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Tuesday, January 28, 2014

Cerro Coso Community College invites the community to an evening with educator, filmmaker, speaker, social justice activist, and healer Dr. Shakti Butler and her work "Cracking the Codes: The System of Racial Inequity" on Thursday, February 6, 2014 at 7 p.m. in the College Lecture Center.

Dr. Butler is a multiracial African-American woman (African, Arawak Indian, and Russian-Jewish) whose work as a creative and visionary bridge builder has challenged and inspired learning for over two decades.

She is the producer and director of the groundbreaking documentaries, "The Way Home," "Light in the Shadows," and "Mirrors of Privilege: Making Whiteness Visible." Her newest film, "Cracking the Codes: The System of Racial Inequity" examines the causes and consequences of systemic inequity in the United States and features some two dozen racial justice leaders from across the country.

In 1994, as Executive Director of World Trust Educational Services, Dr. Butler designed and launched HEART-TO-HEART CONVERSATIONS, a national program of public dialogue designed to help people to learn together and share deep feelings about race and culture. This program has gained recognition and has been reviewed by both local and national television.

A warm and compassionate person, Dr. Butler uses her ability to listen deeply while asking critical questions that support self-directed learning in others. Her speaking and teaching styles enrich people's ability to move toward expanded capacities for building community. Her videos and conversation programs stimulate the kind of new questions, which enhance any efforts toward deep learning and change.

Dr. Butler received her doctorate from the California Institute of Integral Studies in the School of Transformative Learning and Change. She holds an MA in Guidance and Counseling from Bank Street College of New York and graduated magna cum laude from City College of New York.

A screening of Dr. Butler's film Cracking the Codes will be held on Wednesday, February 5, 2014 from 6 – 7:30 p.m. followed by the lecture on Thursday, February 6, 2014 from 7 to 9 p.m. Both activities will be held in the College Lecture Center.

For more information contact the Student Activities Office at the College at 760-384-6353.

This event is funded by the Cerro Coso Student Development fund and is open to the public.

For further information, please contact Natalie Dorrell, Public Information (760) 384-6260

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Deanna Ing Campbell
Director - Eastern Sierra College Center
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- 09/30/14 **L&L: Owens Valley Career Development Center, Cultural Awareness V2.0**, Following a thought-provoking presentation last semester, OVDC is back! OVDC will address **cultural** awareness and our local communities: questions, concerns, and strategies.
- 10/02/14 **Latino/a Student & Employer Reception**, The Eastern Sierra College Center, Cerro Coso Community College, Mammoth Campus is hosting an **Employer / Leadership Panel and Reception** for Cerro Coso's Latino/a students to learn about networking and career opportunities in Mammoth Lakes for skilled and educated individuals who are bilingual in Spanish and English. The panel will be an opportunity for employers to share their criteria for employees and for Latino/a leaders to share with students some keys to success. The reception will be an opportunity for students to practice their networking skills and for employers to identify promising future employees.
- 01/15/15 **Native American Student Welcome Reception**, The Owens Valley Career Development Center and Cerro Coso Community College are hosting a **Welcome Night** for Cerro Coso's Native American students to learn about the importance of education, explore career opportunities in Bishop and understand the strategies and skills required to be successful. The panel will be an opportunity for leaders to share their view of why education is so important for Native Americans, employers to share their tips for successful careers and students to share some keys to educational success. The reception will be an opportunity for students to practice their networking skills and for employers to identify promising future employees.
- 02/24/15 **L&L: Access Programs**, Paula Suarez
- 02/10/15 **L&L: DACA/DAPA**, Leigh Duggan. Please join Leigh Duggan for an enlightening workshop on the federal Deferred Action on Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and Deferred Action for Parents of Americans (DAPA) and how these actions may affect our students.
- 03/10/15 **L&L: Student Mental Health**, Robin Roberts, Mono County Behavioral Health Director. Learn how to navigate stress, identify distress and figure out what to do when you think someone might benefit from professional help.
- 03/24/15 **L&L: Understanding our Latino Students**, Hector Gonzalez, Mono County Superior Court CEO and former Director of the Washington State Commission on Hispanic Affairs. Learn about the great diversity among Latino students in the United States, and how we can support Latino students here at Cerro Coso Community College.
- 03/31/15 **L&L: Cracking the Codes**, Facilitated by Deanna Campbell. Please join Deanna Campbell for this special 2-hour presentation on Shakti Butler's renowned film, which asks America to talk about the causes and consequences of systemic inequity. Because this session is designed for dialogue, no CCCConfer option will be available. If you cannot commit to the entire two hours, please feel free to come for the first half of the session.

04/08/15 **Latino Family College Night**, Deanna Campbell & ICSOS. All Latino families are welcome to learn about the value and cost of higher education, the difference between community colleges and four-year institutions, financial aid and scholarship opportunities, programs offered at ESCC and how to get started!

04/22/15 **OVDC Office Hours Talk: Historical Trauma and the Owens Valley “Columbus”**, Presented by Gerald Howard, Teacher of History and Chairperson of the Bishop Paiute Tribe; learn Owens Valley history as you never saw it before



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Thursday, February 6, 2014

Cerro Coso Community College Celebrates Black History Month February 1 - 28, 2014

Swing Night

February 20, 2014

Cerro Coso Community College Student Center

5:30-6:30pm Talk/Demonstration on the Origins of Swing Dance

6:30-7:00pm Free Dance Lesson

7:00-9:00pm Open Dance with Special Guests "The Groove Ballroom"



The event is free and open to the public!

For further information, please contact Natalie Dorrell, Public Information (760) 384-6260

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College to Honor Veterans with Month Long Tributes and Celebrations

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Tuesday, November 4, 2014

Cerro Coso Community College will celebrate veterans during the month of November with activities dedicated to honoring those who served our country. A variety of activities, films, and exhibits are planned for the Ridgecrest campus and local community to celebrate veterans and service members.



To kick off Veterans month, Cerro Coso hosted a community screening of the movie *The Hurt Locker* followed by a question and answer session. In the 2008 American war film during the Iraq War, a Sergeant recently assigned to an army bomb squad is put at odds with his squad mates due to his maverick way of handling his work.

An educational veteran book exhibit is on display in the College Library and veterans, students, and faculty are encouraged to display veteran pictures and share stories. Poster boards will be on display in the College and Ridgecrest Library's to encourage veterans, families, and friends to share their responses to specific prompts.

On Wednesday, November 19th the college will host a free community screening in the College Student Center at 6:30 p.m. of *Ground Operations*, a documentary and social campaign that champions the growing network of combat veterans who are transitioning into careers as sustainable farmers, ranchers, and artisan food producers. Refreshments will be provided.

Cerro Coso is collaborating with the local library and community, offering programs and projects that will spark dialogue about the many important issues returning vets face.

Cerro Coso pays tribute to all American veterans who served our country honorably during war or peacetime. Funding provided by the Cerro Coso Community College Foundation.

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