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Author Who Contends 2000, 2004 Elections Were 'Stolen' To Speak at Cal Poly Jan. 17

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Nationally-known media expert and New York University professor Mark Crispin Miller will present "Loser Take All: Election Fraud and the Subversion of Democracy" at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 17 in the Business Building Rotunda (Room 213) at Cal Poly.

A leading critic of the Bush Administration, Miller contends that the elections of 2000 and 2004 were "stolen." In his books "The Bush Dyslexicon: Observations on a National Disorder" and "Cruel and Unusual: Bush/Cheney's New World Order" Miller employs his expertise as a media analyst to detail how Bush was elected, "spinned" and allowed to control the media.

In his updated paperback, "Fooled Again: The Real Case for Electoral Reform," Miller contends that the new Republican strategy for presidential elections is to perpetrate fraud in order to dominate national elections.

Whether or not one is convinced by Miller's views, they are deserving of a wide hearing, said Cal Poly History Professor George Cotkin. "After all, there is nothing as sacrosanct as our electoral process, and Miller is particularly acute in pointing out how it has, in recent years, become compromised." Miller also warns that future elections are likely to be stolen as well, in part, because of problems with electronic voting machines.

Christian Century magazine said Miller "makes a compelling case that virulent antidemocratic forces fueled by religious fervor are making an all-out assault on American democracy" and that "the media, democracy's watchdog... are letting it happen."

Miller has appeared on such national television programs as "Washington Journal," "The O'Reilly Factor" and "Frontline."

The lecture is sponsored by the Department of History, is free and open to the public.

For further information on the talk, contact George Cotkin at 756-2763 or gcotkin@calpoly.edu.

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NOTE TO EDITORS: To arrange an interview with Professor Mark Crispin Miller before his talk at Cal Poly, contact him at mark.miller@nyu.edu.

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