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bc's Bill Fletcher, Jr. to be a Guest
this Weekend
On Moyers & Company



A note from Moyers & Company:

Lost in the Supreme media chatter last week: a disturbing ruling that restricts labor unions from directing collected dues toward political causes. There's no such limit on corporations, naturally – yet another indication that the power and status of modern unions is waning, especially when compared to the unbridled influence of Corporate America. With a sharp decline in union membership, a legion of new enemies, and a series of legal and legislative setbacks, can unions rebound and once again act strongly in the interest of ordinary workers?

On this week's *Moyers & Company* ([check local listings](#)), Bill talks to two people who can best answer the question: **Stephen Lerner** and **Bill Fletcher, Jr.** The architect of the SEIU's Justice for Janitors movement, Lerner directed SEIU's private equity project, which worked to expose a Wall Street feeding frenzy that left the working class in a state of catastrophe. Fletcher took his Harvard degree to the Massachusetts shipyards, and worked as a welder before becoming a labor activist. He served as assistant to the president of the AFL-CIO, and is author of the upcoming book *They're Bankrupting Us – And 20 Other Myths About Unions*.



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