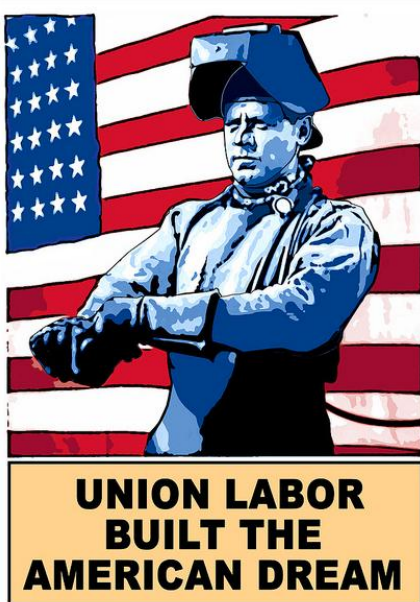


# ARLINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY & ENCORE LEARNING

~~~~~SPECIAL EVENT~~~~~

## Meet the Speaker Series



**Carl Proper will speak on**

**Organized Labor and Democracy**

**Are unions essential to the democratic process?**

**Date: Monday, August 8, 2016**

**Time: 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm**

**Place: Arlington Central Library**

Democracy works best when there are checks and balances. Organized labor has, in the past, provided one of the checks and is itself a democratic organization. The decline of organized labor has left a void and has led to a second Gilded Age. This 2016 election cycle has demonstrated the level of unrest and resentment among the disenfranchised. How might we restore some balance by shifting power back toward the working majority? We can't predict the future, but we can learn from the past. Join us to learn about the contributions of organized labor to a strong democracy and robust economy. Participate in a discussion after Proper's talk.

**Registration:** No registration required. This event is free and all are welcome

**Directions:** The Arlington Central Library is located at 1015 N. Quincy Street between Washington Boulevard and Fairfax Drive. Parking is free at the Library or take Metro to Virginia Square on the Orange line.

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