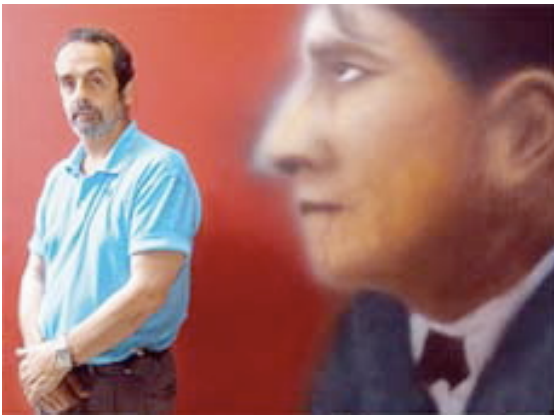


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# Rising Up: The Amazonian Indigenous Struggle in Peru

A Talk by Javier Diez Canseco, Former Congressman and Senator of Peru



**Thursday, November 12th,  
at 10:30 a.m.**

**Student Union Building II (SUB II), Rooms 3 and 4**

Only a few months ago in Bagua, a town in the Peruvian amazon, police were sent in to dislodge thousands of indigenous protesters who had taken to the streets in protest of government decree laws that would give multinational corporations free reign to explore oil in indigenous territories. This confrontation resulted in several indigenous and police being wounded and killed. The government has since rescinded these laws and negotiations have started between indigenous leaders and the state about foreign oil exploration in the Amazon. Former Senator Javier Diez Canseco will discuss the intense debate and increased indigenous protests regarding the status of indigenous communities in the Peruvian Amazon.

Javier Diez Canseco was former Peruvian senator and congressman from 1976-2006 and a 2006 presidential candidate. He has been a tireless defender of human rights and led a congressional commission to investigate corruption charges during the Fujimori regime. He currently works with regional organizations and indigenous movements in Peru.

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