

Cerritos College 2016 Women's History Celebration



WOMEN TRANSFORMING
COMMUNITIES THROUGH
ENGAGEMENT



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To all of you: thank you!

The Women's History Celebration Committee

BEYOND CLASSROOM EVENTS

Cerritos College Library – Women’s History Celebration Book Exhibition

Coordinator: Paula Pereira- Librarian
Date: February through May
Time: Library Hours
Place: Library Lobby

Women’s History Celebration Essay Contest

February – Essay Contest Promotion

Deadline for submissions
Date: Friday, March 4, 2016
Time: no later than 4 p.m.

March/April – Selection of winners
Award Ceremony
Date: Wednesday, May 4, 2016
Time: 6p.m.
Room: Cheryl A. Epple Board Room

Tribute to Women’s Writers Event

Coordinated by Foreign Languages
Department Facilitator:
Prof. Froylán Cabuto

Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2016
Time: 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.
Room: LC 155

Activism and Mayors of Cities Served by Cerritos College

Date: Thursday, April 28, 2016
Time: 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Room: LC 155

Closing Event: Activism and Women Transforming Communities through Engagement Ceremony of Appreciation for participants in the Women’s History Celebration.

Date: Thursday, May 5, 2016
Time: 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Room: Cheryl A. Epple Board Room
Reception: 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Place: Administration Quad

Coda!

Women Hold up Half of the Sky

Conference

American Association for Women in
Community Colleges (AAWCC)
Region IX, South Coast Area

Conference Theme:

Time Changes Things...Are You Growing?

Morning Keynote:

Carol Marzouk, CEO,
Leadership 'N' Soul

Afternoon Keynote:

Kevin Riley, IT Systems and Infrastructure
Engineer

Date: Friday, May 6, 2016
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Location: Cerritos Public Library,
Skyline Room
Cerritos, California

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT DR. JOSE FIERRO:



Thank you for the opportunity to provide my thoughts on this important topic. As someone raised in the company of dynamic, successful women, I recognize the need for and benefits of programs that support the development of women leaders. Our society continues to encounter instances of gender inequality: men outnumber women in the workforce by a 25% margin and earn at least 25% more. Women of color receive approximately 60% of the average salary earned by Caucasian men. As of 2013, California women of color represented 61% of the female population, and at least one in four of these women lives in poverty. Women occupy a scant 4.8% of the total CEO positions at S&P 500 companies, and are estimated to continue to be underrepresented in science and technology fields.

These inequalities must be addressed and eliminated through programs that encourage the development of women in leadership roles. Such programs have recognizable commonalities: mentorship, professional development, group support, and a focus on goal setting authentic to the individual woman. Alongside these programs, the creation of “identity workspaces” that support women transitioning into leadership roles and increased education and awareness on second-generation gender bias are necessary additions to the existing workplace. The absence of bias awareness and education creates the opportunity for discriminatory, stereotypical myths about women to persist. These myths justify inequities; frame successful women as exceptions; and codify women’s setbacks as indicative of insufficient ambition. Intentional programming coupled with education empowers women to self-advocate; seek support; and develop as leaders, which, in turn, strengthens our society overall.

I believe my personal success is directly connected to the unconditional support of my mother and my wife, both notable women in their career fields. Our college is strengthened through the leadership of four Cerritos College Trustees: Carmen Avalos, Marisa Perez, Sandra Salazar and Shin Liu. Gender inequality should not continue to marginalize the representation of women within leadership positions, and I am passionate about taking steps to better support our current and future women leaders.

Dr. Jose Fierro
Cerritos College
President/Superintendent

Notice: Events are subject to change. Please visit the Women’s and Gender Studies Department website, for updates, <http://cms.cerritos.edu/ws/> or contact Ana Torres-Bower, Chair, Women’s and Gender Studies Department, torresbower@cerritos.edu. Thank you.

Greetings Cerritos College Community!

The Women's and Gender Studies Department and the Women's History Celebration (WHC) Committee invite you to attend our 2016 events. This year, our events emphasize active involvement, so the very act of your participation embodies our theme. As such, we thank you for your active engagement in our campus community!

Our official theme, Women Transforming Communities through Engagement, grows from the 2016 theme of The National Women's History Project—Working to Form a More Perfect Union: Honoring Women in Public Service and Government. We chose to broaden this theme to encompass the everyday contributions of individuals like you, us, and all our families and neighbors.

Our 2016 Women's History Celebration (WHC) events promote collaboration and inclusive solutions. They celebrate individuals who champion basic human rights and ensure access and equal opportunity for all. They acknowledge the tenacity and hard work of fearless public activists, and the persistence and determination of behind-the-scenes change-makers improving lives in their own neighborhoods.

From February to May, look out for WHC events all around campus. We will read books together, learn from important films, and discuss history, philosophy, science, sociology, religion, psychology, art, education, civics—and the list goes on.

We look forward to your involvement in these events!

All the best from the WHC planning team,

Dr. Pauline Acosta,
Sociology and Women's and Gender Studies

Prof. Michelle Fagundes,
English and Women's and Gender Studies

Ms. Rachel Mason,
Instructional Dean B/H/SS

Prof. Ana Torres-Bower,
Department Chair, Philosophy and Women's and Gender Studies

Ms. Margo Winners,
Graphic Designer, Public Affairs

For more information about the Women's History Celebration events please visit, www.cerritos.edu/ws

STUDENT PROGRAM SERIES:

Forensics Readers Theater Showcase

April Griffin, Director of Forensics
Date: Wednesday, March 2, 2016
Time: 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Room: LC 155

Forensics Showcase II

Date: Wednesday, March 30, 2016
Time: 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Room: LC 155

"WE'RE ALL CAPABLE OF CLIMBING SO MUCH HIGHER THAN WE USUALLY PERMIT OURSELVES."
~ OCTAVIA BUTLER

STUDENT SERVICES SERIES:

Student Health Services Open House

Dr. Hillary Mennella
Open House Event to be announced

Transfer Center Pizza with the Privates Universities

Britany Lundeen
Date: Tuesday, February 23, 2016
Time: 2 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.
Room: LC 155

University Fair!

Date: Tuesday, March 8, 2016
Time: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Place: Falcon Square

Re-Entry Resource Program Women Employers' Panel – Removing Barriers to Successful Employment

Date: Thursday, March 3, 2016
Time: 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Room: LA 103

Re-Entry Resource Program Single Parenting & Blended Families

Casa Youth Shelter
Shannon Estrada
Date: Thursday, March 10, 2016
Time: 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Room: BE 109

Re-Entry Resource Program Community Resource Fair- People Helping People!

Date: Thursday, April 21, 2016
Time: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Place: Amphitheater Sidewalk

Umoja, Puente Project, Career Services Activism and Transformation: Voices of our Collective Experience

Dr. Shelia Hill, Rosa Carrillo, and Clara Ross-Jones
Date: Tuesday, March 22, 2016
Time: 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Room: SL 108

STUDENT CLUB SERIES:

More information about student club events will be provided throughout the semester.

Philosophy Club:

When god was a girl: Film screening and group discussion

Prof. Robert Sliff (Club Adviser)

Date: Tuesday, February 2, 2016

Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Room: SS 137

Chinese Club:

Mulan: Film screening and group discussion on Women's leadership in China. Prof Yiran Zhou – Club Adviser

Gender Equality Club (GEC):

Tough Guise 2 film: A discussion of Gender and Masculinity.

Dr. Pauline Acosta, Club Adviser and Olivia Salas, GEC president

Date: Wednesday, February 17, 2016

Time: 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Room: LC 155

Passion for Children's Club:

Activism and our Club Mission

Ana Torres-Bower - Advisor and Jada Blanchard, club president

Philosophy Club:

Effective Altruism: Eradicating Extreme Poverty Globally

Coordinator: Timothy Chatman

Date: Tuesday, April 5, 2016

Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Room: SS 137

Psychology Club:

Dr. Jaclyn Ronquillo (Adviser) and Alexandra Gomez (TA)

"TO BE TRULY VISIONARY WE HAVE TO ROOT OUR IMAGINATION IN OUR CONCRETE REALITY WHILE SIMULTANEOUSLY IMAGINING POSSIBILITIES BEYOND THAT REALITY."

~ BELL HOOKS

PRESIDENTS' SERIES:



Dr. Erlinda Martinez,

President, Santa Ana College

Topic: Leadership and Activism:

The Journey of a Latina College President

Date: Thursday, March 3, 2016

Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Room: LC 155



Renee D. Martinez,

President, Los Angeles City College

Topic: A Latina's Journey to the Community College Presidency

Date: Thursday, March 24, 2016

Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Room: LC 155



Dr. Linda Rose,

President, Southwest College

Topic: Five Steps for Personal Transformation through Active Engagement

Date: Thursday, April 7, 2016

Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Room: LC 155

"YOU ONLY HAVE WHAT YOU GIVE. IT'S BY SPENDING YOURSELF THAT YOU BECOME RICH."

~ ISABEL ALLENDE

SPEAKER SERIES:

Dr. Adam Ackley – Professor of Religious Studies, University of Redlands

Topic: Engaging and Transforming our Community Relationships with LGBTIQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer) People: A Religious Studies Perspective

Date: Thursday, February 4, 2016

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Room: LC 155

9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. - Workshop Session I

Building meaningful, respectful vocabulary to transform our dialogue and engagement with diverse people.

11 a.m. 12:15 p.m. – Workshop Session II

Exploring the diversity of views by and about LGBTIQ people in various world religious traditions.

Dr. Ted Stolze – Department of Philosophy, Cerritos College

Topic: The Personal is Ecological: Feminism, Consciousness Raising, and Climate Change

Date: Tuesday, March 8, 2016

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Room: SS 137

Dr. Patricia Easton – Professor of Philosophy, Claremont Graduate University

**Topic: The Lost Daughter of Cartesian Science:
Françoise-Marguerite de Grignan (1645-1705)**

Date: Thursday, March 10, 2016

Time: 11a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Room: Cheryl A. Epple Board Room

“WHEN WE SPEAK WE ARE AFRAID OUR WORDS WILL NOT BE HEARD OR WELCOMED.
BUT WHEN WE ARE SILENT WE ARE STILL AFRAID. SO IT IS BETTER TO SPEAK.”

~ AUDRE LORDE



BOOK-CLUB SERIES:

Please contact coordinators for scheduled days and times

1. Notorious RBG: The Life and Times of Ruth Bader Ginsburg

by Irin Carmon and Shana Knizhnik

Faculty Coordinators: Kimberly Rosenfeld and Stephanie Rossenblatt, and Amanda Reyes

Contact: krosenfeld@cerritos.edu

2. I am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban

by Malala Yousafzai

Faculty Coordinator: Corina Diaz and Bobbi-Lee Smart

Contact: cdiaz@cerritos.edu

3. Parable of the Sower by Octavia E. Butler

Faculty Coordinators: Michelle Fagundes, and Damon Cagnolatti

Contact: mfagundes@cerritos.edu

4. The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros

Faculty Coordinator: Dr. Pauline Acosta

Contact: pacosta@cerritos.edu

5. Across a Hundred Mountains by Reyna Grande

Faculty Coordinators: Rocio Casillas and Rosa Carrillo

Contact: rcasillas@cerritos.edu

Note: The book clubs are student forums to discuss readings on activism and community transformation. The first twenty students to sign up for each book will receive the free book to read and discuss at three book club meetings.

Please contact the faculty coordinators for your book of choice for information on meeting dates, times, and locations.

“WHAT YOU’RE SUPPOSED TO DO WHEN YOU DON’T LIKE A THING IS CHANGE IT. IF YOU CAN’T CHANGE IT, CHANGE THE WAY YOU THINK ABOUT IT.”

~ MAYA ANGELOU



April Films:

Film: **He named me Malala** (PG-13; 2015; Documentary)

After the Taliban tries to kill her for speaking out on behalf of girls' education, Pakistani teenager Malala Yousafzai emerges as a leading advocate for children's rights and the youngest-ever Nobel Peace Prize Laureate.

Date: Thursday, April 14, 2016

Time: 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Room: S 201

Facilitator: Prof. Teri Cheatham

Film: **A Walk to Beautiful** (PG-13; 2007; Documentary)

It tells the stories of five women in Ethiopia who are ostracized by their family and villages due to their suffering from obstetric fistula, a serious medical condition caused by failed childbirth under conditions of insurmountable poverty and inadequate health care. These women live in isolation with a sense of loneliness and shame due to rejection by their own families. Each of these five women choose to reclaim their lives by taking the long and exhausting journey to the Addis Ababa Fistula Hospital so they could receive the medical treatment available only there. Upon arriving at the hospital, the women are treated free of charge, resulting in new beginnings. Not every patient can be cured, but each woman takes her own journey toward becoming independent and productive members of their communities once again. The film was chosen for the International Documentary Association Best Feature Documentary Film of the Year award in 2007.

Date: Thursday, April 28, 2016

Time: 5 p.m.

Room: SS 138

Facilitator: Prof. Teri Cheatham

"WE REALIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR VOICE WHEN WE ARE SILENCED."
~ MALALA YOUSAFZAI

FACULTY EVENT SERIES:

Women as Superheroes: Myth and Reality

Profs: Michelle Fagundes and
Ana Torres-Bower-

Date: Tuesday, February 2, 2016

Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Room: SS 140

Nietzsche's Critique of Gender in Beyond Good and Evil

Mr. Timothy Chatman, MA Philosophy,
University of Nice, France

Date: Tuesday, February 16, 2016

Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Room: SS 137

Feminist Theory: Personal Experience as a Source of Knowledge

Dr. Veronica Bloomfield, Chapman
University and Cal State University-Los
Angeles, Adjunct Professor

Date: Wednesday, February 17, 2016

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Room: SS 137

The Metaphysics of Gender

Prof. Andrew Rehfeld and Timothy
Chatman (Philosophy)

Dates: Thursday, February 18 and

Thursday, April 21, 2016

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Room: SS 137

Feminist Theology: Gender and the Religious Experience

Profs. Andrew Rehfeld (Philosophy) and
Mariam Youssef (Women and Gender
Studies)

Date: Tuesday, February 23, 2016

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Room: SS 137

Immigrant Stories Transforming our Communities, How I learned English:

The Story of a Brave Mexican Girl

Paula Pereira (Librarian) Joann Sugihara-
Cheetham (ESL), and Martha Robles (ESL-
Adult Education and Diversity Programs)

Date: Wednesday, February 24, 2016

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Room: LC 155

Women as Presidents in Latin America

Prof. Walter Fernández

Date: Tuesday, March 1, 2016

Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Room: LC 155

Defining Manhood in America: Film screening and Discussion

Prof. Julie Trager

Date: Tuesday, March 8, 2016

Time: 4 p.m. – 6p.m.,

Room: FA 43

Social Media and Activism

Prof. Mariam Youssef

Date: Tuesday, March 22, 2016

Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Room: SS 137

Women in Renaissance Art

Dr. Lisa Boutin-Vitela

Date: Thursday, March 24, 2016

Time: 12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Room: FA 43

FACULTY EVENT SERIES (CONTINUED):

Caring for the Caretaker: Your Well-Being Matters Too!

Dr. Veronica Sanchez and
Dr. Pauline Acosta

Date: Tuesday, March 29, 2016
Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Room: SS 137

My life as an activist: How to use your talents effectively!

Prof. Diane Pirtle

Date: Thursday, March 31, 2016
Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Room: SS 137

Gender and Society: Challenges and Activism

Prof. Michelle Ysaïs

Tuesday, March 3, 2016
Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Room: SS 136

Compassion and Global Activism: From Whittier, CA to Nepal

Dr. Kim Berling

Date: Tuesday, April 5, 2016
11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Room: SS 137

Women as Leaders in the Economy: Myths, Challenges, and Achievements

Prof. Katya de los Rios
and ECON 101 Students

Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2016
Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Room: SS 306

Written out of History: The Story of Women as Peace Builders in North Ireland

Dr. John Hass

Date: Thursday, April 14, 2016
Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Room: LC 155

Activism and Earth Day

Dr. Ralph Casas

Date: Tuesday, April 19, 2016
Time: 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.,
Room: SS 137

A 21st Century Hero: I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban

Dr. Francie Quaas-Berryman and Puente
Project Students

Date: Wednesday, April 27, 2016
Time: 9 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.
Room: HS 104

ACTIVISM! A MOVIE SERIES

March Films:

Film: North Country - (R; 2005)

Single mother Josey Aimes (Charlize Theron) is part of a group of the first women to work at a local iron mine in Minnesota. Offended that they have to work with men, male workers at Eveleth Mines lash out at them and subject them to sexual harassment. Appalled by the constant stream of insults, sexually explicit language and physical abuse, Josey – despite being cautioned against it by family and friends -- files a historic sexual harassment. Lawsuit.

Date: Wednesday, March 23, 2016
Time: 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Room: S 201

Facilitator: Prof Michelle Fagundes

Film: The Suffragettes - (PG-13; 2015)

In early 20th-century Britain, the growing suffragette movement forever changes the life of working wife and mother Maud Watts (Carey Mulligan). Galvanized by political activist Emmeline Pankhurst (Meryl Streep), Watts joins a diverse group of women who fight for equality and the right to vote. Faced with increasing police action, Maud and her dedicated suffragettes must play a dangerous game of cat-and-mouse, risking their jobs, homes, family and lives for a just cause.

Date: Wednesday, March 30, 2016
Time: 2 p.m.
Room: S 201

Facilitators: Profs. Corina Diaz and Bobbi-Lee Smart

Film: Wonder Women! The Untold Story of American Superheroines (Documentary; 2013)

Wonder Women! The Untold Story of American Superheroines traces the fascinating birth, evolution, and legacy of Wonder Woman, and introduces audiences to a dynamic group of fictional and real-life superheroines fighting for positive role models for girls, both on screen and off. Female superheroes, warrior princesses, and other icons of women's empowerment in pop culture owe their existence to Wonder Woman — the unlikely brainchild of a Harvard-trained pop psychologist. From Wonder Woman's original, radical World War II presence, to her uninspiring 1960s incarnation as a fashion boutique owner, to her dramatic resurrection by feminist Gloria Steinem and the women of Ms. Magazine, Wonder Woman's legacy continues today.

Date: Thursday, March 31, 2016
Time: 5 p.m.
Room: LC 155

Facilitators: Profs. Lance Kayser and Ja'net Daniello

"THE ONLY DEPENDABLE TEST FOR A GENDER IS THE TRUTH OF A PERSON'S LIFE,
THE LIVES WE LIVE EACH DAY."

~ JENNIFER FINNEY BOYLAND