Women And Social Movements In Latin America: Power From Below
Women's grassroots activism in Latin America combines a commitment to basic survival for women and their children with a challenge to women's subordination to men. Women activists insist that issues such as rape, battering, and reproductive control cannot be divorced from women's concerns about housing, food, land, and medical care. This innovative, comparative study explores six cases of women's grassroots activism in Mexico, El Salvador, Brazil, and Chile. Lynn Stephen communicates the ideas, experiences, and perceptions of women who participate in collective action, while she explains the structural conditions and ideological discourses that set the context within which women act and interpret their experiences. She includes revealing interviews with activists, detailed histories of organizations and movements, and a theoretical discussion of gender, collective identity, and feminist anthropology and methods.

Book Information

Paperback: 352 pages
Publisher: University of Texas Press; First Paperback Edition edition (January 1, 1997)
Language: English
ISBN-10: 0292777167
Product Dimensions: 6 x 0.8 x 9 inches
Shipping Weight: 12.6 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)
Average Customer Review: 3.0 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews Â (2 customer reviews)
Best Sellers Rank: #1,265,776 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #418 in Â Books > Gay & Lesbian > Nonfiction > Civil Rights #1118 in Â Books > Textbooks > Humanities > History > Latin America #1247 in Â Books > Politics & Social Sciences > Politics & Government > International & World Politics > Caribbean & Latin American

Customer Reviews

"A gendered analysis of the National Security regimes that dominated South and Central America in the 1970s and '80s reveals a pattern of abuse of women that failed to register in the public consciousness.... The evidence compiled by Stephen, a feminist ethnographer, from archives and interviews with women in grassroots movements in El Salvador, Mexico, Brazil, and Chile reveals the breakdown of the patriarchal bargain: men in power withdrew protection from women, and women rebelled against the male domination that crippled them and left them unfit to lead their own lives." (Choice)"This book promises to make a significant contribution to the literature on women
and social movements in Latin America. The fact that it draws upon collaborative relationships with
the women written about is a further strength, making it of interest to activists and academics
alike.... It would make an excellent teaching text, and it would also be of interest to general readers."
(Florence E. Babb, author of Between Field and Cooking Pot: The Political Economy of
Marketwomen in Peru)

"This book promises to make a significant contribution to the literature on women and social
movements in Latin America. The fact that it draws upon collaborative relationships with the women
written about is a further strength, making it of interest to activists and academics alike.... It would
make an excellent teaching text, and it would also be of interest to general readers." (Florence E.
Babb, author of Between Field and Cooking Pot: The Political Economy of Marketwomen in Peru)

Download to continue reading...

Women and Social Movements in Latin America: Power from Below Waves of Protest: Social
Movements Since the Sixties (People, Passions, and Power: Social Movements, Interest
Organizations, and the P) Outsiders?: The Changing Patterns of Exclusion in Latin America and the
Caribbean, Economic and Social Progress in Latin America, 2008 Report (David
Rockefeller/Inter-American Development Bank) Indians and Leftists in the Making of Ecuador’s
Modern Indigenous Movements (Latin America Otherwise) Transatlantic Travels in
Nineteenth-Century Latin America: European Women Pilgrims (Bucknell Studies in Latin American
Literature and Theory) Social Movements and State Power: Argentina, Brazil, Bolivia, Ecuador
Power Training: For Combat, MMA, Boxing, Wrestling, Martial Arts, and Self-Defense: How to
Develop Knockout Punching Power, Kicking Power, Grappling Power, and Ground Fighting Power
Women, Feminism and Social Change in Argentina, Chile, and Uruguay, 1890-1940 (Engendering
Latin America) Women’s Activism in Latin America and the Caribbean: Engendering Social Justice,
Democratizing Citizenship Social Anxiety: Ultimate Guide to Overcoming Fear, Shyness, and Social
Phobia to Achieve Success in All Social Situations (BONUS, Anxiety Relief, Social Anxiety
Security Retirement Benefits and Planning Your Retirement (social ... disability, social security
made simple) Foundational Fictions: The National Romances of Latin America (Latin American
Literature and Culture) Rethinking the Gay and Lesbian Movement (American Social and Political
Movements of the 20th Century) How the Religious Right Shaped Lesbian and Gay Activism (Social
Movements, Protest and Contention) Fighting for Peace: Veterans and Military Families in the
Anti-Iraq War Movement (Social Movements, Protest and Contention) When Movements

Dmca