. TAFT 2010-12-02 FROM ANTI-WAR WALKOUTS TO ANARCHIST YOUTH NEWSPAPERS, RALLIES AGAINST EDUCATIONAL PRIVATIZATION, AND WORKSHOPS ON FAIR TRADE, TEENAGE GIRLS ARE ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS AND LEADERS IN A VARIETY OF SOCIAL MOVEMENTS. **REBEL GIRLS: YOUTH ACTIVISM AND SOCIAL CHANGE ACROSS THE AMERICAS** ILLUMINATES THE EXPERIENCES AND PERSPECTIVES OF THESE UNIQUELY POSITIONED AGENTS OF SOCIAL CHANGE. JESSICA K. TAFT INTRODUCES READERS TO A DIVERSE AND VIBRANT TRANSNATIONAL COMMUNITY OF TEENAGE GIRL ACTIVISTS IN THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA, MEXICO CITY, CARACAS, BUENOS AIRES, AND VANCOUVER. EXPANSIVE IN SCOPE AND FULL OF RICH DETAILS, TAFT BRINGS TO LIFE THE VOICES OF THESE INSPIRING ACTIVISTS WHO ARE ENGAGED IN INNOVATIVE AND EFFECTIVE ORGANIZING FOR GLOBAL AND LOCAL SOCIAL JUSTICE, HIGHLIGHTING THEIR IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL MOVEMENTS AND SOCIAL THEORY. **REBEL GIRLS** EXPLORES HOW TEENAGE GIRLS CONSTRUCT ACTIVIST IDENTITIES, REJECTING AND REDEFINING GIRLHOOD AND CLAIMING POLITICAL AUTHORITY FOR YOUTH IN THE PROCESS. TAFT EXAMINES THE GIRL ACTIVISTS' SOCIAL MOVEMENT STRATEGIES AND COLLECTIVE POLITICAL PRACTICES, DETAILING THEIR SHARED COMMITMENTS TO PROCESS-BASED POLITICAL EDUCATION, PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY, AND HOPEFUL ENTHUSIASM. ULTIMATELY, **REBEL GIRLS** HAS SUBSTANTIAL IMPLICATIONS FOR SOCIAL MOVEMENTS AND YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS, ARGUING THAT ADULT SOCIAL MOVEMENTS COULD LEARN A GREAT DEAL FROM GIRL ACTIVISTS AND MAKING CLEAR THE IMPORTANCE OF INCREASED COLLABORATION BETWEEN YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULTS.

BUILDING THE COMMUNE GEORGE CICCARIELLO-MAHER 2016-11-01 LATIN AMERICA'S EXPERIMENTS IN DIRECT DEMOCRACY SINCE 2011, A WAVE OF POPULAR UPRISINGS HAS SWEEPED THE GLOBE, TAKING SHAPE IN THE OCCUPY MOVEMENT, THE ARAB SPRING, 15M IN SPAIN, AND THE ANTI-AUSTERITY PROTESTS IN GREECE. THE DEMANDS HAVE BEEN VARIED, BUT HAVE EXPRESSED A CONSISTENT COMMITMENT TO THE IDEALS OF RADICAL DEMOCRACY. SIMILAR EXPERIMENTS BEGAN APPEARING ACROSS LATIN AMERICA TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO, JUST AS THE LEFT FELL INTO DECLINE IN EUROPE. IN VENEZUELA, POOR BARRIO RESIDENTS AROSE IN A MASS REBELLION AGAINST NEOLIBERALISM, USHERING IN A GOVERNMENT THAT INSTITUTIONALIZED THE COMMUNES ALREADY FORMING ORGANICALLY. IN **BUILDING THE COMMUNE**, GEORGE CICCARIELLO-MAHER TRAVELS THROUGH THESE RADICAL EXPERIMENTS, SPEAKING TO A BROAD RANGE OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS, WORKERS, STUDENTS AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. ASSESSING THE PROJECTS' SUCCESSES AND FAILURES, **BUILDING THE COMMUNE** PROVIDES LESSONS AND INSPIRATION FOR THE RADICAL MOVEMENTS OF TODAY.

VENEZUELA, ALBA, AND THE LIMITS OF POSTNEOLIBERAL REGIONALISM IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN ASA K. CUSACK 2018-07-13 THIS BOOK PROVIDES A COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION, FUNCTIONING, AND IMPACT OF THE BOLIVARIAN ALLIANCE FOR THE PEOPLES OF OUR AMERICA (ALBA), CORNERSTONE OF VENEZUELAN FOREIGN POLICY AND STANDARD-BEARER OF "POSTNEOLIBERAL" REGIONALISM DURING THE "LEFT TURN" IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (1998-2016). IT REVEALS THAT COOPERATION VIA ALBA'S REGIONALISED SOCIAL MISSIONS, STATE MULTINATIONALS, DEVELOPMENT BANK, PEOPLE'S TRADE AGREEMENT, SUCRE VIRTUAL CURRENCY, AND PETROCARIBE SOFT-LOAN SCHEME HAS OFTEN BEEN HAMPERED BY COMPLEXITY AND CONFLICT BETWEEN THE NATIONAL POLITICAL ECONOMIES OF ECUADOR, DOMINICA, ST VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES, ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA, AND ESPECIALLY VENEZUELA. SHARED COMMITMENTS TO ENDOGENOUS DEVELOPMENT, AUTONOMY WITHIN MULTIPOLARITY, AND NOVEL SOURCES OF LEGITIMACY ARE UNDERMINED BY SERIOUS DEFICIENCIES IN CONTROL AND ACCOUNTABILITY, WHICH STEM LARGELY FROM THE DEFINING INFLUENCE OF VENEZUELA'S DYSFUNCTIONAL ECONOMY AND GOVERNANCE. THIS DUAL DEPENDENCY ON VENEZUELA LEAVES THE FUTURE OF ALBA HANGING IN THE BALANCE.

FREE TRADE AND SOCIAL CONFLICT IN COLOMBIA, PERU AND VENEZUELA RENÉ © DE LA PEDRAJA 2016-08-25 FOREIGN CAPITAL AND FREE TRADE POLICIES HAVE PROVOKED FIERCE CONFLICTS IN SOUTH AMERICA IN RECENT YEARS. PEOPLE IN COLOMBIA AND PERU ENGAGED IN OFTEN VIOLENT CLASHES TO DEFEND THEIR LIVELIHOODS AGAINST THE ENCROACHMENTS OF THE FREE MARKET AND THE IMPOSITIONS OF WALL STREET. FARMERS ORGANIZED TO SAVE THEIR LANDS FROM FOREIGN MINING CORPORATIONS, AND CITIES FOUGHT TO SAVE THEIR WATER FROM CONTAMINATION. NATIVE AMERICANS BLOCKED HIGHWAYS TO PRESERVE ANCESTRAL LANDS, WHILE STUDENTS PARALYZED UNIVERSITIES AND CALLED FOR REFORMS TO HIGHER EDUCATION. THE SHIFT TOWARD SOCIALISM IN VENEZUELA, LED BY PRESIDENT HUGO CHAVEZ, WAS BITTERLY OPPOSED BY PRIVILEGED GROUPS. GOVERNMENTS TRIED TO QUELL THE TURMOIL THROUGH REPRESSION, POLITICAL MANEUVERING AND PROPAGANDA. THIS BOOK PROVIDES A DRAMATIC ACCOUNT OF THE STRUGGLES.

THE REVOLUTIONARY PETRO-STATE ISELIN AASEDOTER STROENEN 2014

HANDBOOK ON DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL CHANGE G. HONOR FAGAN THIS HANDBOOK PROVIDES AN ACCESSIBLE CRITICAL REVIEW OF THE COMPLEX ISSUES SURROUNDING DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL CHANGE TODAY. WITH CHAPTERS FROM RECOGNIZED EXPERTS, EXAMINING ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND SOCIAL ASPECTS, AND COVERING KEY TOPICS AND DEVELOPING REGIONS, IT GOES BEYOND CURRENT THEORY AND SETS OUT THE DEBATES WHICH WILL SHAPE AN APPROACH BETTER SUITED TO THE MODERN WORLD.

SOCIETY AND ECONOMY IN VENEZUELA VITOR EDUARDO SCHINCARIOL 2020-10-28 THIS BOOK PRESENTS AN OVERVIEW OF THE ECONOMIC POLICIES ADOPTED BY THE BOLIVARIAN GOVERNMENTS OF HUGO CHÁVEZ AND NICOLÁS MADURO IN VENEZUELA BETWEEN 1998 AND 2018, AND THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RESULTS OF THESE POLICIES. THE RECENT HISTORY OF VENEZUELA HAS ATTRACTED MUCH ATTENTION DUE TO CHÁVEZ'S AND MADURO'S SELF-DECLARED SEARCH FOR SOCIALISM SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE 21ST CENTURY AND THE ECONOMIC TRAJECTORY OF THE COUNTRY IN THIS PERIOD, WHICH EXPERIENCED SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC GROWTH DURING THE INTERNATIONAL OIL BOOM IN THE FIRST DECADE OF THE CENTURY, FOLLOWED BY A HUGE ECONOMIC CRISIS IN THE SECOND DECADE. THE VOLUME ADOPTS AN ECONOMIC HISTORY APPROACH, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT BOTH ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL VARIABLES TO ANALYZE THE VENEZUELAN OVERALL SOCIO-ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE SINCE 1998. DRAWING ON OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS AND STATISTICS, AS WELL AS ON THE AVAILABLE LITERATURE, IT PRESENTS AN EMPIRICAL ANALYSIS OF VENEZUELAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL HISTORIES DURING THE BOLIVARIAN PERIOD, DESCRIBING AND ANALYZING THE ACHIEVEMENTS AND LIMITS OF THE POLICIES ADOPTED BETWEEN 1998 AND 2018. SOCIETY AND ECONOMY IN VENEZUELA: AN OVERVIEW OF THE BOLIVARIAN PERIOD (1998-2018) WILL BE A USEFUL INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGISTS, POLITICAL ECONOMISTS, POLITICAL SCIENTISTS, ECONOMIC HISTORIANS AND OTHER SOCIAL SCIENTISTS INTERESTED IN UNDERSTANDING THE MULTIPLE INTERRELATIONS BETWEEN ECONOMY AND SOCIETY IN BOLIVARIAN VENEZUELA. "THIS BOOK OFFERS A THOUGHTFUL, COMMITTED AND ILLUMINATING ANALYSIS OF THE SOCIALIST EXPERIMENT IN VENEZUELA. ITS STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES ARE EXAMINED IN UNPRECEDENTED DETAIL, IN ORDER TO IDENTIFY THE DRIVERS AND LIMITATION OF 'SOCIALISM IN THE 21ST CENTURY'. AN ESSENTIAL WORK FOR SCHOLARS, STUDENTS AND CITIZENS CONCERNED WITH VENEZUELA." – ALFREDO SAAD-FILHO, KING'S COLLEGE LONDON

CHANGING LIVES: GUSTAVO DUDAMEL, EL SISTEMA, AND THE TRANSFORMATIVE POWER OF MUSIC TRICIA TUNSTALL 2012 REVEALS THE EFFECT THAT EDUCATION CAN HAVE ON POSITIVE SOCIAL CHANGE BY EXAMINING THE LIFE OF A CONDUCTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES PHILHARMONIC AND THE UNIQUE PROGRAM THAT NURTURED HIS TALENT BACK HOME IN VENEZUELA AND ITS CURRENT AVAILABILITY IN THE U.S. 15,000 FIRST PRINTING.

THE HISTORY OF VENEZUELA, 2ND EDITION H. MICHAEL TARVER 2018-10-25 AN INDISPENSABLE RESOURCE FOR READERS INTERESTED IN VENEZUELAN HISTORY, THIS BOOK ANALYZES VENEZUELA'S ECONOMIC CRISIS THROUGH THE CONTEXT OF ITS POLITICAL AND SOCIAL HISTORY. • TRANSLATES SPANISH WORDS UPON FIRST USE AND PROVIDES ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT TERMS IN A GLOSSARY TO HELP READERS TO ACCURATELY INTERPRET THE TEXT • INCLUDES A TIMELINE OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS, PROVIDING STUDENTS WITH AN AT-A-GLANCE OVERVIEW OF VENEZUELAN HISTORY • PRESENTS AN APPENDIX OF NOTABLE PEOPLE IN THE HISTORY OF VENEZUELA TO GIVE READERS SHORT BIOGRAPHIES OF THOSE WHO HAVE MADE IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COUNTRY'S HISTORY • PROVIDES PHOTOS AND MAPS TO SUPPORT THE TEXT BY ADDING CONTEXT FOR READERS • OFFERS AN ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY TO GIVE READERS DETAILED INFORMATION ON RESOURCES FOR FURTHER RESEARCH

DEEPENING DEMOCRACY IN POST-NEOLIBERAL BOLIVIA AND VENEZUELA JOHN BROWN 2022-02-28 THIS BOOK PROVIDES A TIMELY AND NUANCED ANALYSIS OF THE SUCCESSES AND SHORTCOMING OF EFFORTS TO MOVE BEYOND MARKET DEMOCRACY IN BOLIVIA AND VENEZUELA. A TWIN CRISIS OF DEMOCRATIC REPRESENTATION AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC PRECARIETY CREATED SPACE FOR ANTI-SYSTEM OUTSIDERS TO EMERGE ON THE LEFT FLANK OF TRADITIONAL PARTY-SYSTEMS IN BOLIVIA AND VENEZUELA, PAVING THE WAY FOR A "POST-NEOLIBERAL" DEMOCRATIZATION PROCESS. OVER THE COURSE OF THE PROJECTS HEADED BY ÉVO MORALES IN BOLIVIA AND HUGO CHÁVEZ AND HIS SUCCESSOR NICOLÁS MADURO IN VENEZUELA, HOWEVER, POWER STRUGGLES EMERGED BETWEEN A RECALCITRANT ELITE, THE LEFT-LED GOVERNMENT, AND ORGANIZED POPULAR SECTORS. THESE TENSIONS SHAPED THE PATHWAYS THAT PROCESSES FOLLOWED, WITH SIMULTANEOUS DEMOCRATIZATION AND DE-DEMOCRATIZATION OCCURRING WHEREBY A PARTIAL DEEPENING AND EXTENDING OF DEMOCRATIC QUALITY FOR POPULAR SECTORS WAS ACCOMPANIED BY THE BENDING OF LIBERAL NORMS. COMPARING THE VARYING BALANCE AND FORMS OF POWER BETWEEN COMPETING ACTORS, THIS BOOK OFFERS A NOVEL AND RICH EXPLANATION OF THE PARTIAL AND STUTTERING EFFORTS TO ADVANCE A POST-NEOLIBERAL DEMOCRACY IN BOLIVIA AND VENEZUELA. BRINGING IMPORTANT INSIGHTS ON THE REASONS FOR THE EMERGENCE OF ANTI-SYSTEM LEADERS AND PARTIES, THE IMPACT THAT THEY HAVE ON THE QUALITY OF DEMOCRACY, AND HOW PROGRESSIVE GOVERNMENTS INTERACT WITH SOCIAL MOVEMENTS, THIS BOOK WILL BE OF INTEREST TO RESEARCHERS STUDYING LATIN AMERICA, AS WELL AS THOSE SPECIALIZING IN DEVELOPMENT AND POLITICAL SCIENCE MORE BROADLY.

DISMANTLING DEMOCRACY IN VENEZUELA ALLAN R. BREWER-CARP AS 2010-09-20 THIS BOOK EXAMINES THE PROCESS OF DISMANTLING THE DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS AND PROTECTIONS IN VENEZUELA UNDER THE HUGO CHÁVEZ REGIME. THE ACTIONS OF

THE CHAVEZ GOVERNMENT HAVE INFLUENCED SIMILAR PROCESSES AND UNDEMOCRATIC MANOEUVRINGS IN ECUADOR, BOLIVIA, AND HONDURAS. SINCE THE ELECTION OF HUGO CHAVEZ AS PRESIDENT OF VENEZUELA IN 1998, A SINISTER FORM OF NATIONALISTIC AUTHORITARIANISM HAS ARISEN AT THE EXPENSE OF LONG-ESTABLISHED DEMOCRATIC STANDARDS. DURING THE PAST DECADE, THE 1999 VENEZUELAN CONSTITUTION HAS BEEN SYSTEMATICALLY ATTACKED BY ALL BRANCHES OF THE CHAVEZ GOVERNMENT, PARTICULARLY BY THE SUPREME TRIBUNAL OF JUSTICE, WHICH HAS LEGITIMIZED THE CHAVEZ-ORDERED CONSTITUTIONAL VIOLATIONS. THE CHAVEZ REGIME HAS PURPOSELY DEFRAUDED THE CONSTITUTION AND SEVERELY RESTRICTED REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT, ALL IN THE NAME OF A SUPPOSEDLY PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY CONTROLLED BY A POPULARLY SUPPORTED CENTRAL GOVERNMENT. THIS VOLUME ILLUSTRATES HOW AN AUTHORITARIAN, NONDEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED IN VENEZUELA.

CHANGING VENEZUELA BY TAKING POWER GREGORY WILPERT 2007-09-17 SINCE COMING TO POWER IN 1998, THE CHAVEZ GOVERNMENT HAS INSPIRED BOTH FIERCE INTERNAL DEBATE AND HORROR AMONGST WESTERN GOVERNMENTS ACCUSTOMED TO COUNTING ON AN OBEISANT REGIME IN THE OIL-RICH STATE. IN THIS RICH AND RESOURCEFUL STUDY, GREG WILPERT EXPOSES THE SELF-SERVING LOGIC BEHIND MUCH MIDDLE-CLASS OPPOSITION TO VENEZUELA'S ELECTED LEADER, AND EXPLAINS THE REAL REASON FOR THEIR ALARM. HE ARGUES THAT THE CHAVEZ GOVERNMENT HAS INSTITUTED ONE OF THE WORLD'S MOST PROGRESSIVE CONSTITUTIONS, BUT WARNS THAT THEY HAVE YET TO OVERCOME THE DANGEROUS SPECTERS OF THE COUNTRY'S PAST.