

Trinity College Human Rights Program Events Spring 2008

FEBRUARY

Wednesday, February 27

Open Meeting of the Human Rights-in-Hartford Working Group

Join us in exploring how Trinity students might fuse their academic and advocacy skills to improve local human rights conditions. The conversation will focus on the criminal justice system in Connecticut.

Featured Guest: Lorenzo Jones, community organizer and Executive Director of A Better Way Foundation.

Alumni Lounge, 4:00 p.m. Refreshments served.

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Thursday, March 6

Fred Pfeil Memorial Human Rights Lecture by Mark Dow

“‘This Strictly Speaking Impossible Image’: Prisoners, Guards, Activists, and Voyeurs”

This writer and poet--author of *American Gulag: Inside U.S. Immigration Prisons and Machinery of Death: The Reality of America's Death Penalty Regime*—reflects on a basic dilemma of human rights, evident in literature and film. Co-sponsored by the English Department.

Terrace Room B, Mather Hall, 4:30-6:00 p.m. Reception immediately following.

Wednesday, March 26

Human Rights Advocacy Fellow-in-Residence

Alice Miller ~ “Human Rights: Tool and Site of Struggle?”

Drawing on over 20 years of policy and advocacy experience, scholar-activist Alice Miller (Berkeley Law School & Columbia University) explores issues at the intersection of gender, sexuality, health, and humanitarianism. Co-sponsored by the Women, Gender, and Sexuality Program.

Terrace Room B, Mather Hall, 4:30-6:00 p.m. Reception immediately following.

Saturday, March 29

Spring Graduate School/Career Workshop

Come meet with a successful Trinity alumna and learn about graduate school/career options in human rights.

Alumni Lounge, 12:00-3:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided—RSVP hrp@trincoll.edu

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Tuesday, April 8

Ishmael Beah, Author of *A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier*

The former child soldier and author of the critically acclaimed memoir—listed as a bestseller by the *New York Times* in 2007 and one of the year's top three non-fiction books by *Time* magazine—recounts his experience in Sierra Leone. Reception co-sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs.

Washington Room, 7:00 p.m. Reception and book-signing immediately following.

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Wednesday, February 20

Transnational Feminist Scholar Inderpal Grewal

Professor of Women's Studies, UC Irvine and author of *Transnational America: Feminisms, Diasporas, Neoliberalisms* speaks on "Transnational Analytics and Recent Shifts in Feminist and Queer Theory."

Organized by the Women, Gender, and Sexuality Program.

Alumni Lounge, 4:15 p.m.

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Saturday, March 8

Building Bridges IV: Women, Prison and the Arts

A symposium featuring panel discussions and an art exhibit by the women of York Correctional Institution.

For details about this event, visit www.judydworin.org

Mather Hall, 1:00 -5:00 p.m.

Time In

A performance by the Judy Dworin Performance Ensemble and Women of the Cross, introduced by best-selling novelist Wally Lamb, and joined by former York inmates and family members of incarcerated women at York.

Building Bridges is co-sponsored by Central CT State University's Institute for the Study of Crime and Justice; Trinity's departments of Theater and Dance; English; American Studies; Philosophy; Women, Gender and Sexuality; Sociology; Trinity's Women's Center; and the Judy Dworin Performance Project.

Goodwin Theatre, Austin Arts Center, 7:30 p.m.; book-signing by Wally Lamb, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 26

Loretta Ross ~ "Undivided: Reproductive Rights as Human Rights"

Reproductive rights activist speaks as part of Trinity's 2007-08 Black Women's Speaker Series—"Rage and Reason." Co-sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs; the Women's Center; and the departments of Sociology, History, American Studies, Public Policy & Law, Political Science, and Philosophy.

Rittenberg Lounge, 7:00 p.m. Joint reception for Alice Miller & Loretta Ross in Terrace Room C, 6:00 p.m.

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Wednesday, April 9

Film Series ~ Voces Inocentes [Innocent Voices]

Following up Ishmael Beah's visit, this moving film portrays a young boy caught in El Salvador's civil war. Part of the Latin American and Iberian Film Series.

McCook Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.

Please direct questions about these events to hrp@trincoll.edu.

To learn more about Human Rights at Trinity, visit <http://www.trincoll.edu/depts/humanrights>.