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### Multicultural Issues Topic of Weglyn Events at Cal Poly Pomona

POMONA, Calif. — October 24, 2008 — Cal Poly Pomona will host a variety of events this fall to spark discussions and challenge opinions on multiculturalism, including gender, ethnicity, sexuality, race and class. These events are sponsored by the university's Michi Nishiura and Walter Weglyn Endowed Chair of Multicultural Studies.

Events include a one-person play about diversity in the United States, an artist Q&A to discuss the "Fearless" photography exhibit on lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender student athletes, and a panel discussion about the upcoming November elections.

The scheduled events include:

#### **Critical Issues Facing Election 2008**

Oct. 30, 1 to 3 p.m. - Panelists will discuss the roles of race, multiracial identity and the impact of Proposition 8 on the November election. The discussion will be led by Dr. Faye Wachs, associate professor in the Psychology and Sociology Department. The panel includes UCSB Professor of Sociology Dr. Reginald Daniel and National Center for Lesbian Rights Executive Director Kate Kendell. The event will be held in Ursa Major B.

#### **Divided We Fall**

Nov. 4, 1 to 3 p.m. -- This fall, 70 communities across the country are holding dialogues about the film *Divided We Fall* in honor of this year's Sept. 11 anniversary. The *Divided We Fall* campaign is a people-fueled national movement to create deep community dialogue about racism, religion and healing in the

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aftermath of Sept. 11. The discussion will be led by Dr. Jack Fong, assistant professor in the Psychology and Sociology Department, in Ursa Major AB.

### **Faces of America**

Nov. 6, 1 to 3 p.m. -- Faces of America, a one-person play about multiculturalism, tells the story of seven Americans who face issues of race, ethnicity, gender and sexuality on a daily basis. The play will be held in Ursa Major AB. This event is co-sponsored with the Multicultural Council and the Office of Student Life.

Cal Poly Pomona is located at 3801 W. Temple Ave. in Pomona. Parking permits can be obtained for \$5 at the Visitor Information Booth along Kellogg Drive. For more information, call Dr. Mary Yu Danico, interim director of the Weglyn Endowed Chair, at (909) 869-3115, or visit [www.class.csupomona.edu/weglyn/events.html](http://www.class.csupomona.edu/weglyn/events.html).

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