

**“Searching for Social Justice”**  
**Siena College Sociology Symposium**  
**Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013**  
**9:00 am-4:00pm**

**GREETING: 9:00-9:15**

**SESSION 1: 9:15-10:15**

**Panel 1: Power and Domination, New Hall 165**

**Facilitator: Neman Tuite**

*Contemplating Albany: Power, Resistance, and Social Organization in New York’s Capital*, John Mulvaney, Siena College

*Power Structures*, Donald Csorny, Siena College

*The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (PRWORA) of 1996*, Kyle Rogowski, Siena College

**Panel 2: Black Women and Identity, New Hall 166**

**Facilitator: Oseia Seaforth**

*How Hair Matters: Exploring Black Women from Perceptions about Black Hair*, Juliet Ramirez, Skidmore College

*Reading the Body: How Contemporary Images of Black Women in the Media are Read by White Men*, Regina Ellis, Skidmore College

*Perceptions of African American Hair*, Khadija Williams and Ashley Riggins, Siena College

**Panel 3: Global Issues, New Hall 168**

**Facilitator: Sean Krause**

*The Environmental Concerns in Developing Countries: Experiences from Global Service Internships*, Lindsey Knowlden and Claudia Congemi, Siena College

*Breaking Karen Language Barriers to Health Care*, Haleigh Dennett, Siena College

*Putting the Syrian Crisis in Perspective*, Caitlin Whelan & Mary Kate Thompson, Siena College

**Panel 4: Educational Inequality, New Hall GL 33**

**Facilitator: Lauren Whitman**

*American Education: A Stepping Stool for Some, a Stumbling Block for Others*, Cassandra Jane Werking, Siena College

*Financial Boundaries of Race to Private U.S. Universities*, Antonio Ricci, Siena College

*Inequalities: Disparities in Wealth and Education between Social Classes*, Kim Ramirez, Siena College

## **SESSION II: 10:25-11:45**

### **Panel 1: Crime and Justice, New Hall 165**

**Facilitator: John Mulvaney**

*Transgressions Transparent: Police Brutality Victims in Need*, Kevin Tricariak, University at Albany

*Perceptions of the Police: Racial and Class Dynamics*, Samantha Clementina Holmes, Siena College

*Attacking the Foundations of Cultural Bias against People with Criminal Records: Proposals to Obtain a Position of Strength in the Debate over Reintegration Rights*, Jeremy Zielinski, Hudson Valley community College

### **Panel 2: Immigration and Food Justice, New Hall 166**

**Facilitator: Nichole Mooch**

*Experiences of Latinos in America: Interviews with Siena College Students*, Christina Tompkins, Department of Social Work, Siena College

*HIV and AIDS Education among Refugees in America*, Maria Rocco, Siena College

*Real Food Challenge*, Paige Allen, Siena College

### **Panel 3: Adolescence and Schooling, New Hall 168**

**Facilitator: Kyle Rogowski**

*A Year In My Shoes*, Molly Carson, Becca Robinson, Allie Gonzalez, and Lauren Goca, Siena College

*Adolescence: A Practical Study*, Matt Pinchinat, Mike Tricomi, and Michael Taglia, Siena College

*Engaging Adolescence: A How to Guide*, Alyssa Treanor, Rachel Stoklosa, Kathryn Mannix, and Meaghan MacVicar, Siena College

*Everyday Heroes: Helping Youth Discover their Potential in the World*, Kelly Hasso, Erin Faeth, Katie Fitzpatrick, and Lakeisha Armstrong, Siena College

**Panel 4: Posters, New Hall Lobby**

*One Laptop Per Child Project*, Martha Tessitore, Siena College

*A Dream for DREAM*, Fatima Hussain, Siena College

*Diagnosed Attention Deficit and Disruptive Behaviors in Children: A Gendered Perspective*, Katherine Sliclen, Skidmore College

*The Stakes of Eating Meat Dissociating Meat from Animals*, Shelby Smith, Skidmore College

*Cyberbullying*, Daniel Golderman, Siena College

**Pick Up Lunch: 11:45-12:00**

**Keynote Address: 12:00-1:00**

Dr. Alice Green, Center for Law and Justice

**SESSION III: 1:10-2:20**

**Careers for Social Change, New Hall 167 Main Dining Hall**

Maria and Roger Markovics, United Tenants of Albany, and Mark Mishler, Occupy Albany.

**SESSION IV: 2:30-3:30**

**Panel 1: Racial and Gender Inequalities, New Hall 165**

**Facilitator: Jeffrey Ossur**

*Analyzing the Quality of Inter-Racial Interactions*, Eric Moretti, Skidmore College

*Challenges Faced by Women in the Corporate World*, Jacquelyn Studdert, Siena College

**Panel 2: How Can High Schools better Serve America's Youth? New Hall 166**

**Facilitator: Kaitlin Pericak**

*Making Weaver, CT a Greater Achiever: Giving Poverty a Voice in School Reform*, Jessica Randazzo, Erin Bies, Kensey Waterman, and Kirby O'Keefe

*Inside Albany High: Reforming and Recreating Strategies*, Melissa Alexander, Shaniqua Dunn, and David Reyes

*Reforming Schenectady High School: Socially, Economically, and Politically*, Lauren Smith, Annie Dodge, Hannah Holekamp, and Chrissy DelSanto, Siena College

**Panel 3: Teamwork and Community Building, New Hall 168**

**Facilitator: Megan Crandall**

*Teamwork Makes the Dream Work*, Brett Bisping & Ryan Oliver, Siena College

*All for One, One for All: Development of Teamwork and Leadership Skills*, Liz Rogan, Siena College

*The Truth behind Community Engagement*, Genesis Saldana, Siena College

**Panel 4: Film Showing, New Hall GL 33**

“The Throwaways” Bhawin Suchak & Ira McKinley