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HR News & Events

SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2010 UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

Welcome Back!

Human Rights Research Guides. Did you know that there is a librarian available to help you with your research on human rights topics? Valerie Love, Curator for Human Rights Collections at the Dodd Research Center, http://www.lib.uconn.edu/services/liaison/Love.html has created research guides to assist you in finding books, peer-reviewed journal articles, reliable websites and news sources, films, and archival materials located at the UConn Libraries on human rights. Valerie also maintains a blog on upcoming human rights events at the Dodd Research Center and research tips at http://humanrightsresearch.wordpress.com/. If you have question, email Valerie at valerie.love@uconn.edu.



Valerie Love

- Rainbow Center Lecture Series. The Rainbow Center's Out to Lunch Lecture Series starts the semester with a presentation by Barry Schreier entitled, Onus and Burden: Let's Make Two Things Perfectly Queer! on Wednesday, September, 8th from 12:00–1:30 pm at the Student Union (SU 403). The GLBTQ Civil Rights movement can get mired down because of peoples' unawareness of the subtle dynamics occurring between civil rights movement and those that oppose it. This presentation describes these important dynamics as well as creative ways to give onus and burden back to those that create it. For more information, please visit http://www.rainbowcenter.uconn.edu/Programs/otl.html.
- The 2010-2011 Human Rights in the USA Film Series starts on Wednesday, September 15th at 4:00 pm with the film Children of Shadows (2001) in Konover Auditorium at the Thomas J. Dodd Research Center. Samuel Martinez, Associate Professor of Anthropology will lead a Q & A with filmmaker Karen Kramer, and a reception will follow. For more information, please visit <u>http:// doddcenter.uconn.edu/events/hr film series 2010 2011.htm</u>.
- The Rainbow Center Coffee House continues this semester on Fridays! Every Friday evening from 6:00-10:00pm, the Rainbow Center (SU 403) offers free coffee, tea, cocoa and treats. Great conversation, board games, poetry, music, relaxation, and a great place to meet new people or visit with old friends!! The theme for this Friday, September 10th is JERSEY SHORE. For more information, please visit www.rainbowcenter.uconn.edu.

- If you plan to complete a human rights internship this semester and would like to receive HR minor credit for it, please set up an appointment with Archana Krishnan ASAP! Please see her office hours in the left hand column and email her with a time you would like to meet. All students interested in receiving internship credit must be enrolled in HRTS 3245 by Monday, September 13th.
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Children of Shadows (2001) HR in the USA Film Series

visit http://doddcenter.uconn.edu/events/hr_film_series_2010_2011.htm.

- On Thursday, September 16th, the UConn in Cape Town Symposium and Info Session will take place at the Women's Center (Student Union) from **5:00-7:00 pm.** This program draws on UConn's core value of Human Rights and will immerse you into the living history of South Africa by directly involving you in the institutions that are wrestling with South Africa's troubled past and creating a modern democratic civil society.
- Rwanda Human Rights Delegation for Young Leaders. Global Youth Connect, an international human rights organization, is accepting applications from young leaders (ages 18-35) for their International Human Rights Delegation and Training program in Rwanda (Dec 28, 2010 - Jan 16, 2011). The delegates will join a 2.5 week-long Learning and Action Community (LAC) comprised of Rwandan youth activists and grassroots NGOs, and centered on three core activities: a human rights education and training workshop, site visits within Rwanda to organizations and institutions, and volunteer service projects with grassroots NGOs. Application Deadline: September 27th, 2010. For detailed information on program activities, costs, fundraising/financial aid, and application information, please visit: www.globalyouthconnect.org/participate.

- The Study Abroad Fair will be held on Wednesday, September 15th in the Rome Ballroom, from 4:00-7:00pm. If you are considering completing your HR internship while studying abroad, this is a great way to learn more about the opportunities available.
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Upcoming Events

- Caring About "U"Conn Lunchtime Learning Event. Volunteering is one of the most rewarding and useful things you can do in life. To learn how to find meaning by helping others, please attend the presentation on Volunteerism on Tuesday, September 21st from 12:00-1:00 pm in SU 304A.
- Gladstein Lecture. The 2010 Marsha Lilien Gladstein Visiting Professor in Human Rights Ariella Azoulay of Bar Ilan University will present her lecture "Photography (studio) without borders" on Tuesday, September 21st at 4:00 pm in the Dodd Konover Auditorium. A reception will follow. For questions please contact Rachel Jackson, rachel.jackson@uconn.edu
- Idealists United will have their meeting on Tuesday, September 21st from 6:30-8:00 pm in Beach Hall 404. Idealists United is a human rights/social justice organization that promotes awareness, builds community, and educates locally and globally. We accomplish this by organizing events, free concerts and speakers. Idealists United is known on campus for bringing together a diverse group of people to advocate for positive social change.



- Rainbow Center Lecture Series. The Rainbow Center's Out to Lunch Lecture Series continues with a presentation by Nels P. Highberg entitled, "1990: National Attacks on Representations of Gender and Sexuality" on Wednesday, September 22nd from 12:00–1:30 pm at the Student Union (SU 403). 1990 was a year filled with legal, political, and cultural challenges to artistic depictions of gender and sexuality. Robert Mapplethorpe, David Wojnarowicz, Marlon Riggs, Holly Hughes, and so many others had to defend their work on a national scale as members of Congress, religious leaders, and the mainstream media attacked their work. This presentation combines archival research with the analysis of primary documents from the time period to examine why these attacks happened at this time and what effects remain even today. Nels P. Highberg is associate professor and chair of the Department of Rhetoric and Professional Writing at the University of Hartford where he is also a former director of the Program in Gender Studies. For more information, please visit http://www.rainbowcenter.uconn.edu/Programs/otl.html.
- "La Casa Rosa: Fighting for the Future in a Free-Trade World," a play produced by Families Without Borders will be performed by the Mexican group Soame Citalime (Women of the Stars) on Thursday September 23rd, from 11:00–2:30 pm in the Konover Auditorium, Dodd Research Center . Please see the attached flier for more information on the play. To learn more about Families Without Borders, please visit: <u>http://lacasarosausa.blogspot.com/p/about-families-without-borders.html</u>.

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Upcoming Events

- On Monday, September 27th, the UConn Social Entrepreneur Corps in Guatemala Symposium will be held in the UConn Alumni Center, Great Hall from 7:00-8:30 pm. During Summer 2010, 14 UConn students spent eight weeks in Guatemala, assisting local entrepreneurs in starting and sustaining businesses that provide essential products and services to their communities. They will share how they practiced global citizenship in Guatemala using core principles of social entrepreneurship. For more information, please visit http://www.honors.uconn.edu.
- A.H.E.A.D. meeting. The Aiding Haitian Education Advancement & Development (A.H.E.A.D.) meetings are held weekly and will be held this week on Tuesday, September 28th from 7:30-8:30 pm at SU 321. For further information regarding this event, please contact <u>Talicha.Vaval@uconn.edu</u>.
- Human Rights Lecture. Please join us in welcoming Dr. Salomón Lerner Febres for a lecture on Difficulties and Successes in Social Responsibility and Human Rights on Thursday, September 30th from 3:00-5:00 pm in the Dodd Konover Auditorium. Dr. Lerner has been a very important leader not only with the Peruvian educational system but he is been a key architect of Peru's human rights movement and he is recognized throughout the world in this capacity. The lecture will be followed by a reception. To register for this event please fill out this <u>online registration form</u>. For questions and more information, please contact Frances Graham at 860-486-0315 or <u>fran-</u> ces.graham@buisness.uconn.edu.



Dr. Salomón Lerner Febres

Domestic Violence Seminar. The Ahimsa Seminar on Overcoming Domestic Violence in Connecticut will be held on Saturday, October 2nd from 10:30 am - 12:30 pm at the Dodd Konover Auditorium. The program will closely examine the complexity of domestic violence and critically assess the recent changes in Connecticut laws to address domestic/family violence including the implementation of an experimental GPS monitoring system, early intervention training for teachers and school counselors in domestic and dating violence, 24-hour staffing for emergency shelters, a provision for breaking leases to escape domestic Violence, and additional court dockets. Speakers/panelists from the CT Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Interval House, Violence Against Women Prevention Program, and Police Services/Public Safety, will also talk about the triumphs and challenges of providing direct services to immigrant communities, advocating at the college level and in faith-based communities, creating safe communities, and training law enforcement officers. For more information, please visit http://www.asianamerican.uconn.edu.

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Upcoming Events

- The True Colors XVIII Conference is scheduled to be held during Spring Break, March 11-12, 2011 and the organization is seeking volunteers to help with the conference. Attend the True Colors Conference Organizing Meeting on Monday, October 4th from 6:00- 8:00 pm at the Rainbow Center (SU 403) to learn how you can help make the True Colors Conference a success. Subsequent monthly meetings will be held on Monday, November 1st and Monday, December 6th. For more information, please visit <u>http://www.ourtruecolors.org</u>.
- Invisible Children Face to Face Tour Screening. Invisible Children will be coming to UConn on Tuesday, October 5th where Ugandans will share their personal experiences regarding the longest raging war in Africa, the abduction of child who are forced to become soldiers, and what we all can do to help solve it. The event will take place at 8:30 pm in the Studetn Union Theatre. For more information, please contact Jessica Montana at invisiblechildrenuconn@gmail.com.
- Undocumented Students Documentary. In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month and Latino Awareness Week, the documentary "Papers" will be screened on Wednesday, October 6th from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Dodd Konover Auditorium. Papers is a powerful documentary that reveals the story of undocumented youth and the challenges they face as they turn 18 without legal status. There are approximately 2 million undocumented children who were born outside the U.S. and raised and educated in this country. These are young people who were educated in American schools, hold American values, know only the U.S. as home and who, upon high



school graduation find the door to their future slammed shut. For more information about the documentary, please visit <u>www.papersthemovie.com</u>.

- The Reproductive Rights Committee Meeting will be held this Wednesday, October 6th from 7:00-8:00 pm in the Women's Center (SU 421). The Reproductive Rights Committee is devoted to raising awareness and promoting reproductive choice and justice through films, panels, volunteering, and fund-raising.
- Documentary on Modern-Day Slavery. On Thursday, October 7th at 6:00 pm, the feature documentary film "Call+Response" will be screened in the Student Union Theatre. The film goes deep undercover where slavery is thriving from the child brothels of Cambodia to the slave brick kilns of rural India. Luminaries on the issue such as Madeleine Albright, Ashley Judd, Nicholas Kristof, and many other prominent political and cultural figures offer firsthand accounts of this 21th century trade. The film's director, Justin Dillon will be holding a Q&A session following the film. For more information on the documentary, please visit www.callandresponse.com.
- The Nepali Justice Global Network is hosting a fund-raising lunch at the Bollywood Grill, 2333 Main Street, Glastonbury, CT 06033 on October 24th at 12:00 pm. As the Nepali population continues to grow in the United States, the instances of gender based violence increase in direct proportion. Victims of domestic abuse within the Nepali Diaspora do not have the same social networks of support they might have had in their home country. In addition to advocating for basic human rights, NWGN has initiated the Justice Fund to help women who are in need of financial support while transitioning into independence from abusive situations. For tickets, please contact <u>MinervaRanjeet@gmail.com</u>



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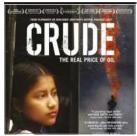
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OCTOBER 11TH, 2010 UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

Upcoming Events

- Book Talk. Join activist and author Roberta Villalon on Wednesday, October 13th at 12:00 pm in the UConn Co-op as she discusses her new book Violence Against Latina Immigrants, Citizenship, Inequality and Community. Roberta Villalon was born in Argentina during the country's most difficult years. She has studied and worked against power abuse most of her life as a volunteer, a scholar and a professor. In her book, she looks at women caught between violent partners at home and the bureaucratic complications of the US Immigration System.
- The 2010-2011 Human Rights in the Americas Film Series continues this Wednesday, October 13th at 4:00 pm with the film Crude (2009) in the Dodd Konover Auditorium. Three years in the making, this cinéma-vérité feature from acclaimed filmmaker Joe Berlinger (Brother's Keeper, Paradise Lost, Metallica: Some Kind of Monster) is the epic story of one of the largest and most controversial environmental lawsuits on the planet. The inside story of the infamous "Amazon Chernobyl" case, Crude is a real-life high stakes legal drama, set against a backdrop of the environmental movement, global politics, celebrity activism, human rights advocacy, the media, multinational corporate power, and rapidly-disappearing indigenous cultures. Presenting a complex situation from multiple viewpoints, the film subverts the conventions of advocacy film-



Crude (2009)

making, exploring a complicated situation from all angles while bringing an important story of environmental peril and human suffering into focus. For more information, please visit <u>http://</u><u>doddcenter.uconn.edu/events/hr_film_series_2010_2011.htm</u>.

The Issues of Poverty Conference will be held on Friday, October 29th in the Student Center at Eastern Connecticut State University from 8:45 am-1:30 pm. Representatives from organizations addressing issues of poverty in New England, Connecticut and the Windham Region will present a snapshot of current efforts, followed by in-depth breakout sessions and a keynote speech from Patricia Julianelle, Legal Counsel for the National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth. This is a great opportunity to learn more about efforts to address the varied issues related to poverty in our communities. The conference is free to attend, but registration is required by October 15th at http://calendar.easternct.edu/EventList. Community Outreach will provide free transportation to all UConn attendees. To view the full conference agenda, please visit: http://www.easternct.edu/communityengagement/documents/schedule.pdf.

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The Honors Alternative Spring Break is now accepting applications for their 2011 trip to New Orleans, LA. There will be two information sessions: Wednesday, October 6th at 8:00 pm in South, Wilson Hall, 1st floor and Thursday, October 14th at 6:00 pm in CUE 134. Applications are due to the Honors Office (CUE 419), and are accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Please contact uchasb@gmail.com with any questions. Applications will also be available at the Honors Office.



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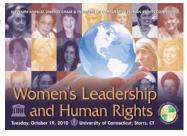
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Upcoming Events

The UNESCO Chair 11th Annual International Human Rights Conference on Women's Leadership will take place on Tuesday, October 19th from 9:00am-3:15pm at the Student Union Theatre. This year's conference is convened not only to evaluate, compare and map out strategies and best practices that would facilitate the eradication of discrimination against women in all regions of the world, but also to pay tribute to women leadership and agencies in expanding the frontiers of human rights. Integral to these objectives is raising awareness about the reality of discrimination against women in ways which



might not be crystal clear to all, and thus enabling all of us to engage meaningfully in combating the scourge of social discrimination against women. For more information, please visit http:// www.unescochair.uconn.edu.

- Professor lenny Rivera, CUNY School of Law will give her talk on Challenges and Obstacles Faced by Latina Domestic Violence Survivors on Tuesday, October 19th from 6:00-7:00 pm at the UConn Stamford campus (MPR, 108). Professor Rivera is the founder and director of the Law School's Center on Latino and Latina Rights and Equality (CLORE), and a former Administrative Law Judge of the New York State Division of Human Rights.
- On October 20th, the award-winning film Arna's Children (2004) directed by Juliano Mer Khamis, will be featured at 4:00 pm in the Dodd Konover Auditorium. Arna's Children is a film about the Freedom Theater in the Jenin Refugee Camp in Palestine. Following the film, Juliano Mer Khamis and his colleagues will offer a presentation and dialogue on the arts and politics in Palestine at 6:00 pm. A discussion and reception will follow at 7:30 pm.
- The Puerto Rican Studies Association will be hosting the 9th Biennial meeting conference Cuerpos vigilados y castigados: Resistance and Empowerment in the Body Rican on October 21-23 in Hartford, CT. For more information on the conference, please visit http://www.puertorican-studies.org/.

- HRI Funding Opportunity. The Human Rights Institute offers competitive funding grants ranging from\$1000 \$5000 to students pursuing a minor in Human Rights. For more information, please visit http://www.humanrights.uconn.edu/awards/undergraduatefunding.php.
- Youth Video Contest. After the cost of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan reached \$1 trillion, The American Friends Service Committee and National Priorities Project teamed up this summer to create the If I Had a Trillion Dollars Youth Video Contest. The contest invites youth ages 13-23 to create short videos (1-3 minutes) exploring the ways they would spend \$1 trillion for their families, their schools or their communities. For information on how to apply, please visit http://afsc.org/action/if-ihad-trillion-dollars-youth-video-contest..



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- Join fellow green Huskies on Tuesday, October 26th at 7:00 pm in Castleman 212 for a screening of the documentary *Food, Inc.* to raise awareness about food production in the US and promoting organic and locally grown food. A panel discussion will follow the screening.
- The 2nd Annual Run against Biasness will take place on Saturday, October 30th at 11:00 am. Registration for the race is free and will start at 10:00 am in the lower part of Putnam Refectory (Putnam Dining Hall). The run will start at 11:00 am behind Hilltop Halls. There will be a post-run celebration in Lower Putnam where there will be a discussion on how athletic events can be used as a change tool. For more information on this event, please call contact Terrence Abney at terrence.abney@uconn.edu or 860-486-5574.
- On Sunday, October 31st, the UConn chapter of Habitat for Humanity will hold a meeting in CUE 122 from 8:30–9:00 pm. The UConn Habitat for Humanity collaborates with Windham Area Habitat to help build safe, affordable housing in partnership with families in need. Habitat volunteers donate their time to go on builds as well as raise awareness of their cause. In addition, they hold various fundraisers throughout the semester, including Hire-A-Habitator, 5-K runs, and bake sales. New members are welcome. For more information, please visit the group's Facebook page at http://www.facebook.com/#!/group.php?gid=11510253187977.
- The True Colors XVIII Conference is scheduled to be held during Spring Break, March 11-12, 2011 and the organization is seeking volunteers to help with the conference. Attend the True Colors Conference Organizing Meeting on Monday, November 1st from 6:00- 8:00 pm at the Rainbow Center (SU 403) to learn how you can help make the True Colors Conference a success. For more information, please visit http://www.ourtruecolors.org.
- The World Affairs Council presents the **2010 Marilyn Albert** Lecture on Friday, November 13th from 6:00-7:30 pm at the Mark Twain House Visitors Center, 351 Farmington Avenue, Hartford. The lecture features Christine Karumba, the Women for Women International's Country Director for the Democratic Republic of the Congo accompanied by Women for Women International's Judithe Registre. Women for Women International supports women in war-torn regions with financial and emotional aid, job-



skills training, rights education and small business assistance so they can rebuild their lives. This event is free and open to the public. For reservations, please call 860.241.6118 or email <u>info@ctwac.org</u>.

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- The True Colors XVIII Conference is scheduled to be held during Spring Break, March 11-12, 2011 and the organization is seeking volunteers to help with the conference. Attend the True Colors Conference Organizing Meeting on Monday, November 1st from 6:00- 8:00 pm at the Rainbow Center (SU 403) to learn how you can help make the True Colors Conference a success. For more information, please visit http://www.ourtruecolors.org.
- Lecture on Human Trafficking. Danelle Ragoonanan-Storph, Director, Project Rescue and Assist New Americans, International Institute of CT, Inc will discuss the issue of human trafficking though her lecture Human Trafficking 101 from the Victim Service Provider Perspective on Tuesday, November 2nd from 12:00-1:00 pm at the PRLACC Program Room (SU, 4th floor).
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- Internship Opportunity. The Office of Community Outreach has multiple openings for volunteers during the Spring 2011 semester. This is a great opportunity to fulfill the internship requirement for the Human Rights Minor. Detailed position descriptions and applications are available at http://www.studentactivities.uconn.edu/co_stu_selection.html. Applications are due by 5:00 pm on Friday, November 5th. If you have questions, please email <a href="mailto:co.selection@uconn.edu/co_stu_selection@uconn.edu/co_
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Upcoming Events

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- Rainbow Center Lecture Series. The Rainbow Center's Out to Lunch Lecture Series continues with a presentation by Regina Dyton entitled, "Urban LGBT Issues and Realities" on Wednesday, November 10th from 12:00–1:30 pm at the Student Union (SU 403). This presentation will be an overview and discussion of the intersections of race, ethnicity, socio-economic status, gender identity or expression and sexual orientation as they often present as multiple identities and the implications for real people struggling to live real lives. For more information, please visit http://www.rainbowcenter.uconn.edu/Programs/otl.html.
- The 2010-2011 Human Rights in the Americas Film Series continues this Wednesday, November 10th at 4:00 pm with the film State of Fear (2009) in the Dodd Konover Auditorium. State of Fear is set in the magnificent deserts, mountains, and jungles of Peru, filmed by a US/Peruvian team, and tells a gripping story of escalating violence and repression, and of courageous resistance by human rights defenders. For more information, please visit <u>http://doddcenter.uconn.edu/events/hr_film_series_2010_2011.htm</u>.



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- Change in Office Hours. Archana Krishnan will not be available during her usual office hours this week. If you need to meet with her, please email her at <u>archana.krishnan@uconn.edu</u>.



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Upcoming Events

On the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Peace Corps, The International Services and Programs Department at UConn will host a panel discussion on **Tuesday, November 16th** (TODAY!) from 5:00-7:00 pm in SU 304 A. The panel will feature **Returned Peace Corps Volunteers** from Micronesia, Cameroon, Kiribati, and South Korea. For more information about this event, please visit <u>http://www.disp.uconn.edu</u>.



- Rainbow Center Lecture Series. The Rainbow Center's Out to Lunch Lecture Series continues with a presentation by Kamora Harrington entitled, "Female Masculinity" on Wednesday, November 17th from 12:00–1:30 pm at the Student Union (SU 403). This presentation will examine depictions of masculine bio-women in popular culture, in both mainstream and alternative media. Harrington will discuss the history of masculine women in American society with a concentration on language and labels and how both of those have affected behavior. For more information, please visit http://www.rainbowcenter.uconn.edu/Programs/otl.html.
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- The Human Rights Institute's Foundations of Humanitarianism Program proudly presents a screening of *Enemies of the People* and a discussion with director Rob Lemkin on **Thursday, November 18th** from 4:00-6:00 pm at the Dodd Konover Auditorium. Between 1975 and 1979, 1.7 million Cambodians died under the Khmer Rouge. The award-winning documentary film *Enemies of the People*, focuses its attention on former Khmer Rouge cadres and features interviews with the regime's second in command, Nuon Chea, currently facing trial for crimes against humanity and crimes of genocide. For more information about the film, please visit http://enemiesofthepeoplemovie.com/.

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Upcoming Events

- Responses to Natural Disasters. On Tuesday, November 30th from 12:45–2:00 pm in UConn's School of Social Work (Rm 221), UConn alum and social worker Katie Halliday will give a talk about how social workers can get involved with assisting people affected by disasters.
- Rainbow Center Lecture Series. The Rainbow Center's Out to Lunch Lecture Series continues with a presentation by Ann Russo entitled "Building Queer Communities: Healing, Intervention, Accountability, and Transformation" on Wednesday, December 1st from 12:00-1:30 pm at the Student Union (SU 403). In this presentation, Ann Russo will explore these concepts and share community-based collective strategies queer folks are developing and using for everyday intervention into oppression and violence grounded in queer communities. These strategies address healing, intervention, accountability and social transformation. For more information, please visit http:// www.rainbowcenter.uconn.edu/Programs/otl.html.
- Invisible Children Meeting. On Thursday, December 2nd from 7:00-8:00pm in SU 321, a meeting will be held to raise awareness and funds for the war-torn region of northern Uganda through the globally-recognized Invisible Children campaign. For more information, please contact invisiblechildrenuconn@gmail.com.
- On Sunday, December 5th, the UConn chapter of Habitat for Humanity will hold a meeting in CUE 122 from 8:30-9:00 pm. The UConn Habitat for Humanity collaborates with Windham Area Habitat to help build safe, affordable housing in partnership with families in need. Habitat volunteers donate their time to go on builds as well as raise awareness of their cause. In addition, they hold various fundraisers throughout the semester, including Hire-A-Habitator, 5-K runs, and bake sales. New members are welcome. For more information, please visit the group's Facebook page at http://www.facebook.com/#!/group.php?gid=11510253187977.



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Upcoming Events

Idealists United will be holding a screening of the documentary Burning the Future: Coal in America on Monday (today!), December 6th from 6:00-9:00 pm in CLAS 434. A discussion will follow the screening. For more information about this event, please visit <u>http://www.idealistsunited.net</u>.



- Film on AIDS. To commemorate World AIDS Day, the documentary A Closer Walk will be screened on Monday (today!), December 6th from 7:00-9:00 pm in Shippee Pit. The documentary, narrated by Will Smith and Glenn Close, discusses the worldwide effects of AIDS. The screening will be followed by a brief discussion. Attendees are requested to bring a school supply to donate in support of the Chikumbuso school, a school for AIDS orphans in Zambia. For more information about the film, please visit http://acloserwalk.org.
- Rainbow Center Lecture Series. The Rainbow Center's Out to Lunch Lecture Series concludes this semester with a presentation by Leif Mitchell entitled, "Gay, Greek, and Proud: Unlearning Anti-LGBT Bias in the Greek Community" on Wednesday, December 8th from 12:00–1:30 pm at the Student Union (SU 403). In this multi-media, fun-filled, interactive presentation, Leif will share his personal triumph of being OUT in a college fraternity. Leif will also discuss his breadth of knowledge of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender issues as they relate to students, the effects of homophobia and other forms of discrimination (sexism, racism, classism, ablism, lookism and anti-Semitism) on the Greek community and college campuses in general. Audience will be provided with some concrete ways to make their fraternity or sorority more inclusive of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people. For more information, please visit http://www.rainbowcenter.uconn.edu/Programs/otl.html.

- ◆ Bard Human Rights Study Abroad Opportunity: DEADLINE FEBRUARY 1st. The International Human Rights Exchange (IHRE), gives students the chance to study abroad in South Africa though the world's only full-semester, multidisciplinary program in human rights. By participating in this program, you not only have the opportunity to fulfill most of the HR minor course requirements, but also complete an internship that can count towards HR internship credits. The IHRE is coorganized by Bard College and the University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg and is accepting applications for the July-November semester. If interested, please submit your application to the Human Rights Institute (Dodd Center, Rm 159) by FEBRUARY 1st, 2011. Your application should include: 1) a letter of interest, 2) a copy of your unofficial transcript, 3) your resume, listing one academic reference, and 4) an academic writing sample. (Funding may be available and you do not have to be an Honors student to apply.) Please email Archana Krishnan with any questions.
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