

HISTORY AND CULTURE READINGS & MOVIES

Books

You can find most, if not all, of these titles at Amazon.com and-or Half.com

- *Salvador* by Joan Didion (short, quick read with a snapshot of the author's brief visit to El Salvador in 1982 during the early phase of the civil war)
- *Witness to War: An American Doctor in El Salvador* by Charles Clements (a detailed description of a pacifist American doctor's year of delivering medical care while living with the guerrillas)
- *The Massacre at El Mozote* by Mark Danner (as the title implies...a graphic, moving description of a horrific event, it is, however, very well written and a good read. It uncovers and documents the US support of the Salvadoran government's repression and death squads.)
- *El Salvador: The Face Of Revolution* by Raymond Armstrong (a history of El Salvador, focusing on the roots and reasons behind the civil war)
- *Oscar Romero: Memories in Mosaic* by Maria Lopez Vigil (a comprehensive look at the life of El Salvador's beloved Monsignor Romero)
- *Fighting to Learn: Popular Education & Guerilla War in El Salvador* by John Hammond (Great description of "popular education")
- *Weakness and Deceit* by Raymond Bonner (a NY Times reporter's critical look at US foreign policy in El Salvador based on his years of living in El Salvador reporting on the civil war)
- *Rebel Radio: The Story of El Salvador Radio Venceremos* by José Ignacio Vigil
- *Enrique's Journey: The Story of a Boy's Dangerous Odyssey to Reunite with his Mother* by Sonia Nazario (Note: Not specifically about El Salvador, but applicable to immigration issues)

Novels

- *Bitter Grounds: A Novel* by Sandra Benítez
- *The Weight of All Things* by Sandra Benítez
- *One Day of Life* by Manlio Argueta

Movies

- *Salvador* (with James Woods)
- *Romero* (with Raúl Julia)
- *Innocent Voices*
- *The Gatekeeper*