Venezuela Politics, Guerrillas and Government

Author to Discuss “We Created Chávez”

Atlanta, GA. – Last week, Venezuela’s new president offered fugitive Edward Snowden asylum in his country. Tuesday night at 7:00 pm, you can get an in depth look at politics in that South American country as author George Ciccariello-Maher discusses his book “We Created Chávez: A People’s History of the Venezuelan Revolution.” Based on interviews with grassroots organizers, former guerrillas, members of neighborhood militias, and government officials, Ciccariello-Maher presents a new history of Venezuelan political activism.

As Steve Ellner, author of “Rethinking Venezuelan Politics” says "We Created Chávez provides a systematic, bottom-up approach to Venezuelan politics from 1958 to the present."

Join us Tuesday night for “We Created Chavez” and mark your calendar for three author programs next week.

Tuesday July 16th at 7pm …Orphan Master’s Son…. Winner of the Pulitzer Prize for fiction, “Orphan Master’s Son is described as “An exquisitely crafted novel that carries the reader on an adventurous journey into the depths of totalitarian North Korea and into the most intimate spaces of the human heart.”

Wednesday, July 17th at 7pm…Marching with Sherman….The Carter Library & Battle of Atlanta present Mark Dunkelman’s account of Union General William T. Sherman's 1864 march through Georgia to Savannah and the 1865 campaign through the Carolinas.

Thursday, July 18th at 7pm…The Skies Belong to Us…. A shattered Army veteran and a mischievous party girl, Roger Holder and Cathy Kerkow commandeered Western Airlines Flight 701 as a vague protest against the war. Through a combination of savvy and dumb luck, the couple managed to flee across an ocean with a half-million dollars in ransom, a feat that made them notorious around the globe. Publishers Weekly calls this “‘Gripping… A fascinating look at the history of skyjacking.”

All of these events are free and open to the public in the Carter Museum Theater. Copies of the books will be available for purchase and signing by the authors.

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