

THE INTERNATIONAL FORUM ON GLOBALIZATION  
& TEBTEBBA FOUNDATION PRESENT A TEACH-IN



# *Indigenous Peoples' Resistance to Economic Globalization*

A CELEBRATION OF INDIGENOUS SOVEREIGNTY: VICTORIES, RIGHTS & CULTURES

*30 Indigenous  
& Other Speakers  
from Every  
Continent*



November 18, 2006  
(1 pm-10 pm)



Cooper Union Great Hall  
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*No COMMUNITY OF PEOPLES on the planet have been as negatively impacted by the voracious drives of economic globalization as the indigenous peoples of the world. And no peoples have resisted globalization so courageously and successfully.*



Corporate Globalization is rooted in the obsessive search for the planet's last resources: oil and gas, forests, uranium, gold, copper and other minerals, land, water, wildlife, and genetic diversity. All are targets for global corporations to dig up, ship across oceans, and convert into commodities for luxury markets.

*This has been bad news for the world's 350 million indigenous people, as most remaining resources on the planet are on indigenous ancestral lands. Traditional practices of ecological stewardship by indigenous peoples have protected these lands and resources for millennia, but now put them in the bulls-eye of corporations, governments and militaries, who try to shove the peoples off, or otherwise appropriate their lands.*

Indigenous resistance to these invasions has been inspiring and increasingly successful. The fight for sovereign rights has never been more broad or focused. *The purpose of this Teach-In is to celebrate victories and stories of resistance, including these:*

~ The imminent passage of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. This powerful document protects indigenous sovereignty, collectivity, culture, and rights to live in and sustain ancestral lands as they see fit.

~ The rise in political power of indigenous peoples, especially in South America, where they have brought great political transformation, including the election of indigenous leader Evo Morales as president of Bolivia.

~ To launch the new IFG book, *Paradigm Wars: Indigenous Resistance to Globalization*, containing 28 articles on every phase of the global struggle for indigenous rights, and the stories of resistance. (Many authors will be present.)



## Speakers Include:

**Victoria Tauli-Corpuz** (*Igorot*, the Philippines), chair, UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues; director, Tebtebba Foundation; co-editor *Paradigm Wars: Indigenous Peoples Resistance to Economic Globalization*.

**Tom Goldtooth** (*Dine'* and *Mdewakanton Dakota*), director, Indigenous Environmental Network.

**Oren Lyons** (*Onondaga*), Faithkeeper, Turtle Clan Onondaga Nation; professor of American Studies, University of Buffalo.

**Maude Barlow**, president, Council of Canadians; author *Too Close for Comfort*.

**Mirian Masaquiza** (*Kichwa*, Ecuador), member of the Secretariat, UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.

**Chief Vilson Benedito de Oliveira** (*Tupinikim*, Brazil), member Tupinikim/Guarani Commission.

**Mirna Cunningham** (*Miskita*, Nicaragua), MADRE.

**Jerry Mander**, founder, International Forum on Globalization; author, *In the Absence of the Sacred*; and co-editor, *Paradigm Wars*.

**Chief Arthur Manuel** (*Secwepem*, Canada), Indigenous Network on Economies and Trade.

**Mililani Trask** (*Kanaka Maoli*, Hawai'i), indigenous advocate and international human rights expert.

SPECIAL GUEST: **Q'orianka Kilcher**  
(*Quechua/Huachipaeri*), actress, "The New World."

**Ali El-Issa**, director, Flying Eagle Woman Fund.

**Elouise Cobell** (*Blackfeet*), plaintiff, *Cobell vs. United States*.

**Joseph Ole Simel** (*Masaai*, Kenya), director, Mainyoito Pastoralist Integrated Development Organization.

**John Cavanagh**, director, Institute for Policy Studies, author *Global Dreams*.

**Winona LaDuke** (*Ashinaabeg*), director, White Earth Land Recovery Project; founder, Honor the Earth; author, *All Our Relations: Native Struggles for Land and Life*.

**Victor Menotti**, program director, International Forum on Globalization.

**John Mohawk** (*Seneca*), co-director and associate professor of American Studies, University of Buffalo; author, *Utopian Legacies: A History of Conquest and Oppression in the Western World*.

**Elsa Stamatopoulou**, chief of the Secretariat, UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.

**Jeannette Armstrong** (*Okanagan*, Canada), director, En'owkin Centre; recipient of Buffet Award (2003) for Indigenous Leadership.

**Vandana Shiva** (India), Navdanya, recipient Right Livelihood Award; author, *Monocultures of the Mind*.

**Terri-Lynn Williams-Davidson** (*Haida*, Canada), attorney and director, White Raven Law.

**Judith Kimerling**, professor of Law, City University, NY.

**Sheila Watt-Cloutier** (*Inuk*, Canada), former chair, Inuit Circumpolar Conference.

**Beverly Bell**, coordinator, Other Worlds Are Possible Collaborative; author, *Social Movements and Economic Integration in the Americas*.

**Atossa Soltani**, director, Amazon Watch.

**Luis Macas** (*Kichwa*, Ecuador), 2006 presidential candidate; founder, Confederation of Indigenous Nationalities of Ecuador (CONAIE).

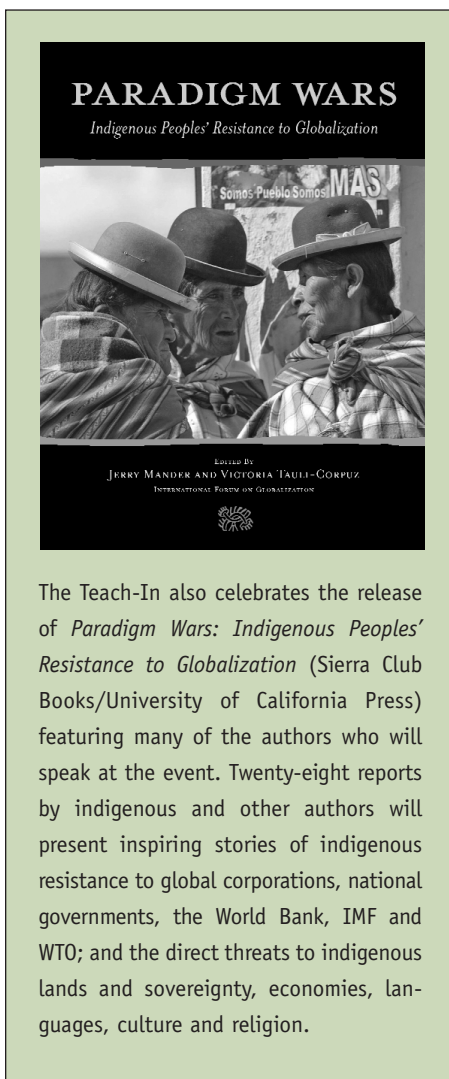
**Joan Carling** (*Igorot*, The Philippines), Cordillera Peoples' Alliance.

**Gary Brouse**, Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility/American Indigenous Coalition on Institutional Accountability.

**Melissa Nelson** (*Turtle Mountain Chippewa*), director, Cultural Conservancy.

Many other speakers and events to be announced.

Musical Performances by Silver Cloud Singers,  
Soni Moreno Tiokasin Ghost Horse  
and Coatlicue Theatre Company.  
~ Additional speakers and performers,  
please check for updates at [www.ifg.org](http://www.ifg.org).



The Teach-In also celebrates the release of *Paradigm Wars: Indigenous Peoples' Resistance to Globalization* (Sierra Club Books/University of California Press) featuring many of the authors who will speak at the event. Twenty-eight reports by indigenous and other authors will present inspiring stories of indigenous resistance to global corporations, national governments, the World Bank, IMF and WTO; and the direct threats to indigenous lands and sovereignty, economies, languages, culture and religion.