

FREE

Snacks & soft drinks allowed in

Door prizes

## UPandOUT free film series

## **Showing** Thursday, July 16

6:40pm doors open 7pm film starts promptly

243 Broadway, Cambridge corner of Broadway & Windsor, entrance on Windsor



Next, August 20: *American Drug War* [how money, power and greed have corrupted an entire government]

## Kill the Messenger

[112 min]

- Based on the true story of journalist Gary Webb.
- The film takes place in the mid 1990s, when Webb uncovered the CIA's past role in importing huge
- amounts of cocaine into the U.S. that was aggressively
- sold in ghettos across the country to raise money for the Nicaraguan Contras rebel army. Despite enormous
- pressure not to, Webb chose to pursue the story and went public with his evidence, publishing his series
  - 'Dark Alliance' in the San Jose Mercury News in 1996.
- As a result Gary experienced a vicious smear campaign fueled by the CIA. At that point Webb found himself defending his integrity, his family, and his life.

"For the whole sordid tale [of the CIA orchestrated hit pieces on Gary Webb] read Alex Cockburn's and Jeffrey St. Clair's Whiteout: the CIA, Drugs and the Press. " ~Dave Lindorff, Counterpunch, Oct 28, 2009

See also Christopher Robbins' book Air America

" where the US goes, the drug trade soon follows, and the leading role in developing and nurturing that trade appears to be played by the Central Intelligence Agency." ~Dave Lindorff "The Nationalist Chinese army, organized by the CIA to wage war against Communist China, became the opium barons of The Golden Triangle, the world's largest source of opium and heroin. Air America, the CIA's principal airline proprietary, flew the drugs all over Southeast Asia .... A laboratory built at CIA headquarters in northern Laos was used to refine heroin." ~ William Blum

"The Nugan Hand Bank of Sydney was a CIA bank in all but name. Among its officers were a network of US generals, admirals and CIA men, including former CIA Director William Colby, also one of its lawyers. Nugan Hand Bank financed drug trafficking, money laundering and international arms dealings." ~William Blum