Author Tricia Rose will speak as part of MLK celebration

The two-week celebration of Martin Luther King Jr.'s life will feature a candlelight vigil and several speakers

By Jared Paben
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Noted author and speaker Tricia Rose will deliver a keynote address tonight exploring black womens' sexuality as part of the University's two-week celebration honoring Martin Luther King Jr.'s life.

Rose's lecture, which begins at 7 p.m. in 100 Willamette, will discuss the politics surrounding sexuality for black women and issues of race, love and desire.

Kimi Mojica, director of diversity education and support for the Office of Student Life, helped bring Rose to the University and said she asked Rose to link the speech to current-day issues as well as King's life.

"I wanted her to be able to connect with the community on campus and bring it to a level that reaches (students)," Mojica said. "To kind of bring it down to (current) day life and the decisions we make. She was excited to do that."

Courtesy

Tricia Rose will discuss the politics surrounding sexuality for black women tonight.

Mojica said Rose was selected because she can attract the attention of educators and students and make her speech relevant to their lives.

Rose wrote a book called "Longing to Tell: Black Women Talk About Sexuality and Intimacy" that was put into print in June 2003. The book is a collection of sexual testimonies by 20 black women, which "dispel prevailing myths and provide revealing insights into how black women navigate the complex terrain of sexuality," according to Rose's Web site.

Multicultural Center Program Advisor Steve Morozumi said

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CRIME WATCH

Thefts and recoveries

The Department of Public Safety received eight reports of larceny, four reports of bike theft and five reports of found property. DPS also impounded one bike from Deschutes Hall.

Disorderly conduct

DPS received five reports of disorderly conduct, three reports of Eugene Municipal Code infractions for urinating in public and 10 reports of suspicious conditions. DPS reported five suspicious subjects: one at Walton Complex, one at Klamath Hall, one at Lawrence Hall, one at the EMU and one at H.P. Barnhart Hall.

DPS also received six reports of vandalism, four reports of criminal trespassing and one report of stunters on bikes.

Saturday, Jan. 17, 1:05 a.m.: A DPS officer reported two subjects climbing trees outside of Johnson Hall.

Alcohol and drugs

DPS received two reports of open containers at McArthur Court and two reports of drug law violations. DPS also received four reports of minors in possession of alcohol.

Miscellaneous

DPS received one emergency call report, seven alarm reports, one report of careless driving and one report of a possible counterfeit bill at the EMU. DPS also received 10 requests for vehicle tows from reserved spots: two from the Pacific Hall parking lot, two from the Student Health Center staff lot, two from the PLC parking lot, one from the visitor's parking lot, two from the Alder Street parking lot and one from the Clinical Services Building north parking lot.

Saturday, Jan. 17, 2:09 a.m.: DPS officer reported items taken from his patrol vehicle at the PLC parking lot.

PFC

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members of the press are allowed to stay, they cannot report on the proceedings.

The Emerald requested in the grievance that records of the PFC executive session be made public.

"Steps need to be taken to maintain the spirit of open government and to ensure that such actions do not occur in the future," Schmidt said in the grievance.

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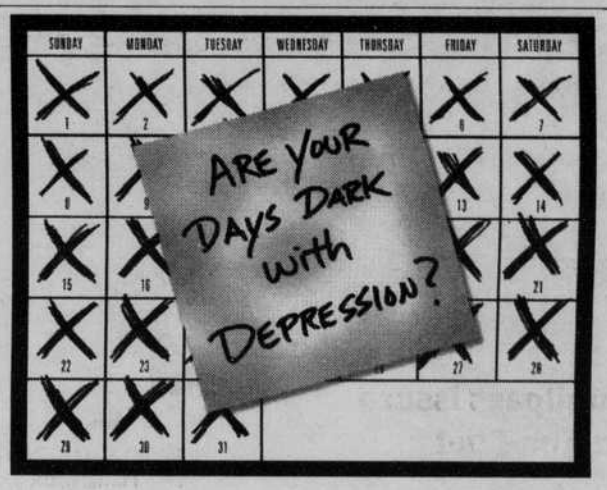

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