September Newsletter

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Commissioning Truths:
30 Years After Nunca Mas

Meet the New DukeImmerse Students
Rights and Identities in the Americas

The fall 2014 DukeImmerse: Rights & Identities in the Americas: Human Rights, Indigenous Peoples and Contemporary Challenges is underway. Follow their adventures around NC and in Chile on the DukeImmerse blog and twitter @DukeImmerse in LA. Find out more about each student and why they chose to participate in the program.

Pauli Murray Project Exhibit
Pauli Murray: Imp, Crusader, Dude, Priest

"The Argentine Experience and the Emergence of the Universal Right to Truth."

Find out more

The 99 Percent: Poverty, Justice, and Human Rights
Robert Walker, “Do We Accept the Right to be Extremely Poor? Results from an Empirical Enquiry”

September 30
6:00 PM

View event

The Rights! Camera! Action! Film Series
Presents:
Waste Land
October 30
7:00PM
Reception at 6:30PM

Artist Vik Muniz collaborates with Brazilian scavengers in one of the world’s largest garbage dumps to create portraits of them made entirely of trash, revealing both the dignity and despair of their lives.

The exhibit presents the brilliant life of writer, civil rights lawyer, feminist, poet and priest Pauli Murray and explores how she challenged categories of gender, race, class and sexuality. The exhibit was developed by Barbara Lau, director of the Pauli Murray Project. It is part of the Levine Museum's LGBTQ Perspectives on Equality exhibits and runs until January 25, 2015.

Sponsored by the Pauli Murray Project, the Levine Museum of the New South with support from the Mary Duke Biddle Foundation.

Human Rights Archive Update
The Center for Justice and Accountability

The Center for Justice & Accountability (CJA) will donate its historical records to the Human Rights Archive at the David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library at Duke University. Founded in 1998, CJA is an international human rights organization dedicated to fighting genocide, crimes against humanity, extrajudicial killing and torture. CJA uses litigation to hold perpetrators individually accountable for human rights abuses, develop human rights law, and advance the rule of law in countries transitioning from periods of abuse. Read more.

Kathryn Libal Completes RightsConnect
Seventh and final speaker in the series

Dr. Libal was the final speaker in the RightsConnect series which asked academics and practitioners to explore the role of human rights education at the university level. Learn more about RightsConnect and the speakers.

Kathryn Libal is the Professor of Social Work and Director of the Human Rights Institute at the University of Connecticut. She addressed how to bring human rights “home” into the classroom with practical examples that challenge students to see rights issues in their own communities. Read more about her approach.

Other speakers in the series included:

James Dawes, Chair and Professor of English at Macalester College and founder and director of the Program in Human Rights and Humanitarianism.
View event

Leslie Brown, Associate Professor of History at Williams College focusing on the Civil Rights Movement.

John Prendergast, human rights activist and co-founder of the Enough Project.

Featured Video: James Andrews
President of the North Carolina Chapter of the AFL-CIO

Social Activism in North Carolina: James Andrews

Watch all eight interviews.

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