

COLLEGE NINE, COLLEGE TEN & OAKES COLLEGE PRESENT

6TH ANNUAL

# PRACTICAL ACTIVISM 2008

TOOLS FOR LOCAL & GLOBAL CHANGE

SATURDAY \* OCTOBER 25

COLLEGES NINE & TEN MULTIPURPOSE ROOM, UCSC



A DAY OF INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS

# WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

Choose one workshop in each block:

BLOCK ONE: 1:00PM - 2:15PM

## **Targeted Youth: Criminalization Within the Education System** **Namaste Lounge**

In this workshop, guest speaker Antwi Akom will discuss the relationship between race and criminalization within the public education system, exploring how the prison industrial complex infiltrates public schools, and the ways in which specific communities are affected.

## **Think Affordably, Act Sustainably** **SSII Room 71**

Can sustainability be affordable? UC Berkeley professor Chris Bacon will help us examine how short-term choices can help us act to increase sustainability while thinking in terms of affordability. Community Agroecology Network Internship Coordinators from Central America will discuss sustainability and our influence on global communities.

## **Protection for Our Captive Daughters: Sex Trafficking** **SSII Room 75**

How much do you know about sex trafficking? Mollie Ring, Outreach Worker with the SAGE Project (Standing Against Global Exploitation) will explain what sex trafficking is, how it's implemented, the health effects that result from the existence of this system, and what we can do about it.

## **Mixed Diagnosis: Mixed Ethnicity and Medical Issues** **Café Revolución**

Learn more about how individuals' racial backgrounds affect the health care they receive. This workshop will focus on the complexities posed by social constructions that exist for individuals of mixed race.

## **Your Voice, Your Vote!** **SSI Room 110**

This workshop will help us to understand the voting process at the citywide, statewide, and national levels. Take a quiz to test your knowledge of voting and hear Santa Cruz Mayor, Ryan Coonerty and a Santa Cruz County Clerk & Elections affiliate discuss the importance behind your vote.

BLOCK TWO: 2:25PM - 3:40PM

## **Student Rights and Activism At UCSC** **SSII Room 71**

This workshop will inform you of your rights and equip you with the tools necessary to efficiently implement change. See a panel of notable UCSC students, alumni, administration, and faculty come together to analyze past protests and discuss other techniques to ensure success in future demonstrations.

## **Marriage Equality** **Namaste Lounge**

Come learn more about the California Supreme Court's recent ruling to legally recognize same sex marriages as well as the current ballot measure to limit constitutional rights in this state. We'll discuss the impact on people's daily lives, including the interface with immigration.

## **Power to the Pavement! Taking Art Activism to the Streets** **SSI Room 110**

Come learn how the Street Art movement uses graffiti and other media to convey controversial political messages all over the world. Jennifer Gonzalez, History of Art & Visual Culture professor at UCSC, will give us an inside look into this creative movement.

## **Environmental Racism** **SSII Room 75**

Guest speakers Paul Lubeck and Amy Lonetree will help us to understand the devastating effects of Environmental Racism here and abroad, focusing on the harm done by the oil industry to populations in Nigeria, and the issues challenging native populations in the United States.

## **Iraq: What The Media Isn't Telling You** **Café Revolución**

Mainstream US media coverage on the War in Iraq differs greatly from the rest of the world's coverage. Dennis Bernstein, investigative reporter and human rights advocate, will shed light on this pressing issue by discussing what the media shows to the public and what they don't.

# SCHEDULE OF THE DAY

**10:45-12:00** Colleges Nine & Ten Multipurpose Room  
Registration, Refreshments, Tabling, Creative Activist Opportunities

**12:00-12:50** Colleges Nine & Ten Multipurpose Room  
Opening Session, Keynote Speaker Boots Riley

**1:00-2:15** Choose one of the five workshops from each block  
First Session of Concurrent Workshops

**2:25-3:40** Choose one of the five workshops from each block  
Second Session of Concurrent Workshops

**3:30-5:00** Colleges Nine & Ten Multipurpose Room  
Tabling, Refreshments, Spoken Word, Creative Activist Opportunities

## Art Show, Displays & Tables

The Activist Art Show displays the work of UCSC students who express activism through their creativity. Come see social justice through paintings and photographs! (Café Revolución, 3:30-5:00pm)

Also, check out the various displays and groups tabling at the conference! Community Agroecology Network, Election Issues, Protests at the Democratic National Convention and lots of inspiring organizations and groups! (MPR)

## UCSC Farm Cart

Be a conscious consumer! Our very own UCSC Farm will be providing freshly harvested, organically grown seasonal fruits and vegetables, as well as flower bouquets! (3:30-5:00)



## KEYNOTE SPEAKER **BOOTS RILEY**

Boots Riley is a co-founder of the world-renowned, politically radical hip hop group The Coup and has been an integral part of the progressive struggle for radical change through culture. He has served on the central committee for the Progressive Labor Party, organized to build California's Anti-Racist Farm Workers' Union as well as serving as leader of the International Committee Against Racism.

## ACTIVIST AND OTHER OPPORTUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE DAY

### 10:45AM-11:45AM & 3:30PM-5:00PM **Button Making**

Design a button to express the importance of a social justice issue close to your heart. Supplies will be provided throughout the day.

### **Scribble Wall**

Voice yourself! Express your thoughts on various social justice issues or your experience at the Practical Activism Conference on a scribble wall outside the MPR.

### **El Intercambio: Bridging Global Communities**

Come meet representatives of community-based organizations from Central America and Mexico visiting as part of the Community Agroecology Network (CAN). CAN supports alternative forms of development by building bridges between cultures and supporting actions for social change.

### **Music Listening & Lyric Awareness Station**

Listen to a sampling of music reflecting social justice issues and activism. Names of artists, songs, and play lists will be available. Also become more conscious about the lyrical content of popular songs.

### **2:15PM-6:00PM**

#### **Blood Drive and Bone Marrow Registry**

Make a difference in someone's life: give blood and/or sign up for the bone marrow registry today! (See back for more info.) Also, we will also be sending postcards to our state government and the FDA asking for a change to the discriminatory policy of not allowing gay men to give blood. (Recreation Lounge)

### **3:30PM-5:00PM**

#### **Seed Potting and Organics Display**

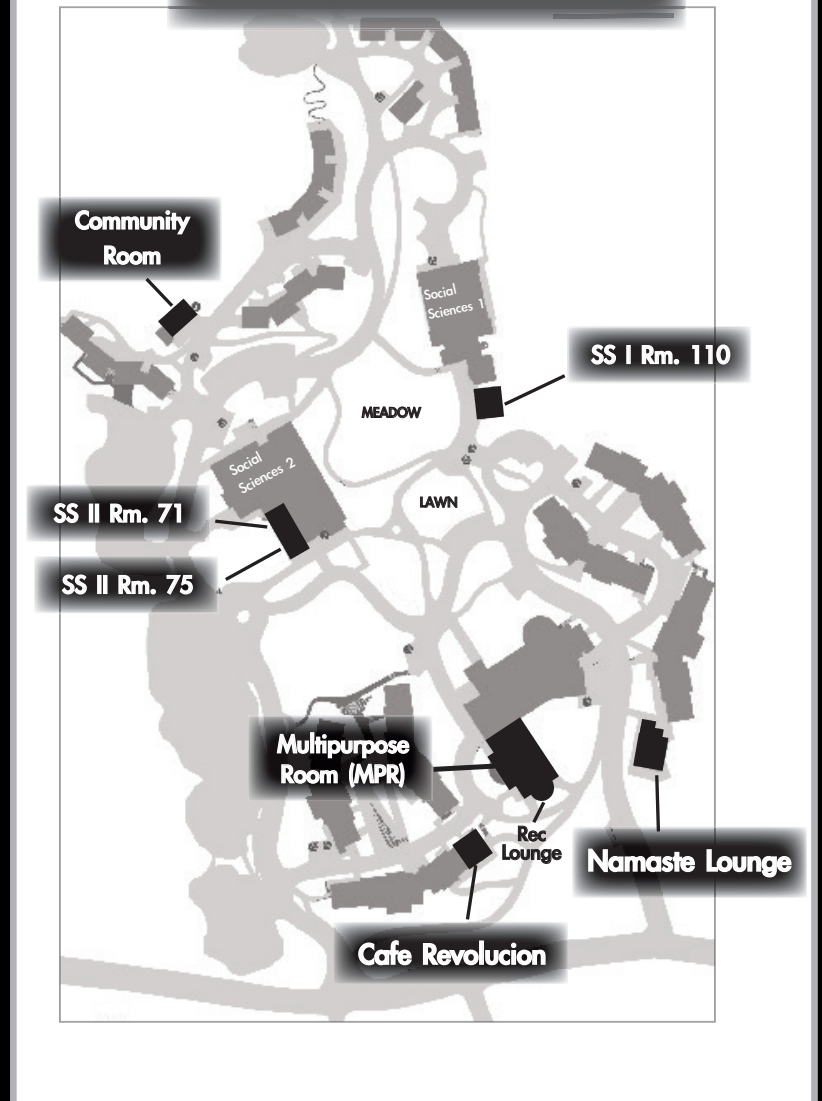
Plant your own organic seeds and seedlings! Take a step toward making the earth a bit greener and learn about the importance of knowing the sources of your food.

#### **Stenciling**

Social Justice and DIY activism! Learn to create social justice inspired stencils and transfer your design onto patches. Also feel free to supply your own transfer surface, like t-shirts, bags, bandanas, etc.

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## PRACTICAL ACTIVISM 2008 MAP OF WORKSHOP LOCATIONS



VISIT US ONLINE AT: [HTTP://ACTIVISM.UCSC.EDU](http://activism.ucsc.edu)

## BLOOD DRIVE & BONE MARROW REGISTRY

### Did you know?

About every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood AND every year, more than 10,000 Americans get life-threatening diseases that can only be cured with a bone marrow transplant from an unrelated donor.

During the second half of the conference, the Stanford Blood Center will be holding a blood drive and bone marrow registry in the same building as the MPR. If you are unsure about either one of these programs, come down and learn more about it.

Come join the action!

[http://www.marrows.org/NEWS/MEDIA/Facts\\_and\\_Figures/facts\\_figures.pdf](http://www.marrows.org/NEWS/MEDIA/Facts_and_Figures/facts_figures.pdf)

## SUSTAINABILITY

In our ongoing efforts toward making the Practical Activism Conference a more sustainable event, we have partnered with Dining Services to use compostable plates, cups, and utensils to reduce the waste produced by paper items. Additionally, we have partnered with Recycling Operations to compost all of the food waste and other compostable items produced by the conference.

## COMMUNITY AGROECOLOGY NETWORK

Community Agroecology Network (CAN) has partnered with Practical Activism all six years of our history. CAN is an international network committed to sustaining livelihoods and environments through action education, participatory research, and alternative trade.  
[www.communityagroecology.net](http://www.communityagroecology.net)