

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Equity and Diversity Programs at the Women's Center and the Office of Education and Community Outreach (OECCO), School of the Arts are proud to announce the first *Diversity Week* at Montclair State University which will take place November 12 through November 19, 2005. This series, part of MSU's ongoing commitment to increase diversity initiatives for the community, will include art exhibitions, photo exhibits, film screenings, panel discussions, and multicultural music and dance performances. The week will end with the National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ) which will focus on diversity issues in Higher Education. Five NJ university presidents, including Montclair State University's President Susan A. Cole, are featured panelists. Through the celebration of *Diversity Week*, Equity and Diversity Programs and the School of the Arts seek to instill a university and community-wide appreciation and tolerance for diverse perspectives while uniting students, faculty, staff, alumni, and surrounding community members in an inclusive setting.

Events will be held at various locations throughout the campus and are free and open to the general public unless otherwise noted. For more information on *Diversity Week* at MSU please visit www.montclair.edu/womenscenter or call Marie Sparks at 973.655.7070.

DIVERSITY WEEK 2005

A collaboration of Equity and Diversity Programs at the Women's Center, the School of the Arts' Office of Education and Community Outreach and Art Galleries, President's Commission on Affirmative Action, Alumni Relations, Office of the Dean of Students, HRLDA, Unified Asian American Student Organization (UAASO) and the Latin American Student Organization (LASO).

November 12 through November 19

Art Expo in honor of Diversity Week

BOMBA! A Celebration of Sight and Sound

Opening Reception: Saturday, November 12, 6:30pm

(RSVP required; Please call 973.655.7070)

A celebration featuring Afro-Caribbean works by Antonio Broccoli Porto, costume designs by fashion designer Aileen González Martí and the soulful rhythms of Segunda Quimbamba; an explosion of color, music and dance!

MFA Gallery, Finley Hall South



BAILE DE LOIZA ALDEA, Antonio Broccoli Porto



VEJIGANTES DE LOIZA, Antonio Broccoli Porto

2nd Annual Art Market

The Art Market Exhibition features the artwork of 47 artists from such diverse locales as the Philippines, Puerto Rico, Hungary, and India.

11/1 through 11/26

University Art Gallery, Life Hall

Monday, 11/14

And Justice for All? The Supreme Court and LGBT Americans

Panel and open discussion examining civil rights issues for LGBT Americans including marriage, parenting, and immigration.

11:30am, Student Center Room 419

Tuesday, 11/15

The Me-Mask Project

An array of cultural perspectives is depicted in this display of original masks created by the 4th grade students from Bradford School, The University Magnet in Montclair.

11/15 through 12/5

Life Hall Lobby

“I AM Latino, but who am I?”

Latinos and Identity—Panel and Open Discussion

3:30pm, Student Center Café C

Wednesday, 11/16

The Nu American

Film screening and panel discussion examining the changing “face” of America with filmmaker Morgan Goldin

3pm, Brantl, Dickson Hall

Native American Ritual: Medicine Wheels

with Madeline Thompson of the M.S.U. Women’s Center

10am, Outdoor—Amphitheatre

Thursday, 11/17

Conversations on Affirmative Action

Panel discussion examining and dispelling myths surrounding Affirmative Action.

Facilitated by student representatives of the President’s Commission on Affirmative Action.

12:30pm, Student Center 417

Friday, 11/18

National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ)

“Diversity Issues in Higher Education”

Keynote speaker: Edgar F. Beckham: Senior Fellow, Association of American Colleges and Universities. Panelists include Dr. Susan A. Cole, President, Montclair State University; Paul G. Gaffney II, President, Monmouth University; Dr. Mildred García, President, Berkeley College; Dr. John J. Petillo, President, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey; and Dr. A. Zachary Yamba, President, Essex County College.

8:30am-3:30pm, Student Center Ballrooms

Registration required, call 973.655.5114