“40th Anniversary Event to Showcase Feminist Research and Creativity”

Eugene, OR – On Nov. 7-9, 2013, the Center for the Study of Women in Society, in collaboration with the Department of Women’s and Gender Studies and ASUO Women’s Center, presents a celebration of four decades of feminist research, activism, teaching, and creativity at University of Oregon. Held at the Erb Memorial Union, all events are free and open to the public (due to limited seating, ticketing is required).

On Thursday, Nov. 7, 3-6:30 p.m., the celebration kicks off with the premiere of Agents of Change, a documentary chronicling the development of the Center for the Study of Women in Society within the broader context of the women’s movement.

On Friday, Nov. 8, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., the “Women’s Stories, Women’s Lives” Symposium explores four decades of feminist research, teaching, and activism through the personal narratives, visual illustrations, and dialogue of more than twenty women activists, professionals, scholars, and community leaders.

On the evening of Friday, Nov. 8, 6:30 p.m., “A Conversation with Ursula K. Le Guin” sets the stage for feminist speculations of future worlds. A book signing with Le Guin and other guest authors will follow Friday’s keynote event.

On Saturday, Nov. 9, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., the celebration continues with the Sally Miller Gearhart “Worlds Beyond World” Symposium, featuring several major authors of feminist science fiction including Suzy McKee Charnas, L. Timmel Duchamp, Molly Gloss, Andrea Hairston, Vonda N. McIntyre, and Kate Wilhelm.

All events will be in UO’s Erb Memorial Union and will be close captioned. Tables for local women’s organizations, vendors, and books authored by guest speakers will also be available all day Friday and Saturday. Advance registration by Oct. 23 is required due to limited seating.

Look for exhibits of materials related to four decades of feminist research, teaching, activism, and creativity now on display in the Knight Library, Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art, and Eugene Airport.

Register at the Center for the Study of Women in Society website csws.uoregon.edu or call 541-346-5015 for further information.

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