

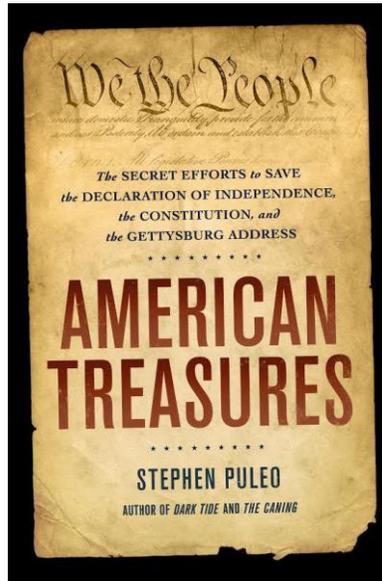


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Stephen Puleo is an author, historian, teacher, public speaker, and communications professional. A former award-winning newspaper reporter and contributor of feature stories and book reviews to publications that include *American History* magazine, *Politico*, and the *Boston Globe*, Puleo has taught history at Suffolk University in Boston, and also has developed and taught numerous writing workshops for high school and college students, as well as for adults who aspire to be writers. He holds a master's degree in history from UMass-Boston (1994), where he received the Dean's Award for Academic Achievement and was the Graduate Convocation keynote speaker. His master's thesis is entitled *From Italy to Boston's North End: Italian Immigration and Settlement, 1890-1910*. He holds a bachelor's degree in English from UMass-Boston.

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