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TODAY

An open forum workshop on women's gender and cultural issues will begin at 5 p.m. at the law school.



INSIDE

An exhibit demonstrates the struggles of the avant-garde art movement in China

Both the Oregon men's and women's basketball teams lost to the Stanford teams

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WEATHER

Scattered showers today with a high near 50.

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Hornbuckle blocks units, found guilty

■ **AMAZON:** Premeditated actions by the city councilman and five others violate Oregon law by blocking traffic and demolition of housing complex

By Regina Brown
Higher Education Reporter

Eugene City Councilman Kevin Hornbuckle was one of six people found guilty Thursday of disorderly conduct for blocking a bulldozer leveling units in the Amazon Family Housing complex last May.

The six defendants, who were arrested along with three others, included Karl Sorg, a former civil rights attorney who once won a case before the U.S. Supreme Court.

District Court Judge Ted Carp found the defendants guilty of violating Oregon law because their actions were premeditated, he said. They were accused of blocking traffic on Patterson Street and of illegally blocking the demolition of the buildings.

For their sentence, Carp has ordered the defendants to either pay a \$250 fine or to complete 30 hours of community service within six months. Sorg was excused from the sentence for medical

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Cheap fix



Using hair spray, fine arts senior Jud Turner coats his drawing to fix the image on the paper. Art students use this method because of the relatively low cost compared to other available fixers to use on this type of art work.

ANDREW BRACKENSHOCK/emerald

Weekend conference to shed light on women's issues

■ **DISCUSSION:** The conference is free, and all discussions are open for anyone to register

By Ashley Bach
Student Activities Reporter

Women from all over the Oregon will converge at the law school this weekend to discuss gender and cultural issues in a variety of workshops and caucuses as part of the 1996 Women of Color Conference, sponsored by the ASUO

Women's Center.

Holding true to the theme of the forum, "Defining Ourselves: Feminism and Beyond," most of the workshops and discussion groups will focus on how to juggle the roles of gender and ethnicity.

"Society seems to say you can't be black and a woman, for example," said Daniela Diaz, who coordinated the event. "We have to look at [gender and culture] in a collective way, because in reality, you can't just strip layers off yourself."

Diaz said in addition to helping women of color address their specific issues and network with each other, the conference will also serve as an opportunity for members of other communities to participate in the discussion of the issues.

"We hope not only women will come away with an understanding of what it's like to be a woman of color, especially in this academic setting," Diaz said.

Workshops will focus not

only on topics such as growing up Native American or Chicano, but will also look at issues that concern men, lesbians and bisexuals.

Because all of the discussions will be open to the public, Diaz said she hopes that the conference's participants will learn from each other.

"It's a great opportunity for people to just listen in on the issues and learn," she said.

Highlighting the weekend of discussion will be keynote speaker, Dr. Yvette Flores-Ortiz.

Flores-Ortiz, a professor at the University of California at Davis, will be speaking on "Voicing the Silence: Women of Color, Feminism and Human Rights" at Saturday night's dinner.

While registration begins tonight at 5 o'clock for the free conference, Diaz said people can come all weekend to participate.

"It's free to everyone," she said. "People can come anytime and register to be part of it."



Rey Chow gives a speech about multiculturalism on Thursday at Gerfinger Hall.

Lecture focuses on oppression of cultures

■ **SPEAKER:** Rey Chow spoke about the need for cultural studies Thursday night

By Sean Rossol
Higher Education Reporter

Speaking before a crowd of about 90 people, Rey Chow, a professor at the University of California at Irvine, orated on multiculturalism and the oppression of other cultures by the West.

After a brief introduction by Alan Wolfe, head of East Asian Language and Literature and a professor of Comparative Literature, Chow began her lecture on "Theory, Area Studies, Cultural Studies: Representation and Pedagogy in the Age

of Multiculturalism."

Chow, who is the author of three books and over 30 articles and essays, states that minority discourse (conversation) is oppressed by white, protestant, heterosexual males and the exploitative and asymmetrical natures of western cultures.

Chow said that there is a need for western cultures to emphasize Area Studies and Cultural Studies in our curriculum.

"Cultural Studies are the affirmation of others that was made possible three decades ago [by the teachings of Dr. King]," Chow said. "Twenty years after the origin of race theories, those that were for race theories are backing way Cultural Studies."

There is a need for Cultural Studies, she said, because, "Cultural Studies challenges post-structural theories."

In what she terms as Orientalism, she claims the West continues to view non-white, non-west societies as having no culture of their own.

"They continue to be marginalized and silenced," Chow said.

"Orientalism, by way of culture, representationally leaves us irrevocably helpless," she said.

Chow said that one reason for this view is due to the fact that the United States has inherited west Europe's role as the military aggressor-come-savior for the rest

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