

## **THE JANE DOE PROJECT**

### **An Original Production by Cheyna Roczkowski**

On Thursday, **March 19, 2009**, Aquinas College will be hosting a one night only performance of ***The Jane Doe Project* at 7:00 p.m.** in the **Wege Ballroom** with a pre-event beginning at **6:00 p.m.**

*The Jane Doe Project* is a mixed-genre performance written, directed, and produced by Aquinas student Cheyna Roczkowski. Based on interviews conducted with Aquinas women (traditional students, faculty, alumni, and continuing education students) concerning their experiences with rape, sexual assault, molestation, and domestic violence, *The Jane Doe Project* seeks to bring awareness to the overarching effects of violence against women as well as end the silence surrounding this issue.

In the words of Cheyna Roczkowski, "This project is designed to present a safe space where both men and women can increase their awareness of this devastating issue as well as allow victims a possible chance at healing by hearing their stories read anonymously out loud."

Along with increasing awareness for the issue, Roczkowski has also organized a **pre-event** to take place in the **Wege Ballroom** beginning at **6:00 p.m.**, while the play itself will start at **7:00 p.m.** This pre-event will have tables set up with women's organizations from around Michigan displaying information, volunteer sign-ups, and donation baskets. While local band, The Backstrokes, plays Roczkowski and her team of faculty and students will be selling T-shirts and faculty made cupcakes. There is no cost for this event, but it is strongly encouraged that you make a donation of time or money in any one of these forms. All proceeds gathered through T-shirt and cupcake sales will go to benefit the YWCA as well

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as other local organizations striving to end violence against women.

Roczkowski says, "The pre-event is extremely important to what I am trying to accomplish with The Jane Doe Project. I am trying to raise awareness as well as pro-active responses to violence against women. By having women's organizations present as well as various forms to donate, I am allowing the audience to take a stand immediately, because too often with performances we become strongly affected, but by the time we get home, the issue has become less real and less immediate. This way, the leg work is done, and all you have to do is decide what the best way is for you to contribute to the cause."

For further information or questions, you can reach Cheyna Roczkowski by e-mail at [roczkche@aquinas.edu](mailto:roczkche@aquinas.edu) or her advisors: Pamela Dail Whiting at [dailwpam@aquinas.edu](mailto:dailwpam@aquinas.edu) or 616-632-2827 Michelle DeRose at [derosmic@aquinas.edu](mailto:derosmic@aquinas.edu) or 616-632-2826.

## **JANE HIBBARD IDEMA WOMEN'S STUDIES EVENT**

**Thursday, March 19**

**12:30-1:30 p.m.:** Aquinas College Jane Hibbard Idema Women's Studies Center Event.

***Was That a He or a She and Why Does it Matter?: A Reading of Creative Nonfiction*** (from her forthcoming book on her experiences with cancer). Speaker: **Sandi Wisenberg, essayist and author.** Wege Center, Loutit Room. Free.

**Thursday, March 26**

**7:00-8:30 p.m.:** Aquinas College Jane Hibbard Idema Women's Studies Center Event.

***A Night of Celebrating Women's Voices.*** Readings from the winners of the Women's

History Month Creative Writing Contest and from the Women and Journals Class. The Moose Café, Cook Carriage House. Free.

## STUDENT CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST DEADLINE

### Wednesday, March 18 - Deadline

Student Creative Writing Contest in celebration of Women's History Month. Aquinas students can submit their poetry, creative non-fiction, or fiction celebrating women or issues related to women. Winners will read their work at the "A Night of Celebrating Women's Voices" event. Entry forms available in the Women's Studies Center and Mail Room. **Please have all submissions/forms to the mailbox of Pamela Dail-Whiting by 5:00 p.m.**

## WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL LECTURE SERIES TO COVER EIGHT GLOBAL 'GREAT DISCUSSIONS'

Beginning Monday, the World Affairs Council of West Michigan's annual Great Discussions Lecture Series brings eight notable experts to town to discuss issues from climate change opening up Canada's Northwest Passage to the new green economy in Michigan.

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Soviet lines in Afghanistan in 1981. The husband and wife later produced a PBS documentary.

### March 23

Rob Gifford, NPR London bureau chief and former Beijing correspondent, presents "China Road: A Journey into the Future of a Rising Power."

**All lectures begin at 6:00 p.m.** at Aquinas College's Performing Arts Center with the exception of Gifford's, which will be at Grand Rapids Civic Theater. For more information, call 776-1721.

## ART NEWS

### Sunday, February, 22-Friday, March 27

Aquinas College Gallery Exhibit. **Annual, All-Media, Juried Student Show**

Gallery Hours: Monday-Thursday: 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.  
Friday: 10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.;  
Saturday and Sunday: 2:00-6:00 p.m. For information, call (616) 632-2408.

## MUSIC NOTES

### Sunday, March 22

**3:00 p.m.:** Aquinas College Music Department presents a **Spring Choral Concert** featuring the *College Chorus, Chamber Choir, and Valenti Handbell Ensemble*. Trinity United Methodist Church, 1100 Lake Drive SE. Free. For information, call (616) 632-2413.

### Tuesday, March 24

**12:30 p.m.:** Aquinas College Lecture Series. **Aquinas Music Department, Women Composers.** People are invited to bring their lunches. Wege Center Ballroom. Free.

### Sunday, March 29

**7:00 p.m.**  
**Opera Grand Rapids Collegiate Vocal Competition**

## AQ DAYS

### Sunday, March 22-Monday, March 23

**2:30 p.m.:** **Club AQ** High school juniors, seniors and their families. For information, visit our Web site: [aquinas.edu/admissions](http://aquinas.edu/admissions).

### Friday, March 27

**9:00 a.m.:** **Aquinas Fine Arts Day** for high school juniors, seniors, and their families. For information, visit our Web site: [aquinas.edu/admissions](http://aquinas.edu/admissions).

## CAMPUS MINISTRY LUNCHTIME LECTURE SERIES DOMINICAN ROOTS SERIES

### Thursday, March 26

**12:30-1:25 p.m.:** Aquinas College Campus Ministry Lunchtime Lecture Series presents ***Dominicans In and At Art***. Speaker: **Sister Marie Celeste Miller, O.P., Ph.D., Aquinas Associate Professor of Art**. Aquinas Wege Student Center, Loutit Room. Free and the public is welcome. For information, call (616) 632-2488.

## AQUINAS COLLEGE CONTEMPORARY WRITERS SERIES AND THE AQUINAS THEATRE DEPARTMENT WELCOME PLAYWRIGHT VINCENT DELANEY

The Aquinas College Theatre Department will present the final preview performances of **Writer 1272**, a play written by Vincent Delaney, before its

premier production at the Guthrie Theater in Minneapolis, Minnesota. ***Writer 1272*** will open on **Wednesday, April 1 and run through Saturday, April 4 with performances at 8:00 p.m., along with an additional performance at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 5, at the Aquinas Performing Arts Center, 1703 Robinson Road SE.** Ticket prices are \$10 for general admission, \$8 faculty and staff, and \$4 for students.

**The Aquinas Contemporary Writers Series will host a talkback session** following the **8:00 p.m.** performance on **April 1.** The Aquinas College Contemporary Writers Series was founded by a grant from Tony Foster, M.D. '73 and Linda Neme Foster '72. The series kicked off in 1997 by bringing well-known authors to Aquinas College for public readings and workshops with students. For information on the Series, call (616)632-2127 or visit [www.aquinas.edu/library](http://www.aquinas.edu/library).

Delaney's *Writer 1272* is a dark, comedic play involving high school students trying to perfect their college entrance exams. Students are buying their essays from anonymous writers from the internet underground. Who are these writers? What are their dreams? Mixing high pressure admissions, mistaken identities and exotic desserts, this play is a hilarious take on the world of college admissions.

Delaney's previous plays include *The War Party 2008*, *The Art of Bad Men 2007*, *Perpetua* and *Kuwait*, which won the Heideman Award. He has taught and held residencies at St. Olaf College, St. Paul, Minnesota; the University of Alabama at Birmingham; Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, Minnesota; the Guthrie Theater, Minneapolis, Minnesota; and Augsburg College, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Delaney is a Core Member of the Playwrights Center and teaches young playwrights in Seattle, Washington.

For additional information on the Aquinas Theatre Department and upcoming plays, visit [www.aquinas.edu/theatre/pac.schedule.html](http://www.aquinas.edu/theatre/pac.schedule.html). For more information on the Aquinas Contemporary Writers Series, visit [www.aquinas.edu/library/CW/writers.html](http://www.aquinas.edu/library/CW/writers.html).

**\*THIS WEEK AT AQUINAS\***

**Monday..... 16**

Noon-3:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room  
4:00 p.m.-Confession, Bukowski Chapel  
4:30 p.m.-Weekday Mass, Bukowski Chapel  
6:00-9:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room  
9:00-11:00 p.m.-Fieldhouse-Open Gym

**Tuesday..... 17**

Noon-3:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room  
6:00-9:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room  
9:00-11:00 p.m.-Fieldhouse-Open Gym

**Wednesday..... 18**

Noon-3:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room  
3:30 p.m.-Men's Tennis @ Grand Valley State University  
(Allendale, MI)  
4:00 p.m.-Confession, Bukowski Chapel  
4:30 p.m.-Weekday Mass, Bukowski Chapel  
6:00-9:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room  
9:00-11:00 p.m.-Fieldhouse-Open Gym

**Thursday..... 19**

Noon-3:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room  
4:00 p.m.-BASEBALL vs MUSKEGON CC (DH)  
@ KIMBLE STADIUM  
6:00-9:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room  
9:00-11:00 p.m.-Fieldhouse-Open Gym

**Friday..... 20**

Noon-BASEBALL vs KELLOGG CC (DH)  
@ KIMBLE STADIUM  
Noon-MEN'S TENNIS vs WHEATON  
Noon-3:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room  
3:00 p.m.-Softball @ Bethel College (Mishawaka, IN)  
7:00 p.m.-Men's Lacrosse @ Augustana (Rock Island, IL)

**Saturday..... 21**

11:00 a.m.-MEN'S TENNIS vs TIFFIN  
11:00 a.m.-Men's Lacrosse @ Palmer (Davenport, IA)

Noon-Softball @ St. Xavier (Chicago, IL)  
1:00 p.m.-Baseball @ Indiana Wesleyan (DH) (Marion, IN)

**Sunday..... 22**

1:00 p.m.-Baseball @ Trine University (1, 9 inning, and 1,  
7 inning JV) (Angola, IN)  
7:00-9:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room  
7:00-11:00 p.m.-Fieldhouse-Open Gym  
8:00 p.m.-Evening Mass, Bukowski Chapel  
TBA-Women's Tennis @ Trine University Doubles Tourney  
(Angola, IN)

**Monday..... 23**

Noon-3:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room  
4:00 p.m.-Confession, Bukowski Chapel  
4:30 p.m.-Weekday Mass, Bukowski Chapel  
6:00-9:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room  
9:00-11:00 p.m.-Fieldhouse-Open Gym

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**DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY, NOON**