

FRESNO CITY COLLEGE PROUDLY WELCOMES AUTHOR DANIEL CHACON

A Special Engagement, Reading and Signing with Daniel Chacon
Friday, March 11, 2005

7:30 p.m. in the Student Lounge (College Activities Center)

This event is free and open to the public. Reception after reading.

Parking in all lots will be relaxed after 5:00 p.m.

For more information, contact Lee Herrick at 442-4600, ext. 8105.



Daniel Chacón was born in Fresno, California. His father was a welder and his mother a cashier at Kmart. He was the second youngest child in a family of six. He graduated Hoover High School in Fresno and left California State University, Fresno with two degrees, a bachelor's in political science and a master's in English. From there he went to the University of Oregon where he received his MFA in Fiction Writing.

He has taught at Modesto Junior College, Southwest State University in Marshall, Minnesota, and currently teaches in the bilingual MFA program at the University of Texas, at El Paso. He teaches graduate courses in Fiction Writing and literature, specializing in Neruda, Cortázar, and Borges, and he has traveled extensively to Mexico, Cuba, and Europe.

His acclaimed book of short stories is *Chicano Chicaneery*. His novel, *and the shadows took him* (Atria Books, 2004), has received excellent reviews. His fiction has been included in such journals as *The Colorado Review*, *the New England Review*, *ZYZZYVA*, *The Americas Review*, *Flyway*, and *The Bilingual Review*. He has been anthologized in *Floating Borderlands*, *20 Years of Hispanic American Literature* (Washington University Press), *Our Working Lives* (Bottom Dog Press), *Riding Slow and Low in Streets of Gold* (Arte Público Press), and *Caliente, The Best Latin American Erotic Fiction* (Berkeley Books). He has recently been awarded the prestigious Chris Isherwood Foundation Grant for Fiction Writers.

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