

WOMEN'S STUDY PROGRAM (2012-2013)

Susan E. Barbaro, Ph.D.*

Associate Professor of Biology, Chair of the Women's Study Program, Rivier University

2012-2013
WOMEN'S STUDIES PROGRAM

*Transformational
Experiences and the
Liberal Arts*

This year, the Women's Studies Program is honoring the Liberal Arts. In celebration of our transition from college to university status and our continued commitment to educating the whole person by cultivating critical thought and respect for all, the theme for this year's Women's Studies Program highlights ways in which the Visual, Performing, and Literary Arts transform lives.

About the Program

The Yvonne Greenleaf Memorial Scholarship was established by the Women's Studies Committee of Rivier in the memory of Yvonne Greenleaf. Intelligent, vivacious, courageous, always positive, a leader, Yvonne was truly a model for women as well as men. As a long-time, active member of the Women's Studies Committee at Rivier she exemplified the best qualities of being a woman. This scholarship was designed to keep her memory and spirit alive by helping the students she so loved to teach!

On behalf of Dr. Marjorie Marcoux Faiia, the Women's Studies Program, and the Student Government Association, proceeds from the Women Studies Silent Auction will be donated to Nino Anthony Rivier and the Orphanage Project.

On behalf of the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary, a gift will be donated to the Anne Marie House.

Small tokens of appreciation will be handed out to the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary by members of the Student Government Association.

(continued on the next page)



Tuesday, October 30th
THE POWER OF ART
DION RECEPTION ROOM, 11:45 am
Presenter: Phyllis Kornfeld.

Ms. Kornfeld obtained a B.A. in Art Education from the University of Texas and later an M.A. in Arts Education from Oklahoma University. Her publication, *Cell Block Visions: Prison Art in America* not only delivers some of the most inventive and gripping examples of outsider art, but also offers an unprecedented account of prison art in particular as a subject worthy of serious consideration. The exhibition of Cellblock Visions has been presented all over North America including Acadia University Art Gallery in Nova Scotia and at Brenau University, Gainesville, GA.



Tuesday, November 27th
MUSIC AS THERAPY
DION RECEPTION ROOM, 11:45 am
Presenter: Shannon Laine

Ms. Laine established a music therapy program at the Manchester Community Music School in Manchester, NH ~ the first of its kind in the state. She is a Board Certified Music Therapist who received a Bachelor of Music in Music Therapy from Anna Maria College in Worcester, Mass. and an advanced certification in Neurologic Music Therapy. Shannon worked with students with special needs, specifically on the Autism spectrum. Shannon is an accomplished violinist and also plays piano, guitar, and sings.



(continued on the next page)

Tuesday, February 26th

**WRITING AND RELATIONSHIPS:
MOTHERS AND DAUGHTERS
DION RECEPTION ROOM, 11:45am**

Dr. Virginia Ryan is a visiting assistant professor at the College of the Holy Cross for the 2012-13 academic year and was a professor here at Rivier University from 1999 to 2012. Ginny holds a B.A. from Boston College, a M.A. from Assumption College, a M. Div from Andover Newton Theological School, and a Ph.D. from Boston College. In May of 2012, she traveled with her daughter, Annie Castronovo, a senior at Saint Michael's College, to Uganda to assist Annie in completing her research and interviews with people living with AIDS in northern Uganda. Ginny will share pictures and stories of her time in Uganda with Annie. Having to rely on Annie's experience and knowledge was an interesting and challenging experience for both mother and daughter. Role reversal is never easy!



Tuesday, February 26th

**WRITING AND RELATIONSHIPS:
MOTHERS AND DAUGHTERS
DION RECEPTION ROOM, 11:45am**

Pamela Graesser, M.Ed., LCMHC, is the Director of Counseling Services at Rivier University; she joined the staff in 1992 and; she holds a B.A. from Keene State College and A Master's in Counseling Psychology from Antioch New England University. She serves on the Emergency Operations Committee, The Behavioral Assessment Team, and is the Co-Chair of the Rivier Task Force on Alcohol, Tobacco and other Drugs. Pam will share excerpts from her blog detailing her and her mother's journey in living with Alzheimer's.



(continued on the next page)



Friday, April 12th
CELEBRATING WOMEN LUNCHEON
DION RECEPTION ROOM, 11:15 am

Hosted by the Women Studies Committee and the Student Government Association honoring our Special Guests, Dr. Marjorie Marcoux Faïa and the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary.

Program

- ◊ Lunch
- ◊ The Women Studies Program: Past, Present, & Future
- ◊ Awarding of the Yvonne Greenleaf '64/'89 G Memorial Scholarship
- ◊ Presentation of the Gift to Nino Anthony Rivier and the Orphanage Project
- ◊ Presentation of the Gift to Anne Marie House
- ◊ Presentation of Gifts to the Sisters of Rivier



Women's Studies Committee Members

Susan Barbaro, Chair
Sally Booth
Sally Hirsh-Dickinson
Marjorie Faïa
Chloe Landon
Sheli Petersen
Christina Proulx
Paula Randazza
Naomi Schoenfeld
Mary Jane Silvia
Paula Williams
Elizabethada Wright

* **SUSAN E. BARBARO**, Ph.D., obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree from Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, and Master of Science and Doctorate from the University of Waterloo, Ontario. Her desire to understand and protect the environment has always played an important role in determining Susan's research interests. In particular, she is interested in the microbial ecology of fresh water and soil ecosystems. Susan has studied and conducted research related to microbial physiology, biological control, and bioremediation. She joined the faculty at Rivier College in 2003. Dr. Barbaro is an Associate Professor of Biology.