

The Farmingdale State College Social Science Research Institute



# SOCIAL JUSTICE AND DIVERSITY SUMMIT 2013

Saturday, April 20, 2013 ■ 9 AM — 4 PM ■ Roosevelt Hall

Farmingdale State College's first Social Justice and Diversity Summit is funded by an *Explorations in Diversity and Academic Excellence Grant* awarded by SUNY's Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.

Faculty, students, student organizations, staff, the local community, nongovernmental social justice organizations, and local government officials are encouraged to attend.

Workshops will combine cutting-edge research on the persistence of inequalities such as: racism, educational inequalities, environmental justice, gender inequality, disability rights, and LGBT issues with information on getting involved in local non-profit organizations aimed at addressing these quagmires.

The primary objectives of the conference are to: disseminate information about pressing social issues and to foster social change through civic engagement. A goal is to engage participants in meaningful dialogue about how concerned citizens on Long Island, in New York, and in the United States can work towards achieving equality, social justice, and equal access to vital resources regardless of race, ethnicity, class, age, religion, gender, disability, and/or sexual orientation.

Farmingdale State College and the State University of New York are committed to fostering a culture of equality, one that celebrates multiculturalism and stands for equality.

## Keynote Address: **Jonathan Kozol**

Jonathan Kozol has devoted nearly his entire life to the challenge of providing equal opportunity within our public schools to every child, of whatever racial origin or economic level. Jonathan is, at the present time, the most widely read and highly honored education writer in America. Kozol is the author of numerous award winning books including: *Death at an Early Age*, *Rachel and Her Children*, *Savage Inequalities*, *Amazing Grace: The Lives of Children and the Conscience of a Nation*, *The Shame of the Nation*, and *Fire in the Ashes: Twenty-Five Years Among the Poorest Children in America*.

Participating Organizations: Erase Racism, Alliance for Quality Education, American Civil Liberties Union, Sierra Club, LGBT Network, Sustainable Long Island, Human Rights Campaign, Civic Engagement Table, Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Planned Parenthood, Coalition for Disabled Musicians, and many more.

**This free conference is open to the public.  
For more information and to register, please visit:**

**[www.farmingdale.edu/sjds](http://www.farmingdale.edu/sjds)**

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***Other Speakers Include***  
**Environmental Justice:**  
**Kishi Animashaun Ducre**

**Racial Inequalities:**  
**V. Elaine Gross**

**Gender Inequalities:**  
**Stacey Scarpone**

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