PRESS RELEASE
SJSU Human Rights Lecture Event
Human Rights, Racism, and the Police State

Event date: April 16th, 2015

Location: SJSU Main Campus (activities and workshops in MLK Library 225 and on the Student Union Raised Patio; keynote speech in Morris Dailey Auditorium)

Press Release (text):

On Thursday, April 16th join students, faculty, community members, and organizers from Chicago, Ferguson, and the greater San Francisco Bay Area for the Spring 2015 SJSU Human Rights Lecture Event: Human Rights, Racism, and the Police State.

The 2015 Human Rights Lecture Event features a full day of panels, workshops, and activities, including a Keynote Speech by Dr. Angela Davis on “Inequality and the Role of Resistance.”

The day’s events begin at noon, where students and community members can learn from and engage with activists at the forefront of contemporary movements challenging police violence, mass incarceration, and social inequality. All events are free and open to the public. Activities include:

• SOLITARY CELL ART INSTALLATIONS (12:00-5:00 Student Union Raised Patio) from the Prisoner Hunger Strike Solidarity Coalition

• LUNCH PANEL (12:00-1:00, MLK 225) with community organizers from Ferguson, Chicago, and the greater Bay Area

• WORKSHOP (12:30-2:30, STUDENT UNION RAISED PATIO) by the HipHop Chess Federation

• A KNOW YOUR RIGHTS PRESENTATION (1:30-2:30, MLK 225) by WeCopWatch

• TALKING CIRCLE (3:30-5:00, MLK 225) where students can engage with local and national organizers to build on current movements to end mass incarceration and police violence.

• KEYNOTE SPEECH: DR. ANGELA DAVIS, “Inequality and the Role of Resistance,” 7:00 p.m., Morris Dailey Auditorium (doors open at 6:30, pre-program African cultural performance by Jaliya at 6:45).

KEYNOTE RSVP: Visit humanrightssjsu.eventbrite.com to reserve your ticket now! Students free with ID, suggested donation of $5-10 for community members at the door.
Event Co-Sponsors: San Jose Peace and Justice Center, South Bay Labor Council, Working Partnerships USA, Santa Clara County Office of Human Relations, SJSU Human Rights Program, Dept. of Justice Studies, Dept. of African American Studies, MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center, and the Cesar Chavez Community Action Center. Additional funding provided by the SJSU Foundation and the Chican@/Latin@ and African American Student Success Task Forces.

For questions/concerns/comments, please contact the Planning Committee via Dr. William Armaline: william.armaline@sjsu.edu.

Download the Event Poster here: http://tinyurl.com/poxqv3y

Attachment: SJSU Annual Human Rights Lecture Event 2015 Poster (PDF)