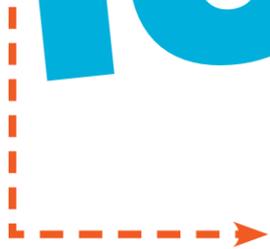


# CREATIVE ACTIVISM THURSDAYS

*The revolution will be debated*



**Meet the revolutionaries** who have changed or are **changing the world**, and those who study them. We will meet **Thursdays** for **a series of lectures, workshops, and other events** focusing on **the potential for societal change**, and **what we can do** to bring it about **through creative tactics and strategies**.



## Carne Ross

**Carne Ross** is a former British diplomat who resigned in 2004 after giving then-secret evidence to a British inquiry into the war. He has since founded the world's first non-profit diplomatic advisory group, Independent Diplomat, which advises marginalized countries and groups around the world. His new book is called *The Leaderless Revolution: how ordinary people will take power and change politics in the 21st century*.



## Bill Ayers and Bernadine Dohrn: "Occupy this and that! Revolution here and there."

Introduced by Sam Green, director of *The Weather Underground*

**Bill Ayers** is Distinguished Professor of Education at the University of Illinois at Chicago. He is best known as a leader, in the 1960s, of the Weathermen faction of Students for a Democratic Society. He is the founder of the Small Schools Workshop and the Center for Youth and Society, and has taught and written extensively about social justice, democracy and education, the cultural contexts of schooling, and teaching as an essentially intellectual, ethical, and political enterprise. He is married to Bernadine Dohrn.

**Bernadine Dohrn**, also a leader of the Weathermen faction of SDS, is a Professor of Law at Northwestern University. She's a founder of the Children and Family Justice Center and co-founder of the Center on the Wrongful Convictions of Youth, serves on the Board of the National Coalition for the Fair Sentencing of Youth, and is working to abolish the sentence of life without possibility of parole for juveniles in Illinois.



## Frances Fox Piven

**Frances Fox Piven** has throughout her career always combined political action with her academic work, both of which have centered on social movements, electoral politics, and welfare policy. She recently became a target of Glenn Beck for her views on change and revolution. She is a Distinguished Professor of Sociology and Political Science at the CUNY Graduate Center.



## Matt Smucker

**Matt Smucker** is a grassroots organizer, trainer, strategist, and writer. He is the director of Beyond the Choir, an online space for sharing practical strategies, tactics and tools with activists. He will discuss humor, revolution, and the Occupy movement.



## David Graeber

**David Graeber** is an eminent anthropologist and anarchist who has been politically active for a long time, and active in the Occupy movement since its proto-beginnings in June 2011; he has called Occupy "the opening salvo in a wave of negotiations over the dissolution of the American Empire." His most recent book is *Debt: The First Five Thousand Years*. David teaches at Goldsmiths College, London. David teaches at Goldsmiths College, London. He will discuss culture as creative refusal—how what we think of as primordial "cultures," historically, can just as easily be conceived as social movements which were to some degree successful in achieving their aims.



## What is Revolution? Richard Schechner, Yotam Marom, and others

What is revolution? Is OWS a revolution? Stay tuned!



## Steve Lambert

Introduced by Jeremy Varon, author of *Bringing the War Home: The Weather Underground, the Red Army Faction, and Revolutionary Violence in the Sixties and Seventies*

**Steve Lambert** made international news after the 2008 US election with The New York Times "Special Edition," a replica announcing the end of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and other good news. He has collaborated with groups from the Yes Men to the Graffiti Research Lab and Greenpeace. He is also the founder of the Center for Artistic Activism, the Anti-Advertising Agency, Add-Art (a Firefox add-on that replaces online advertising with art) and SelfControl (which blocks grownups from distracting websites so they can get work done). He is on the faculty of the School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. Steve will discuss making engaging, funny, relevant art and how it can help effect change.

**For schedule information visit:**

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