



## CSU/CI Hosts Author Paul Loeb Sept. 17

Camarillo, Calif., Sept. 11, 2008-California State University Channel Islands will host a presentation by author Paul Rogat Loeb at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 17, in Malibu Hall 100 on the University's campus. His presentation is free of charge and is open to the public.

Loeb has spent more than 30 years researching and writing about citizen responsibility and empowerment-asking what makes some people choose lives of social commitment, while others abstain, and he will speak about his findings at this presentation.

He is the author of several books including *The Impossible Will Take a Little While: A Citizen's Guide to Hope in a Time of Fear* (Basic Books, 2004, and named the no. 3 political book of that year by the History Channel and the American Book Association); *Soul of a Citizen: Living With Conviction in a Cynical Time* (St Martin's Press 1999, with more than 95,000 copies in print); and *Generation at the Crossroads: Apathy and Action on the American Campus* (Rutgers University Press, 1994). Some of Loeb's books will be available for purchase after his presentation, and the author will be signing copies of his work.

Born in California in 1952, Loeb attended Stanford University and New York's New School for Social Research, and worked in both places to end the Vietnam War. He has written on social involvement for several publications including *The New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *USA Today*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Boston Globe*, and the *International Herald Tribune*. His January 2002 talk at the annual provost's conference of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities inspired what is now a 200-campus American Democracy Project, of which California State University Channel Islands and regional community colleges are participants.

Limited parking is available on campus and is \$6 for a daily permit. Free parking is available at the Camarillo Metrolink Station/Lewis Road parking lot in Camarillo with shuttle service to and from the campus. Riders should board the CSU/CI VISTA Bus and the fare is \$1 each way. Buses arrive and depart from the Camarillo Metrolink Station every 30 minutes from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday. For exact times, check the schedule at [www.goventura.org](http://www.goventura.org).

For more information about Loeb's presentation contact Pilar Pacheco, Assistant Director for the Center of Community Engagement, at 805-437- 8851 or [pilar.pacheco@csuci.edu](mailto:pilar.pacheco@csuci.edu).

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