Adam Hochschild at UCI

May 21-22, 2012

The Department of History and Literary Journalism Program are pleased to announce a two-day visit to UCI by Adam Hochschild, one of the country’s most celebrated authors of deeply researched general interest books, ranging from abolitionism to colonialism to World War I. Hochschild, a professor of journalism at UC Berkeley, co-founded Mother Jones and has written for venues such as Harper’s and TIME. Don’t miss the chance to hear the author of acclaimed works such as King Leopold's Ghost, Bury the Chains, and, most recently, To End All Wars. Both events are free and open to the public.

May 21, 5-6:30pm, Donald Bren Hall 1100

Hochschild will be a guest speaker in a large team-taught History Department course on "Global Protest," for which Latin Americanist Alex Borucki is the main instructor. Hochschild will discuss and answer questions from the audience about his work on abolitionism, as well as other subjects. Students in the class will be reading http://www.motherjones.com/politics/2004/01/against-all-odds and http://www.nybooks.com/articles/archives/2007/jun/14/english-abolition-the-movie/?pagination=false. For more information, contact Jeff Wasserstrom at jwassers@uci.edu.

May 22, 12-1:30pm Humanities Gateway 1030

Hochschild will discuss how his latest publication, To End All Wars, developed from a magazine article into a full-length book. Hochschild will discuss issues ranging from the challenges of writing historical reconstruction, to changes in the contemporary book market, to advice for students considering careers in journalism or journalism graduate programs in a session moderated by Literary Journalism professor Barry Siegel. Guests are encouraged to read Hochschild’s story, “I Tried to Stop the Bloody Thing,” from American Scholar, http://theamericanscholar.org/i-tried-to-stop-the-bloody-thing/. For more information, contact Patricia Pierson at piersonp@uci.edu.