

Women's History Celebration 2010
Reproductive Justice: The Struggle Isn't Over

Tuesday, March 16

Most Good, Least Harm: A Simple Principle for a Better World and Meaningful Life

Zoe Weil, cofounder and president of the Institute for Humane Education, will speak about the MOGO (most good) Principle, a philosophy and path that can create a better world and more joyful, healthy, and engaged lives.

Sponsored by Peace Studies and Sociology
2:00-3:30 PM, 100 Neville Hall

Wednesday, March 17

***Sexual and Reproductive Rights:
An International Perspective***

Presented by Sandra Caron, Professor, Family Relations, and a panel of international students. They will discuss cross-cultural perspectives on women's sexual and reproductive rights, including such issues as access to birth control, abortion, and sexuality education.

12:15-1:30 PM, Bangor Room, Memorial Union

Thursday, March 18

Keynote Address

Black Women and Reproductive Justice

Loretta Ross is the National Coordinator of the SisterSong Women of Color Reproductive Health Collective founded in 1997 to educate indigenous women, women of color, and policy makers about issues of reproductive justice.

3:30-5:30 PM, Bangor Room, Memorial Union

Saturday, March 20

Spruce Run Silent Auction and Dessert Buffet

This benefit event will also feature live music by the Spontaneous Jazz Ensemble. Tickets are \$15 per person.

For more information please call Spruce Run at 945-5102.

7:00-9:00 PM, Buchanan Alumni House

Monday, March 22

***Jane's Story: When Abortion Was Illegal
(film and discussion)***

This documentary film reveals the story of the Jane Collective, a secret, women-run group that took matters into their own hands when abortion was illegal and created a safe underground network in the Chicago area.

Former group member Peaches Bass will lead the discussion following the film.

4:30-6:00 PM, Women's Resource Center,
102 Fernald Hall

Co-sponsored by Student Women's Association

Tuesday, March 23
The Coat Hanger Project
(film and discussion)

This documentary aims to provide a radical, fierce, unflinchingly pro-choice perspective and to show the world that we can stand strong as advocates for women's reproductive freedom. Discussion after will be led by staff from the Mabel Wadsworth Women's Health Center.

12:15-1:30 PM, Bangor Room, Memorial Union

Wednesday, March 24
Women's Health Fair: It's About Time

A Women's Health Fair organized by the UMaine President's Council on Women, this event will include many tables for both campus and community agencies and groups related to women and health. In addition, there will be a panel discussion titled "Hot Topics in Women's Health" at 12:00 PM.

11:00-2:00 PM, Bumps, Totman, FFA, and Bangor Rooms, Memorial Union

37 Voices

This readers' theatre consists of 37 different anonymous stories from women's abortion experiences, including stories from Maine women. Created to celebrate the 37th anniversary of the landmark Roe v. Wade victory for women's reproductive rights, this collection emphasizes the importance of sharing women's stories to support individuals as well as the ongoing fight for choice.

3:30-5:30 PM, 117 D.P. Corbett Building

Thursday, March 25
Book Exhibit

New books and periodicals concerned with Women's Studies, feminism, and all aspects of women's lives will be on display. Publishers' catalogs and order forms for many of these items will also be available.

Light refreshments will be served.

12:00-4:00 PM, 101 Fernald Hall
(exhibit continues on Friday, March 26 from
10:00 AM to 3:00 PM)

Monday, March 29

War on the Family: Mothers in Prison and the Children They Leave Behind (film and discussion)

Through haunting first-person narratives, formerly incarcerated mothers weave tapestries of abuse suffered throughout their lives--sexual, physical and emotional. This powerful documentary paints a devastatingly clear picture of the far-reaching effects imprisonment has not only on the women who are locked away, but also on the children who have been left behind. Light refreshments will be served, but feel free to bring your lunch.

12:10-1:00 PM, 101 Fernald Hall

Wednesday, March 31

At Home in Maine, Part IV (film and discussion)

Nicolle Littrell, filmmaker and graduate student, will present a portion of her master's project which focuses on making visible the people, practices, philosophies and politics of Maine's contemporary homebirth and midwifery culture. Centered around the homebirth event itself, this documentary film seeks to represent a current and diverse portrait of this domain of reproductive choice.

12:30-2:00 PM, Hill Auditorium, 165 Barrows Hall

For updates, check our website.

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