

SIROW Welcomes New Director

SIROW is delighted to welcome Dr. Sally Stevens as its new Executive Director. Dr. Stevens is a distinguished researcher who has focused on issues of gender and substance abuse and their implications in terms of the sexual transmission of diseases.

Dr. Stevens began her education at Evergreen State College, majoring in education and psychology. Her early work addressed issues of women's identity as she explored methods of consciousness raising and outdoor adventure. She went on to earn her MA and PhD degrees from the University of Arizona in psychology and to take appointments as Clinical and Laboratory Scientist at Amity, a substance abuse treatment agency in

Dr. Stevens joined the University of Arizona in 1995 and has had an outstanding career leading funded research projects with awards from such federal agencies as the National Institute on Drug Abuse, the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention and the Administration for Children, Youth and Families. She has also been supported by community and private agencies, such as Pima County Health Department, Providence, and the Arizona Children's Association. Dr. Stevens is familiar with the diverse populations of the Southwest U.S. She has developed a wide range of interests including the gender-specific aspects of sexual abuse and trauma, violence, contraceptive

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Model for our newsletter ??

Spotlight on Regional Achievements

Add Thanks column to downs !!

The SIROW News Service is pleased to introduce "Spotlight on Regional Achievements" feature in our newsletter. The "Spotlight" section will be used to highlight a project from one of the 30 regional SIROW affiliates. Our goal is to give a program or project

for their accomplishments. We invite other affiliates an opportunity to learn more about the breadth of projects/programs within the region.

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practices and options, non-directive counseling for women who are unintentionally pregnant, mental health of caregivers, the quality of life of endometrial and ovarian cancer patients, and gender differences in sleep disorders. She has also participated in SIROW's educational projects in undergraduate education and with students at the Tucson Urban League schools.

A highly productive scholar, Dr. Stevens has published scores of articles in such journals as *Drugs and Society*, *Community Mental Health Journal*, *Journal of Applied Developmental Psychology*, and *The Journal of Child Maltreatment*. She has three co-edited books: *Adolescent Substance Abuse Treatment in the United States: Exemplary Models from a National Evaluation Study*; *Women and Substance Abuse: Gender Transparency*; and *Women, Drug Use and HIV Infection*. Her work has been

recognized by a variety of appointments, among them the National Institute of Health-National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIH-NIDA), Women's HIV Investigator Group and the NIH-NIDA Native American Work Group.

In carrying out her work, Dr. Stevens has managed three off-campus research sites in low-income areas of Tucson and Phoenix. As a Research Professor in SIROW, she has funded much of her own salary and supported a substantial group of researchers and outreach staff with grant funds. Dr. Stevens brings energy, enthusiasm, talent, administrative skills, and commitment to the leadership of SIROW.

In welcoming Sally, I would also like to extend my thanks to the many people who have supported SIROW and engaged in its work in the twenty-four years of my association with the Institute, most especially to SIROW's founding director, Myra Dinnerstein. In that time, we have been able to carry out

collaborative inter-institutional and interdisciplinary research and educational projects that have involved a substantial number of scholars and community agencies. We have addressed women's writing and art, their economic status, their history, health, and aging, the intersections of women's studies and international studies, and the encouragement of girls and young women in science and engineering. We have been supported by an array of federal agencies and private foundations, especially the Ford Foundation, and by local and regional foundations. It has been a privilege and pleasure to be able to bring together personal politics and professional endeavors. This year I am continuing with several projects as Research Professor in SIROW and have expanded my commitments as Professor of Geography and Regional Development.

Jan Monk



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We are currently accepting submissions for projects/programs that would like to be highlighted in the Spring edition of SIROW News. We encourage all affiliates to submit articles of no more than 350 words via email to Jonna

Lopez, SIROW Research Assistant, at jonna@email.arizona.edu. Please specify "SIROW News Spotlight" in the subject line. Submissions not published in the Spring 2005 edition of SIROW News will be considered for publication in the following

newsletter. Please note that space is limited, and we are not able to accommodate every story, but we hope that you will take this opportunity to help us spotlight your work.

Event Updates

Feminism & Classics IV Conference

"Feminism and Classics IV: Gender and Diversity in Place," held at the University of Arizona in May, 2004, covered topics exploring the construction of gender and women's lives in the ancient Mediterranean world. Co-sponsored by the Department of Classics, SIROW, and several other units, this was the fourth in an ongoing series of international conferences exploring the intersections of feminism and the discipline of Classical Studies. Attendees came from as far away as Great Britain, Israel, and China and included representatives of numerous disciplines—archaeology, art history,

Egyptology, Near Eastern and Jewish Studies, and Women's Studies, in addition to ancient history and classics. Faculty from the University of Arizona and Arizona State University formed the conference organizing committee, co-chaired by *Marilyn B. Skinner* and *Bella Vivante* of the Department of Classics.

March Held to Honor Women Killed in Juarez

Colleagues at the University of Texas, El Paso played a central role in organizing a public march to mobilize action to combat violence against women. The Coalition Against Violence, Co-

Chaired by Irasema Coronado, worked with many other groups and individuals, locally on both sides of the border, and elsewhere regionally, nationally and internationally to bring attention to the unsolved murders of 370 women in Ciudad Juárez. The March, held in February, 2004, attracted an estimated 5000-7000 people, making this event the largest ever cross-border march.

Additionally, the International Caravan for Justice and Amnesty International held events in Tucson to raise awareness of the murders in Juarez.

This event culminated with a pilgrimage from Tucson to the San Xavier Mission aimed at honoring all who have died along the U.S. Mexico Border.

Upcoming Events

National Women's Studies Association 26th Annual Conference: June 9-12, 2005

The 26th annual meeting of the National Women's Studies Association will be held in Orlando, Florida. The conference theme is Women and the Environment: Globalizing and Mobilizing and will feature keynote speaker Dr. Vandana Shiva. Her scholarly writings and organizational activism have brought into focus the adverse impact of international environmental policies, intellectual property rights and financing of

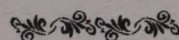
the World Bank, International Monetary Fund and General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade on third world women.

For conference registration and information on attendance visit: www.nwsaconference.org.

Women's Worlds 2005 to be held in Seoul, Korea

WW05, the 9th International Interdisciplinary Congress on Women will be held at Ewha Woman's University in Seoul, Korea from June 19-24, 2005. You can participate by submit-

ting a paper before December 31, 2004. For more information visit www.ww05.org.



Re-Entry Solutions Conference Coming to Tucson in Spring

The Inside Out Project will be holding a one-day conference to discuss alternatives to incarceration and to address issues affecting women reentering the community after incarceration. The conference will be held in April. For information please contact *Corey Knox* at 520-626-8968.

Announcements

Promoting Health in Sonora

Colleagues at El Colegio de Sonora are collaborating with community agencies to promote understanding of women's health, with an emphasis on public policies. To this end, organizers have planned *Diver/Ciudad: 3rd Festival de la Diversidad Amorosa y Sexual*, a workshop on assistance and prevention of partner violence sponsored by the Red Sonorense por los Derechos Sexuales y Reproductivos. Additionally, organizers are working on the development of a network of community representatives, academics, and government agencies through *Grupos Contra Violencia* and plan to be involved in the *Diplomado de Profesionalización de las Organizaciones de la Sociedad Civil*. The *Diplomado* is focused on educating members of community organizations in human rights issues, planning, networking, program design and evaluation. *Elsa Cornejo*, Associate Director of the

Transborder Consortium on Gender and Health at COLSON is participating in each of these programs.

GRACE Project Wins Award

The GRACE (Generating Respect for All in a Climate of Academic Excellence) Project of the UA College of Medicine has one the Progress in Equity Award from the Legal Advocacy Fund of the American Association of University Women. The GRACE project was developed to document potential disparities between male and female faculty in rank and track assignment, salaries and leadership positions, and to investigate potential causes of these disparities, with the ultimate goal of implementing solutions to documented barriers.

The project found that women in the College of Medicine were paid approximately \$13,000 less than comparable males, after adjusting for all known predictors of salary, including both clinical and research productivity.

The project has developed a

sustainable process by which gender disparities in rank, salary and leadership can be identified on an annual basis and rectified. Five salaries were adjusted in the first year, for an average change of more than \$25,000.

For more information visit: <http://www.medicine.arizona.edu/grace.html> or contact *Dr. Anne Wright*: awright@arc.arizona.edu.

ASU Welcomes New Director

Arizona State University welcomes *Mary Margaret Fonow*, PhD as the new head of the Women's Studies Department. Dr. Fonow's areas of teaching and research are women and work in the global economy, law, policy, social movements, and feminist methodology. Dr. Fonow is the author of *Union Women: Forging Feminism in the United Steelworkers of America* and with Judith A. Cook of *Beyond Methodology: Feminist Scholarship as Lived Research*.

Feature: Engaging In Collaborative Research and Education

SIROW has initiated work on two new collaborative projects. With four years of support from the Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education, students and faculty from the Uni-

versity of Arizona will have the opportunity to study and teach with colleagues from the University of Cincinnati (U.S.), York University (Canada), Mt. St. Vincent University (Canada), El

Colegio de la Frontera Norte (Mexico) and Universidad de las Americas Puebla (Mexico).

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The project will focus on women's human rights, citizenships, and identities. It will include international exchange study options for students during the academic year and summer institutes bringing together students and faculty from the six institutions.

The theme recognizes that women's increased cross-border migration, as both workers and family members, across the North American continent (as well as globally) has been accompanied by women's organizing around such issues as wages and working conditions, health care, social services, environmental conditions,

cultural norms, and legal status. *Anne Sisson Runyan* at the University of Cincinnati took the lead in developing the collaboration. *Janice Monk* is Project Director for the project's first year. *Kari McBride* will represent the University of Arizona at the project's first organizational meeting.

The second collaboration is a five university effort led by the Institute for Research on Women at Rutgers University with support from the Ford Foundation. Reaffirming Action: Designs for Diversity in Higher Education aims to explore the leadership roles of faculty in promoting and sustaining gender and ethnic diversity in colleges and universities. In addi-

tion to Rutgers and the University of Arizona, other participating teams include: Miami University; University of California, Davis; and the University of California, Santa Barbara. The Arizona project, prepared by *Lindy Brigham* (Plant Pathology), *Naomi Miller* (English), *Barbara Mills* (Anthropology), and *Janice Monk* (SIROW), is exploring perceptions of the efficacy of the large-scale Millennium Project. The Millennium Project is an effort initiated by faculty, which in 2001 issued a comprehensive report and agenda for change in the University. Additional funding support at the University of Arizona is provided by the Office of the Provost.

Publications

Women Writing Resistance: Essays on Latin America and the Caribbean

Jennifer Browdy De Hernandez, ed. Preface by *Elizabeth Martinez*. (Cambridge: South End Press)

Eighteen women are featured in this powerful anthology on art, feminism, and activism in Latin America and the Caribbean. *Women Writing Resistance* unearths an emerging tradition of Latin American and Caribbean women writers who, with increasing urgency, are writing in the service of social justice and against the entrenched patriarchal, imperialistic, racist, and ex-

plorative regimes that have dominated their countries for centuries.

Asian American Women: The Frontiers Reader

Linda Trinh Von and *Marian Sciachitano*, eds., with *Susan H. Armitage*, *Patricia Hart* and *Karen Weathermon*. (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press)

The essays in this collection reveal the experiences and struggles of Asian American women within a global political, economic, cultural, and historical context. The collection represents the rich diversity of Asian American women's lives in hope of creating a new transnational

space of critical dialogue, strategic resistance, and alliance building.

Red Earth: Poems of New Mexico

Alice Corbin (1881-1949). *Lois Rudnick* and *Ellen Zieselman*, eds. (Santa Fe: Museum of New Mexico Press)

This compilation includes original imagist poems and traditional folk songs; poems written in the style of Indian songs, Hispanic ballads, along with rhymed and free verse. This work is a reflection of a diversity of voices, forms and styles.

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**Indigenizing the Academy:
Transforming Scholarship and
Empowering Communities**

Devon Abbot Mihesuah and Angela Cavender Wilson, eds.
(Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press)

This text covers an extensive array of vital issues, including how activism shapes the careers of Native academics, the response of academia and Native scholars to current issues and needs in Indian Country, along with the problems of racism, territoriality, and ethnic fraud in academic hiring. Innovative approaches are offered for incorporating Indigenous values and perspectives into the research methodologies and interpretive theories of scholarly disciplines.

On the Streets and In the State House: American Indian and Hispanic Women and Environmental Policymaking in New Mexico

Diane-Michele Prindeville (New Mexico State University, Las Cruces)

Prindeville explores the politics of American Indian and Hispanic women leaders in New Mexico's environmental policymaking arena. This publication is a culmination of a study of 50 women who were political activists in grassroots organizations or as public officials, elected or appointed. Personal interviews

were employed to gather data on their political socialization, their leadership trajectories and more.

**Isabella Greenway:
An Enterprising Woman**

Kristie Miller
(Tucson: University of Arizona Press)

Miller tells the story of Isabella Greenway, founder of a furniture factory, an airline company, a resort hotel and the world-famous Arizona Inn. Greenway also had an impact on the nation's political life. She was Arizona's sole female member of the US House of Representatives during the New Deal, when her life-long friends Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt were in the White House. She broke ground for modern women in Arizona politics, from Sandra Day O'Connor to Janet Napolitano.
www.uapress.arizona.edu

What Does it Mean to Be Chicana/o in a Country That No Longer Has an Ethnic Majority?

Aida Hurtado and Patricia Curin (Tucson: University of Arizona Press)

This book addresses the development of individual and social identities against the background of this demographic change. If there is no longer an ethnic majority, of what significance is ethnicity? The authors focus on Chicanas and Chicanos as they determine who they are and

where they fit into new cultural spheres. While contemporary in focus, the book examines the lingering and very powerful effects of colonization in the Southwest.
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Lost and Found: My Life in a Group Marriage Commune

Margaret Hollenbach
(Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press)

In 1970, Margaret Hollenbach, an idealistic twenty-five-year-old graduate school drop-out, changed her name and gave up her possessions to join a commune known as The Family, located in Taos, New Mexico. This unsparing memoir vividly recalls her experience of this environment.

www.umpress.com

Violations: Stories of Love by Latin American Women

Psiche Hughes, ed. Foreword by *Brian Matthews* (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press)

This volume announces a dramatic change, a transformation of the literature of love in Latin America and of the role—even the nature—of women in this most "feminine" literary tradition. These stories, by exciting new writers as well as by the renowned, are "violations" of the most exhilarating sort.

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Films & Videos

The Passion of Maria Elena.
Mercedes Moncada Rodriguez.

This award-winning documentary chronicles the story of a

mother from Chihuahua, Mexico who faces racism, corruption and the traditional values of her community in order to find justice from the death of her 3 year old son. A sociological study documenting clashes of opposing world views while offering re-

spect and understanding for the beliefs of Raramuri people. The company catalog also contains many other offerings in the area of Women's Studies and transnational feminism. The company web site is www.frif.com.

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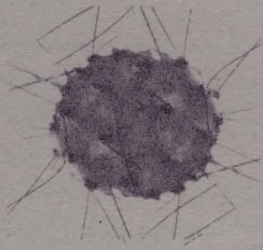
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The **Southwest Institute for Research on Women (SIROW)**, established in 1979, is a regional research and resource center within the Women's Studies Department at the University of Arizona. SIROW's region includes Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Texas, Utah, Wyoming, and the Northwestern Mexico border.

SIROW Goals

- To develop collaborative research of interest to scholars in the Southwest and focusing on southwestern problems or populations.
- To identify, coordinate, and disseminate research on women in the region.
- To link researchers with community organizations and policy-makers.
- To support undergraduate and K-12 education about and for women.

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