

Constitutional Law and Civil Rights Section

of the Sacramento County Bar Association

Is Honored To Present

At its Second Annual Distinguished Lecturer Series

PETER ORNER

“The Intersection of Law and the Arts: Documenting Civil Rights Stories”



Peter Orner is an attorney turned writer who is the author of the novel, *The Second Coming of Mavala Shikongo* (Little, Brown, 2006), and the story collection, *Esther Stories* (Houghton Mifflin, 2001). A film version of one of Orner's stories, *The Raft*, is currently in production and stars Ed Asner.

A new book of oral histories, edited by Orner, *Underground America: Narratives of Undocumented Lives*, was published in 2008 by McSweeney's for the Voice of Witness Series. For more information, go to voiceofwitness.org.

The *Second Coming of Mavala Shikongo*, a Finalist for the Los Angeles Times Book Prize and a San Francisco Chronicle Best-Seller, won the Bard Fiction Prize. The novel is being translated into French, Dutch, Italian, and German. *The Second Coming of Mavala Shikongo* is set in Namibia where Orner lived and worked in the early 1990's.

Esther Stories was awarded the Rome Prize from the American Academy of Arts and Letters, the Goldberg Prize for Jewish Fiction, and was a Finalist for the Pen Hemingway Award and the New York Public Library's Young Lions Award.

Orner has published fiction in the *Atlantic Monthly*, *The Paris Review*, *McSweeney's*, *The Southern Review*, and various other publications. Stories have been anthologized in *Best American Stories* and the *Pushcart Prize Annual*. Orner has been awarded fellowships from the Guggenheim and Lannan Foundations.

Currently, Orner is an associate professor at San Francisco State University.

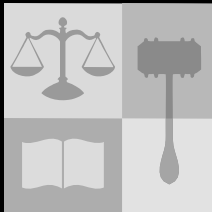
- **No-host bar**
- **Dinner menu** includes salad, bread, iced tea, coffee, and amaretto bread pudding cake:
 - **Pollo al Rosmarino**—Half roasted chicken with a rosemary sauce and roasted potatoes.
 - **New York Steak**—Green peppercorn sauce served with a red onion marmalade and soft polenta
 - **Mercato del Pesce**—Chef's fish selection.
 - **Vegetarian**—Chef's choice.
- **\$45 for members, \$50 for non-members, \$30 for Students (limited space)**
- **One hour of MCLE**

Date: October 14, 2009

Time: 5:30 p.m.

At: **Sofia Restaurant**
815 11th Street
Sacramento, CA

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		Chicken	Steak	Fish	Vege	