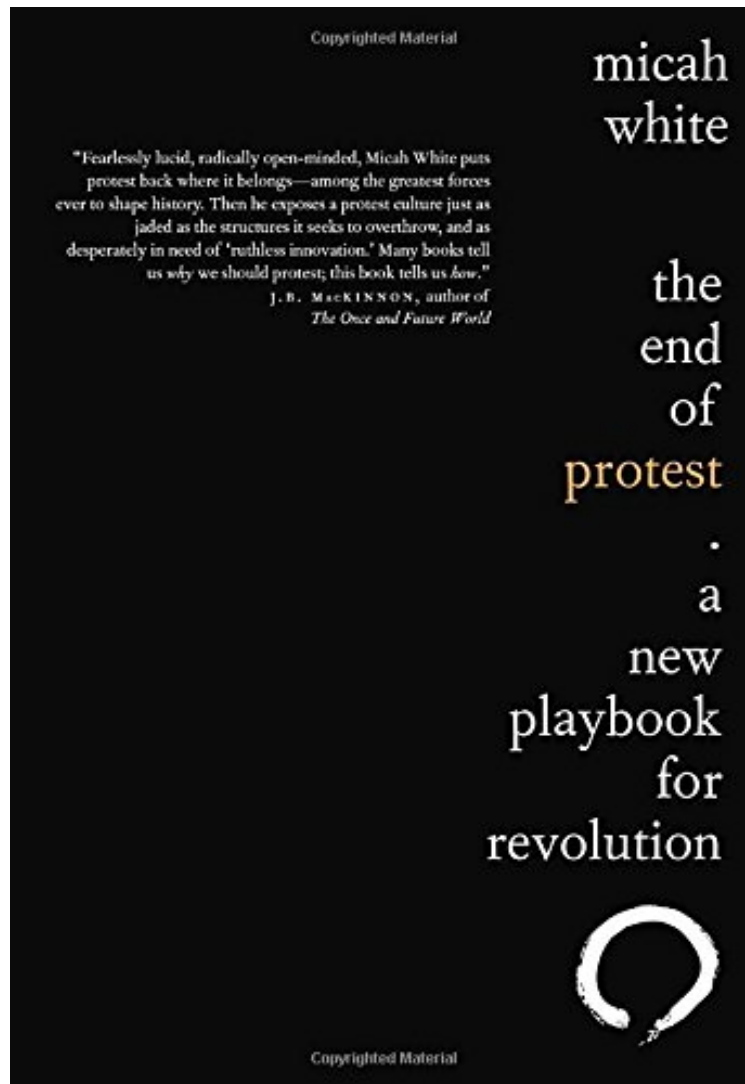


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15 of 17 people found the following review helpful. The fall of Occupy and the ultimate failure of the anti-Iraq War movement have left the Left in a kind of useless limbo where weBy A. CabouetI wish I could make every organizer read this book. Clearly lays out why we are in dire need for a revolution of protest tactics and strategies. The fall of Occupy and the ultimate failure of the anti-Iraq War movement have left the Left in a kind of useless limbo where we're repeating the same actions and tactics with diminishing returns whilst fighting amongst ourselves the whole way

along. Now, with the rise of Black Lives Matter and the mainstreaming of more militant tactics and a concerted push for an organizing model internationally that prioritizes connecting movements and building capacity over rapid single issue mobilization - we're in a perfect moment to drastically change the way we fight. This book is a guide to help develop that conversation and I'm grateful that it was written. Highly recommend. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Essential Read By Adrian Lambrinos Essential reading for the politically active individual. Both thought provoking and alarming Micah White pulls no punches and holds activist accountable. I'm only a few chapters in and I'm excited to see how I can help shape the future of activism. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Fight the power! By Connelly Stewart Great book with practical steps to making societal change.

Is protest broken? Micah White, co-creator of Occupy Wall Street, thinks so. Disruptive tactics have failed to halt the rise of Donald Trump. Movements ranging from Black Lives Matter to environmentalism are leaving activists frustrated. Meanwhile, recent years have witnessed the largest protests in human history. Yet these mass mobilizations no longer change society. Now activism is at a crossroads: innovation or irrelevance. In *The End of Protest* Micah White heralds the future of activism. Drawing on his unique experience with Occupy Wall Street, a contagious protest that spread to eighty-two countries, White articulates a unified theory of revolution and eight principles of tactical innovation that are destined to catalyze the next generation of social movements. Despite global challenges catastrophic climate change, economic collapse and the decline of democracy White finds reason for optimism: the end of protest inaugurates a new era of social change. On the horizon are increasingly sophisticated movements that will emerge in a bid to challenge elections, govern cities and reorient the way we live. Activists will reshape society by forming a global political party capable of winning elections worldwide. In this provocative playbook, White offers three bold, revolutionary scenarios for harnessing the creativity of people from across the political spectrum. He also shows how social movements are created and how they spread, how materialism limits contemporary activism, and why we must re-conceive protest in timelines of centuries, not days. Rigorous, original and compelling, *The End of Protest* is an exhilarating vision of an all-encompassing revolution of revolution.

Fearlessly lucid, radically open-minded, Micah White puts protest back where it belongs among the greatest forces ever to shape history. Then he exposes a protest culture just as jaded as the structures it seeks to overthrow, and as desperately in need of ruthless innovation. Many books tell us why we should protest; this book tells us how. J.B. MacKinnon, author of *The Once and Future World* President Kennedy said, Those who make peaceful revolution impossible make violent revolution inevitable. One of the most urgent existential questions of our time is how to respond to that supposition. In *The End of Protest*, Micah White guides the conversation by combining an expansive grasp of history and political philosophy, with a thrilling sense of future possibility. Marianne Williamson Micah White issues an impassioned clarion call for activists to reinvent protest a format that that has been so utterly devitalized, it has lost its bite and power to impel change. White makes his case by drawing on decades of personal experience and the historical record, and what springs forth from these pages is an eminently readable playbook packed with wisdom and practical advice for resuscitating the power of dissent in the twenty-first century. Gabriella Coleman, author of *Hacker, Hoaxer, Whistleblower, Spy* Micah White offers us a deeply honest, courageous and ultimately optimistic view of how people can make a far better world and why we're not there yet. The book is so packed with insights and ideas that you're bound to agree with some and question others. But you will be challenged and you will get smarter. This book is much needed fuel for a people's passionate revolution. Jonah Sachs, author of *Winning the Story Wars* *The End of Protest* is nothing less than a new paradigm for resistance. It will be sure to initiate a heated and necessary debate about how to confront oppression, and what constitutes victory. Douglas Rushkoff, author of *Throwing Rocks at the Google Bus* and *Present Shock* Micah White gives us a birds-eye view of the ever-shifting battle field of dynamic social change. New wars require new arts to be successful. Lupe Fiasco, rapper and hip-hop artist *The End of Protest* is an engrossing historical document, call to arms, guide, and self-critical look at the Occupy movement from one of its co-founders. It traces the history of protest in the North and offers a new vision, tactics, and strategy for a peaceful revolution through a horizontal, mundialist movement. An inspiring must-read for any activist. Carmen Aguirre, author of *Mexican Hooker #1* and *Something Fierce*, winner of Canada Reads Micah is a systems genius and the moral voice of a thinking generation. His points are simple, true and astounding. Roseanne Barr, comedian *The End of Protest* is an informative and inspiring book for activists of any and every stripe. White's emphasis on mental environmentalism, as he puts it, is brilliant. Alex Ebert, lead singer of Edward Sharpe and the Magnetic Zeros Micah White is a strategist, a new breed of revolutionary. He knows that resistance isn't so much about what you do as who you are: it cuts right inside you, into your very Being, into your belief systems, into your democratic hopes, into your anti-corporate desires, into your whole mental environment. This is *Rules for Radicals* for the World Party the one yet to be. Andy Merrifield, author of *The Wisdom of Donkeys* and *Magical Marxism* Micah White argues convincingly that established modes of protest are outdated and sketches the outlines for how activists can and must innovate. His book is a love letter to activists of the future. Michael Hardt, co-author of the *Empire* trilogy (*Empire*, *Multitude*, *Commonwealth*) as well as *Declaration* Within the context of his experience with the

Occupy movement, Micah White bravely challenges the current protest-rut in which many social justice activists find themselves. His critique of modern social movements challenges activists to progress to the next level, while leaving us hopeful that the revolution for a better world is already upon us. Pam Palmater, Mikmaw lawyer, professor and Idle No More spokesperson educator

The End of Protest is not just about the end of the effectiveness of protest, it is also a manual for how to overthrow the broken world systems we suffer under. This is a playbook for everyone who dreams of revolutionary change. Jonah Sachs, founder of Free Range Studios [T]he author is not short on ideas for how activists can mix things up as we attempt to change the world. . . . Readers embark on a whirlwind tour of historical examples. . . . At times, the book feels like looking through the activist equivalent of a genius designers scrapbook. . . . The End of Protest stakes out a unified schema and spectrum of possibilities. . . . The critical-minded will find much to debate, but they may also find much-needed ideas for how to protest a little differently and more effectively next time.

rabble.ca Revolution for the hell of it? Perhaps, this latter-day rejoinder to Saul Alinskys Rules for Radicals suggests, since revolution of other kinds seems nigh on impossible. Impossible, perhaps but still worth trying. . . . [A]ctivists, organizers, and civil libertarians of whatever stripe will want to have a look. Kirkus s Micah Whites new book, The End of Protest: A New Playbook for Revolution, could not have arrived at a more propitious moment. . . . A rich reflection on our quagmire of culture, corruption and the future of activism, politics and spirituality, which provides compelling context and proposes a call to action at a critical point in time when misery-infused doom seems like the prevailing national menu selection. LA Weekly Innovative. . . . Part manifesto, part memoir, and part history of activism, The End of Protest is a radical document in every sense of the word. . . . The End of Protest encompasses so much more than reflections on a controversial movement. . . . The End of Protest is crammed so full of fascinating research, stunning language, and spirited optimism that its bound to make you stop and think. The Huffington Post The most provocative book Ive read this year is The End of Protest by Micah White. . . . [H]e writes with brutal frankness about this, and, more generally, about how political protest as we know it marches, speeches, slogans, clicktivism has been completely ineffective for decades, and is growing even less so with every passing year. White does raise the interesting notion, though, of a new form of protest; one with an actually meaningful theory of change; an inchoate spectre that could haunt, chill, and even overthrow Establishment capitalism as we know it. TechCrunch About the Author MICAH WHITE is the award-winning activist who co-created Occupy Wall Street, a global social movement, while an editor of Adbusters magazine. His essays and interviews on the future of protest have been published in publications including The New York Times, The Guardian Weekly and Folha de So Paulo. Widely recognized as a pioneer of social movement creation, Micah White has been profiled by The New Yorker, and Esquire has named him one of the most influential young thinkers alive today. He directs Boutique Activist Consultancy a think tank specializing in impossible campaigns and is a frequent guest lecturer. Micah lives with his wife and son in Nehalem, a rural town on the coast of Oregon. His website is www.micahmwhite.com Excerpt. Reprinted by permission. All rights reserved.

You are needed You may long for the protest to end all protests, a final revolution that eradicates injustice and transforms society. You dream of a better world in which protest is no longer necessary. You wish to make protest effective so that the ideals you hold become manifest. For you the end of protest is a consummation of activism, the completion of your work and objective of your struggle. You understand that the end of protest is in itself revolution. This book will offer you tools for hastening social transformation. Recognizing that protest is one tool among many for creating social change, grab what works and discard the rest. And if you are threatened by revolution, fearing or disdaining movements like Occupy, and youve come to this book from a desire to end protest to foreclose dissent know that this book is for you, too. Uprisings always need people who convert to the cause from positions of power: police who switch sides, insiders who become whistleblowers, and politicians who heed the peoples demands. You may oppose us today but you will join us tomorrow. Our movement is even stronger when it includes the converted, who understand the errors of the old world because they embodied them. You may be skeptical of those who take to the streets, considering them reckless. They seem to have nothing to lose, and you have worked so hard to achieve your position, wealth and prestige. You may not sympathize with their anger. You may believe that good society ought to have few disruptions. True, many aspects of upheaval are unpleasant. Revolutions are sometimes violent and always have unintended consequences. In a society such as ours, writes Herbert Marcuse, a leading twentieth-century social theorist and philosopher, in which pacification has been achieved up to a certain point, it appears crazy at first to want revolution. For we have whatever we want. He continues with a prescription: [T]he aim here is to transform the will itself, so that people no longer want what they now want.³ You desire the end of protest, but the fulfilment of your desire would be disastrous for you. The lack of protest is perilous for society. Protest is a symptom of the need for social change, and the people in the streets are harbingers of greater democracy. The absence of effective protest is a warning sign of impending civil strife. Whether you support or suppress protesters, history shows that dissent is necessary for social growth and collective renewal. Revolution grants us the social freedom essential for humans to break old habits and reach their true collective potential.