

On the eve of the AFL-CIO Convention, join the  
Open University of the Left for the Chicago Premiere of:

# WAGING A LIVING

**WORKING OVERTIME IN PURSUIT OF THE ELUSIVE AMERICAN DREAM**

A Documentary Film by Roger  
Weisberg • Produced by Public  
Policy Productions in association with  
Thirteen/WNET New York

**Sunday • July 24**  
**7:30 PM • UE Hall**  
**37 S. Ashland Ave.**  
**Chicago**

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Ashland stop, and the Madison (#20) and  
Ashland (#9) bus routes.)



The percentage of American workers trapped in poverty rose 50 percent between 1979 and 2000. Today, one in four workers - more than 30 million Americans - are stuck in low-wage jobs that do not sustain a decent or secure existence. This documentary follows four low-paid laborers as they struggle to support their families. Shot over three years in the Northeast and California, "Waging a Living" offers a first-hand view of life lived on the outskirts of the American dream.

Says Director Roger Weisberg: "I wanted to bring viewers inside the daily grind of the nameless people we encounter every day who struggle to survive from paycheck to paycheck. I hope that the audience comes away with a deeper appreciation and respect for the people who cook our food, bag our groceries, and take care of our children and elderly. My goal is get people to take a new look at the prevailing American assumption that hard work alone can overcome poverty." A must see for union activists.

- **\$5. donation at the door. More if you're willing; no one turned away.**
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