

## The President's Commission on the Status of Women

Cordially invites you to the *Spring 2009 - Women's Research Colloquium*

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

The Pointe- in the Pyramid

5:00pm-7:30pm

Buffet dinner begins at 5:15 pm

Presentations begin at 5:45 pm

Presenters:

**Dr. Judith Stevenson**, Assistant Professor, Department of Human Development

### "The Mamas Were Ripe"

This story is part of a project that examines the changes in political ideology at grassroots levels during the struggle against South African apartheid and its aftermath. Black women in a small township named Munsieville embodied the convergence of two ideological streams during the 1980s: missionary imposed domesticity and Black feminist contextual theology. This convergence created a paradigm shift in understanding of them, influencing how they responded to state violence and racial injustice through leadership and public activism. These ideologies converged within a specific historical space, women's Christian Burial Societies, where women forged social identities and gained political, religious, economic and emotional support. The resultant vision of women's empowerment drew women together and gave them the ideological permission to become radical activists.

**Dr. Colleen Dunagan**, Assistant Professor, Department of Dance

### "Consumption as Choreography"

Drawing on deconstructionists notions of the text and poststructuralist concepts of subjectivity, performance and dance studies have expanded the concept of choreography to re-imagine it as both a product of artistic endeavors and as a site of intersecting activities within the social. Concurrently, commercial forms such as advertising, the news, and reality shows have come to demonstrate a conscious awareness of the choreography and performance of identity. This presentation examines how advertisers merge dance and pedestrian movement to shape meaning, reminding us that we choreograph ourselves on a daily basis in a variety of ways through the practices of consumption.

**Reservations:** Kindly RSVP by Wednesday, April 22, 2009 to Cynthia Angiuli via email at

[cangiuli@csulb.edu](mailto:cangiuli@csulb.edu) or by phone - (562) 985-1688

After RSVP, payment may be made in advance or at the door on the evening of the Colloquium.

**Cost:** \$20 for faculty, staff, guests, and students. Student sponsorship is highly encouraged.

**Please Note:** If you must cancel after the deadline you are still responsible for full payment.

To pay in advance, please:

1. Complete the information below.
2. Make check payable to: **CSULB Foundation**
3. Forward both to: Cynthia Angiuli, President's Office, BH-300

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Department \_\_\_\_\_ Ext. \_\_\_\_\_

If bringing a guest,

Guest's name \_\_\_\_\_

Is guest a student? \_\_\_\_\_

- You are invited to sponsor a student - even if you are unable to attend.

