

# 25th Anniversary Sexuality Week

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STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK**



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University Counseling Center*

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## KEYNOTE PRESENTATION



***“Talk Sex with Sue”***  
*Presented by*  
***Sex Expert and TV Personality***  
***Sue Johanson***  
***with Dr. Marty Klein***  
***Nationally-Acclaimed Author***  
**Tuesday, February 12 at 8:00pm**  
**Campus Center Ballroom**  
**University at Albany, SUNY**  
*Reception to follow*

## ABOUT SUE JOHANSON, R.N.

Speaking to approximately 30,000 students a year, registered nurse and educator Sue Johanson is, hands down, the most popular sex educator in Canada. Sponsored in 2005-2006 by *Janssen-Ortho and GlaxoSmithKline*, she has presented at Canadian campuses across the country and, more recently, has been broadening the scope of her health messages by speaking to colleges and universities in the United States.

In 1970, Ms. Johanson, also known as “the Sex Lady”, opened the first birth control clinic in a North American high school. Shortly thereafter, she began teaching sex education to high school students. Canada has known Ms. Johanson as the host of *W*'s number 1 rated “*Sunday Night Sex Show*” since the mid 1990s. In the fall of 2002, she became the hostess of *Oxygen*'s “*Talk Sex With Sue*” in the USA. The popularity of her show in the United States has resulted in Ms. Johanson's appearing on talk shows including *The Late Show with David Letterman*, *The Ellen DeGeneres Show*, *Late Night with Conan O'Brien*, and CBS's *The Early Show*. She has also been featured in Oprah's “O” Magazine.

Ms. Johanson began her media career on Toronto's Q107 radio with her call-in advice show. In addition, she has been a writer and columnist in such papers as Edmonton Sun and the Toronto Star. She is the author of three books: Talk Sex, Sex is Perfectly Natural, But Not Naturally Perfect, and Sex, Sex and More Sex.

Ms. Johanson is the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the following:

- ❖ *Recipient of the prestigious Order of Canada*
  - ❖ *Eight-time recipient of the Canadian Organization of Campus Activities Speaker of the Year Award*
  - ❖ *Recipient of the 2004 Clarion Award for Excellence in Communications*
  - ❖ *Honored with the 1990 Excellence in Education Award by OISE in 1990*
  - ❖ *Recipient of a 2001 Galaxy Award for the Sunday Night Sex Show*
  - ❖ *Inducted into the COCA Hall of Fame.*
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## ABOUT DR. MARTY KLEIN

Dr. Marty Klein has been a Licensed Marriage & Family Counselor and Sex Therapist for 26 years. He has aimed his entire career toward a single set of goals: telling the truth about sexuality, helping people feel sexually adequate and powerful, and supporting the healthy sexual expression and exploration of women and men. Dr. Klein pursues his goal of a sexually enlightened world through therapy, lectures, writing, lobbying, and media work. He has written over 100 articles for publications such as Playboy, New Woman, and Parents, as well as The Journal of Sex Research, San Francisco Medicine, The Journal of Homosexuality, and Contemporary Sexuality. A former contributing editor to The New Physician, American Baby, Modern Bride, and Men's Guide to Fashion, he is quoted in dozens of other publications every year. Dr. Klein is the author of five books, including: Ask Me Anything: Dr. Klein Answers the Sex Questions You'd Love To Ask; Beyond Orgasm: Dare to be Honest About the Sex You Really Want; Sexual Intelligence: Politics, Culture, the Media, and Sex; Let Me Count the Ways: Great Sex Beyond Intercourse; and America's War On Sex: The Attack on Law, Lust, and Liberty. Acclaimed by everyone from USA Today to The California Therapist to the Playboy Advisor, his books have been published in a total of nine languages. Dr. Klein also has chapters in many professional books, such as The Handbook of Clinical Child Psychology and Treating Sexual Disorders. He has published his award-winning blog, Sexual Intelligence, for eight consecutive years. It goes to 5,000 subscribers each month.

A popular guest on the electronic media, Dr. Klein has been featured on radio in over 100 cities. His TV credits include over a dozen national talk shows. His wit and expertise make him a frequently-quoted expert appearing in Newsweek, USA Today, and even Ann Landers. Known and respected by his colleagues, Dr. Klein has been elected a national board member of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality. Recently honored by the California Association of Marriage & Family Therapists, his accomplishments are also recognized abroad: he has trained professionals in countries including Russia, Israel, Morocco, Latvia, Austria, Turkey, and Croatia. As a clinician, Dr. Klein works each week with couples and individuals who have a variety of sexual and non-sexual difficulties—some 30,000 sessions since 1980. He also provides consultations to other therapists and supervises their cases. He has been an expert witness or consultant for many important American criminal cases involving sexuality, family law, and censorship, including precedent-setting First Amendment cases. In all his work, he skillfully weaves together insights from sociology, psychology, law, linguistics, technology, and political science. Dr. Klein lives in Palo Alto, California with his wife, cactus garden, and enormous collection of rock 'n' roll albums. He plays chamber music in a quartet called Behind the Tymes.

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## 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY SEXUALITY WEEK FEATURED EXHIBITS

### ❖ CELEBRATING 25 YEARS: THE HISTORY OF SEXUALITY WEEK AT UALBANY

Visit the lobby of the University Library to see historical items related to Sexuality Week, such as program brochures, books, articles, and media pieces from the past twenty-five years and other documents that mark the course of this very important event on the University at Albany campus.

### ❖ BOOKSTORE EXHIBIT: FACULTY AUTHORS OF SEXUALITY-RELATED BOOKS

Visit the University Bookstore to view and purchase books on sexuality-related topics written and signed by members of our own University at Albany faculty. In addition, books that will be discussed during this year's Sexuality Week workshops will be available for purchase.

### ❖ SEXUALITY EXHIBITS BY PROJECT SHAPE: SEXUAL HEALTH AND PEER EDUCATION

In its role as a peer education program focused on issues of sexual health, Project SHAPE members will host a series of exhibits in the Campus Center lobby, from 10:00am to 3:00pm on February 11-14. The exhibits will include information as well as handouts and brochures on topics such as contraception, sexually transmitted diseases, HIV/AIDS, and breast and testicular cancer.

### ❖ THESE HANDS DON'T HURT: UNITING TO END SEXUAL ASSAULT AND VIOLENCE

At an exhibit table in the Campus Center lobby, members of the Middle Earth Peer Assistance Program and the Sexual Assault Resource Center invite students, faculty and staff to place their handprints and signatures on poster board to express their commitment to never raise a hand in the name of sexual assault or other forms of violence.

# HIGHLIGHTS OF SEXUALITY-RELATED BOOKS BY UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY FACULTY AUTHORS

## Dr. Janell Hobson, Department of Women's Studies

- ❖ Venus in the Dark: Blackness and Beauty in Popular Culture. Routledge Press (2005)

## Dr. Steven Seidman, Department of Sociology

- ❖ Handbook of Sexualities. (With Nancy Fischer and Chet Meeks). Routledge Press. (2006)
- ❖ The Social Construction of Sexuality. W. W. Norton & Company, Incorporated (2003)
- ❖ Beyond the Closet: The Transformation of Gay and Lesbian Life. Routledge Press (2002, 2003)
- ❖ Handbook of Lesbian and Gay Studies. (With Diane Richardson). Sage Publications, Incorporated. (2002)
- ❖ The Unfinished Revolution: Social Movement Theory and the Gay and Lesbian Movement. (With Stephen M. Engel and Jeffrey C. Alexander). Cambridge University Press. (2001)
- ❖ Difference Troubles: Queering Social Theory and Sexual Politics. (With Jeffrey C. Alexander). Cambridge University Press. (1997)

## Dr. Mary Valentis, Department of English

- ❖ Brave New You: Twelve Dynamic Strategies for Saying What You Want and Being Who You Are. New Harbinger Publications (2001)
- ❖ Romantic Intelligence: How to Be as Smart in Love as You Are in Life. New Harbinger Publications. (2003)

# BOOKS DISCUSSED IN WORKSHOPS AND PROGRAMS

## Dr. Marty Klein, Keynote Presenter

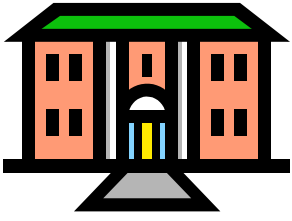
- ❖ America's War on Sex: The Attack on Law, Lust and Liberty. Greenwood Publishing Group, Incorporated (2006)
- ❖ Beyond Orgasm: Dare to Be Honest about the Sex You Really Want. Ten Speed Press (2004)
- ❖ Your Sexual Secrets: When to Keep Them, When and How to Tell. CA Sex Education Associates (1988)

## Sue Johanson, Keynote Presenter

- ❖ Sex, Sex, and More Sex. HarperCollins Publishers (2005)

## Other Books Discussed in Sexuality Week Workshops

- ❖ He's Just Not That into You: The No-Excuses Truth to Understanding Guys. Greg Behrendt and Liz Tuccillo. Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing. (2006)



# Residential Life

## Brings Sexuality Week Home

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3**

**DUTCH QUAD**

**8:00PM**

**Dutch Quad Penthouse**

**“LOVELINE”: SEX TALK AT UALBANY**

Have your most intimate and pressing questions about sexuality answered by a panel of experts and students! Honest answers to the questions asked by the audience will be provided, often in a humorous and interactive manner. Have fun and learn a great deal in this workshop!

Presenters: **Carol Stenger, M.Ed., M.A.**, Coordinator for Health Promotion, Project SHAPE Director  
**Members, Project SHAPE: Sexual Health and Peer Education**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4**

**STATE QUAD**

**8:00PM**

**State Quad Penthouse**

**SEXUAL JEOPARDY!**

Come and participate or be an audience member in a college version of a popular TV game show. Test your knowledge in categories such as safer sex, AIDS and other sexually transmitted infections, and other topics related to sexuality.

Presenters: **Carol Stenger, M.Ed., M.A.**, Coordinator for Health Promotion, Project SHAPE Director  
**Members, Project SHAPE: Sexual Health and Peer Education**

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5**

**ALUMNI QUAD**

**8:00PM**

**Alumni Quad Movie Room**

**“LOVELINE”: SEX TALK AT UALBANY**

See program description above

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6**

**COLONIAL QUAD**

**8:00PM**

**Colonial Quad Penthouse**

**SEXUAL JEOPARDY!**

See program description above.

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7**

**INDIAN QUAD**

**8:00PM**

**Indian Quad Penthouse**

**“LOVELINE”: SEX TALK AT UALBANY**

See program description above

Special thanks to Carol Stenger, Project SHAPE: Sexual Health and Peer Education, Patti Fikes, Residence Director, and the Department of Residential Life for presenting and coordinating Sexuality Week programming in the residence halls.

# WORKSHOPS AND PROGRAMS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7

❖ 1:15PM-2:30PM

Campus Center 375

## SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS AT UALBANY: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Since the onset of AIDS, students are learning less about other sexually transmitted infections. Yet we have an epidemic of STDs in the U.S. and this has been increasing, especially among persons between the ages of 15 and 24. This experiential program will test students' knowledge about common STDs seen on the University at Albany campus, including chlamydia, HPV, herpes, gonorrhea and hepatitis. Prevention tips and techniques will be presented.

Presenters: **Carol Stenger, M.Ed., M.A.**

Coordinator for Health Promotion, University Counseling Center

**Members, Project SHAPE: Sexual Health & Peer Education**

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❖ 2:45PM-4:00PM

Campus Center 375

## "WHAT'S UP WITH THAT?" (WHAT'S NEW TODAY IN BIRTH CONTROL AND SAFER-SEX)

Have you ever had questions about new birth control methods available today? Do you know the difference between a pill, patch, ring or emergency contraception? Come and take a close-up look at the newest birth control methods, and have some fun talking about safer-sex. Raffle prizes for attending participants, too!

Presenters: **Rob Curry**

Vice President for External Affairs, Upper Hudson Planned Parenthood

**Amanda Stahl**

Youth Program Facilitator/Sexual Health Educator, Upper Hudson Planned Parenthood

**Bev Krauss, R.N.**

Nurse Practitioner, Upper Hudson Planned Parenthood

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❖ 4:15PM-5:30PM

Campus Center 375

## AN ETHICS DEBATE: INVOLUNTARY STERILIZATION FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

In this workshop, we will engage in a straightforward and honest discussion about the morality of involuntary sterilization of people with disabilities. We will show the video *Walk in Our Shoes: Speaking Out About Sterilization* and talk about the physical, medical, personal, and societal implications of whether people with disabilities should have the right to bear and raise children.

Presenters: **Nancy Belowich-Negron, M.S.**

Director, Disability Resource Center

**Paul Porter**, Residential Life Liaison, Middle Earth Peer Assistance Program

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❖ 6:30PM-7:45PM

Campus Center 375

## COMING OUT STORIES

Through telling our stories, we have the ability to find our strength and inspire others going through their own coming out process. In this workshop, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, queer, questioning, and ally people are welcome to share their stories in a safe space. This workshop recognizes that coming out is a continual process, and works to shed light on the impact, positive or negative, of coming out to friends and family. Friends and allies are welcome. Coming out resources will also be available.

Moderators: **Tyler Varese**

President, Pride Alliance

**Courtney D'Allaird**

Equity and Diversity Chair, Middle Earth and Member, Pride Alliance

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**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11**

❖ **10:00AM-3:00PM**

**Campus Center Lobby**

**CONTRACEPTION EXHIBIT**

Presenters: **Members, Project SHAPE: Sexual Health & Peer Education**

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❖ **1:15PM-2:30PM**

**Campus Center 375**

**RACE, CULTURE, SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND SEXUAL ASSAULT: WHAT YOU MAY WANT TO CONSIDER WHEN TRYING TO BE HELPFUL**

When we help others, we cannot assume that all of us use the systems or resources set up to provide help in the same way. There are important issues that can affect how or why a person reports a sexual assault. A survivor's race, culture, sexual orientation and gender can influence or affect their personal experience of a sexual assault/rape. These important individual aspects can be salient or subtle and can influence how help is received and what is considered helpful. This workshop will begin a conversation and offer tips about the variety of ways you can be a friend/support who is more aware, sensitive and respectful. Come and engage in a discussion, ask questions and learn something that you may find helpful.

Presenter: **Kelly J. Horner, M.A.**  
Director, Sexual Assault Resource Center

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❖ **2:45PM-4:00PM**

**Campus Center 375**

**ABORTION: THE IMPACT OF SILENCE**

In the first decades following the U.S. Supreme Court decision, *Roe v. Wade* that legalized abortion in the United States, many women across America were comfortable asserting their right to reproductive choice and sharing among friends and family the reasons behind their decisions to have abortions. As the opposition to abortion grew louder and more aggressive, however, most women stopped talking publicly—even to friends and family members--about their decisions. How has this silence impacted the next generation of women, who continue to face in equal numbers the challenge of unintended pregnancy and the experience of abortion? How has this silence impacted the struggle to retain legal protections for the right of each woman to choose between abortion and childbirth, without government interference? In this workshop, we will view the film *Abortion Diaries*, which documents the experiences and feelings of a small group of diverse women about their abortions. We will discuss the impact of abortion silence and what a world without *Roe* might look like.

Presenters: **Blue Carreker**  
Vice President, Public Affairs and Marketing, Upper Hudson Planned Parenthood  
**Members**, University at Albany pro-choice student group, VOX.

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❖ **4:15PM-5:30PM**

**Campus Center 375**

**STRAIGHT TALK FOR QUEER PEOPLE**

Were you ever offered a sex education class? Are you gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, or queer? LGBTQ youth are often ignored in sex education classes and don't receive information appropriate to their sexual experiences. This program will provide a real world sex education to LGBTQ students.

Presenters: **Courtney D'Allaird**  
Equity and Diversity Chair, Middle Earth and Member, Pride Alliance  
**Tyler Varese**  
President, Pride Alliance

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❖ 6:30PM-7:45PM

Campus Center 375

**WOMEN'S PERSONAL SAFETY: RAPE, AGGRESSION, DEFENSE WORKSHOP**

The Rape Aggression Defense is a self-defense program for women. R.A.D. is a system of realistic, self-defense tactics and techniques. This women-only workshop is an introduction to the full program. Risk reduction strategies will be discussed and physical defense techniques will be introduced.

Presenter: **Brett McLaughlin**  
Police Officer, University Police Department

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❖ 6:30PM-7:45PM

Campus Center Terrace Lounge

**MEN'S PERSONAL SAFETY: RESISTING AGGRESSION WITH DEFENSE WORKSHOP**

Resisting Aggression with Defense is a men's personal safety and self defense program that has its foundations in education and awareness. The men-only workshop includes lecture, discussion and self defense techniques, suitable for men of all ages and abilities.

Presenter: **Steven Grassmann**  
Police Officer, University Police Department

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❖ 8:00PM-9:30PM

Campus Center 375

**"S/HE'S JUST NOT THAT INTO YOU: HOW TO FIND OUT THE ONE THAT IS"**

Everyone knows that love should be a two-way street in which both parties contribute equally. So why do we still find ourselves, time and time again, on that one-way street supposedly called a relationship? We hope to answer this question and more in our presentation. "S/He's Just Not That Into You: How to Find the One That Is" was inspired by the #1 *New York Times* bestseller He's Just Not That Into You by Greg Behrendt and Liz Tuccillo. It is a no holds barred discussion on how otherwise smart men and women can stop making excuses for dead-end relationships and make way for healthy ones. We will talk about how to recognize the signs of an unhealthy relationship and how to make positive choices in our lives for a healthy future.

Presenters: **Amy Vincent, M.S.W.**  
Prevention Educator, Albany County Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center  
**Jacquelyn Beniquez, M.S., LMHC**  
Child Therapist, Albany County Crime Victim and Sexual Violence Center

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**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12**

❖ 10:00AM-3:00PM

Campus Center Lobby

**STD PREVENTION EXHIBIT**

Presenters: **Members, Project SHAPE: Sexual Health & Peer Education**

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❖ 1:15PM-2:30PM

Campus Center 375

**EUROPEAN APPROACHES TO SEX EDUCATION**

The U.S. continues to have the highest teen pregnancy rate of all industrialized nations as well as an epidemic of STIs, including HIV among youth. The presenter traveled to the Netherlands, Germany and France along with 22 colleagues from the U.S. to research sex education practices that might account for the differences. Comparative results will be presented, along with an analysis of the current position for abstinence only programs in the U.S.

Presenter: **Carol Stenger, M.Ed., M.A.**  
Coordinator for Health Promotion, University Counseling Center

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❖ 2:45PM-5:35 PM

Campus Center 375

**FILM SCREENING AND DISCUSSION: NO! THE RAPE DOCUMENTARY**

After 11 years, filmmaker Aishah Shahidah Simmons has completed an important documentary about Black women's experiences with rape, titled *No!*, the first film of its kind. Bridging women's testimonials with poetry, dance, historical and popular culture footage, *No!* seeks to raise awareness about a group of women and girls who have, for so long, been encouraged to remain silent about the ways in which they have been targeted for sexual violence. The presenter invites interested students to today's session of her course entitled, "Classism, Racism, and Sexism" for a screening of this film and a public scholarship opportunity and discussion of this very important film.

Presenter: **Janell Hobson, Ph.D.**  
Assistant Professor, Department of Women's Studies

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❖ 4:15PM-5:30PM

Campus Center Assembly Hall

**THE PORTRAYAL OF SEXUALITY IN HIP-HOP MUSIC**

Hip-Hop music is one of the most influential genres of music, not just recognized by the United States but renowned worldwide. Millions of records are sold each year, and hip-hop culture has had an immense influence on people of all ages and races throughout America. However, provocative lyrics exhibited in various rap songs, and erotic image portrayals of Black women in music videos have caused great controversy within the hip-hop industry. This workshop will explore the content of hip-hop song lyrics and, within a panel format, will discuss the ways in which this form of rap defines gender relations among men and women and how it shapes America's perception of sexuality within the Black community.

Moderator: **Risa Faussette, Ph.D.**  
Professor, Department of Africana Studies, College of St. Rose  
**Tyshena Hunter**, Senior Academic Advisor, Educational Opportunities Program  
**Chitara Waiters**, Vice President, Haitian Student Association  
**Kenneth Abrams**, President, Albany State University Black Alliance  
**Tasia Jackson**, President, Project SHAPE: Sexual Health & Peer Education  
**Representatives**, Middle Earth Peer Assistance Program

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❖ 8:00PM

Campus Center Ballroom

**25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY SEXUALITY WEEK KEYNOTE PRESENTATION: "Talk Sex with Sue"**

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**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13**

◆ 10:00AM-3:00PM

Campus Center Lobby

**HIV/AIDS PREVENTION EXHIBIT**

Presenters: **Members, Project SHAPE: Sexual Health & Peer Education**

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❖ 1:15PM-2:30PM

Campus Center 375

**DUCKS, HIPPOPOTAMUSES, PENGUINS AND SEX**

Come to this fun workshop and learn all sorts of strange but true facts about sex and sexuality. You will laugh and be amazed and shake your head while learning some new things. Can the sexual behavior of ducks and hippopotamuses and penguins tell us anything about our own? Cornflakes and graham crackers will be served and we'll tell you why when you arrive. This workshop will cover little known facts about the animal kingdom and sexual behavior as well as the human world and sexual attitudes and behavior. This is meant to be fun, light, interesting and thought-provoking as well as educational.

Presenter: **Carol Stenger, M.Ed., M.A.**, Coordinator for Health Promotion, University Counseling Center  
**Members**, Project SHAPE: Sexual Health & Peer Education

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❖ 2:45PM-4:00PM

Campus Center 375

**ALCOHOL USE AND UNPROTECTED SEX**

What percent of UAlbany students have not engaged in unprotected intercourse as a result of alcohol use? Think you know? Come learn the answer and join the discussion about alcohol and unprotected sex.

Presenters: **Peer Educators**, Middle Earth Peer Assistance Program

**Brian M. Freidenberg, Ph.D.**

Addictive Behaviors Specialist/Staff Psychologist, University Counseling Center

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❖ 4:15PM-5:30PM

Campus Center 375

**ROMANTIC INTELLIGENCE**

Romantically intelligent men and women use their emotions as messengers to enhance their relationships. Romantic intelligence provides an essential road map for relationship success. Learn to cultivate your "romantic intelligence" and develop emotional management skills to better deal with toxic emotions, avoid impulsive mistakes, and to increase your "romantic IQ." Dr. Valentis will be signing copies of her books at the end of this workshop.

Presenter: **Mary B. Valentis, Ph.D.**

Associate Professor, Department of English

Director, Center for Humanities, Arts, and Techno Sciences (CHATS)

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❖ 6:00PM-7:30PM

Campus Center 375

**CULTURE AND SEX – WHAT DO WE REALLY KNOW?**

This workshop is interactive! Members of the Multicultural Greek Council will perform skits and talk about their experiences focusing on issues of sexuality currently facing minorities and their cultures. Skits will be followed by a question/answer session with audience members to discuss how these issues can both negatively, and positively, affect perceptions of sexuality, culture and identity.

Panelists: **Members of the Multicultural Greek Council Fraternities and Sororities**

**Nancy Lauricella, M.S.**

Assistant Director, Office of Conflict Resolution and Civic Responsibility

**Craig Brewer**, Coordinator of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs, Office of Student Involvement & Leadership

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**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14**

❖ 10:00AM-3:00PM

Campus Center Lobby

**BREAST & TESTICULAR CANCER PREVENTION EXHIBIT**

Presenters: **Members, Project SHAPE: Sexual Health & Peer Education**

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❖ 1:15PM-2:30PM

Campus Center 375

**HPV – THE STD THAT CAUSES CANCER, AND HOW TO PREVENT IT**

The Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) is a widespread organism that is usually harmless. Some of its many strains, however, are sexually transmitted and can cause genital warts or cancer – especially cervical cancer. Cervical cancer is now thought to be entirely due to chronic infection with cancer-causing strains of HPV. A new vaccine protects against the most common strains of HPV that cause cancer or genital warts, and new enhanced Pap smears pick up early evidence of the virus and pre-cancerous changes in the cervix. This session will present information about HPV and cervical cancer prevention – including both the new HPV vaccine and the long-standing success of Pap smears.

Presenter: **Mary Applegate, M.D., M.P.H.**

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, School of Public Health

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❖ 2:45PM-4:00PM

Campus Center 375

**EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION: WHAT IT IS, WHAT IT ISN'T, HOW IT WORKS, WHERE TO GET IT, HOW TO USE IT**

This program will tell you everything you want to know about emergency contraception, sometimes referred to as “the morning-after pill” or EC. You will learn about situations where EC is useful, the mechanism of action of EC, the effectiveness of the different options in EC, current laws governing its distribution, and where to get it. Using hypothetical cases, we will discuss common situations a college student might face where EC is needed, such as contraceptive failure or acquaintance rape, and you will be able to get answers to any questions you have about EC.

Presenter: **Mary Applegate, M.D., M.P.H.**

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, School of Public Health

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❖ 4:15PM-5:30PM

Campus Center 375

**FILM SCREENING: “SOUTHERN COMFORT”**

This award-winning documentary follows the story of Robert Eads, an FTM transsexual suffering from ovarian cancer who faces sure death after 20 doctors have refused to treat him for his condition. Far away from Atlanta's city lights, Robert makes a life for himself and his two families: his biological family of two parents, two sons by birth, and a darling three-year-old grandson; and his chosen family of two FTM transsexual sons, Maxwell and Cass. Robert is falling in love with Lola Cola, a MTF transsexual, but as hard as he tries to resist, in the face of his impending death, the romance blooms beautifully in bittersweet irony.

Presenter: **Carol Stenger, M.Ed., M.A.**

Coordinator for Health Promotion, University Counseling Center

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❖ 6:00PM-7:30PM

Campus Center 375

**COMMUNICATING WITH YOUR PARTNER**

This workshop will use peer theater techniques to address some of the challenging and difficult communication issues that are associated with the development of intimate relationships with others. Actors will play out situations which address issues of commitment and the establishment of healthy communication between partners. Using humorous characterizations of male and female communication styles, actors will illustrate some of the common misunderstandings in couples. While scenarios may be tailored to illustrate a hetero-normative relationship model, student facilitators will lead discussion with the audience to process the ways such interactions can be applied to a broad range of intimate relationships.

Presenters: ***The Middle Earth Players***

**Hilary Flagg**, Outreach Coordinator, Middle Earth Program

**Edward McKenna**, Vice President, Middle Earth Peer Assistance Program

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## ABOUT SEXUALITY WEEK 2008

During the twenty-five years that Sexuality Week has been in existence at the University at Albany, college students across the nation have been faced with critical issues and choices. Concerns related to gender issues, HIV/AIDS, relationships, identity, and reproductive health have remained at the forefront across time.

In recognition of the importance of the above issues for students, the content of programs within Sexuality Week reflect these key themes. In this way, we hope to meet the needs of our students as well as to provide a retrospective and prospective look at the issues.

All programs listed in this brochure will be presented or supervised by individuals with expertise in the topic area. We hope the information that will be presented will encourage learning, dialogue, and critical thinking, and will continue to move Middle Earth forward in its mission of prevention education.

### **Sexuality Week 2008 Planning Committee Chair**

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