KEYNOTE AND PLENARY

Morning Plenary: 9:30-10:45
Alex Ojeda and Michael Romero
"Planting Seeds of Resistance: Critical Mentorship As a Social Justice Movements" Introduction: Jose Paez

Alex Ojeda, Director of CSUN MOSAIC and Mike Romero, former MOSAIC mentee, outline key characteristics of the mentor/mentee relationship that create the power to transform current academic realities through a social justice lens.

Art Workshop: 2:00-3:15
Dalila Paola Mendez
"Artivism and Ancestors" Introduction: Pavithra Prasad

Participants will create their own mandala that examines ancestral stories, family, social justice, community and ways we care for ourselves and the earth.

Closing keynote: 3:30-4:30
Dr. David Stovall
"The Inevitability of the Fight: Working, Building, and Planning in Struggle" Introduction: Tracy Buenavista

Stovall’s address puts the current social, political, and economic moment in the context of a series of planned distractions. Instead of focusing on the volatility of antics of the current presidential administration, where distractions are operationalized to spark paranoia, Stovall addresses the need for an unfiltered, thoughtful and organized commitment to struggle.

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PRESENTERS

SOCIAL JUSTICE STUDENT RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM 2019

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

8:30-9:00 Check-in, coffee & bagels Artwork by MOSAIC students available all day for silent auction

9:00-9:30 Welcome
Dr. Kathryn Sorrells
Dr. William Watkins

9:30-10:45 Morning Plenary

11:00-12:00 Student Research Panel I

12:00-12:30 Lunch
MOSAIC research posters on display

12:30-1:45 Student Research Panel II

2:00-3:15 Art Workshop

3:30-4:30 Closing keynote
**STUDENT RESEARCH PANEL I**  
11:00 - 12:00

**Session 1 Room A**

*Invisible Ink: Tattooed Asian American Women and their Experiences*
Presenter: Amelia Wallace, Asian American Studies, Gender and Women's Studies

*Children in the Classroom Syllabus Policies: Motherhood Receptiveness, Lactation Accommodation, and Sense of Belonging in Higher Education*
Presenter: Cindy N. Phu, ELPS

*I'm Not A Terrorist & Neither Are My Friends*
Presenter: Ishrat Jahalara Quazi, Broadcast Journalism, Theatre (Acting and Directing)

Moderator: Susan Fitzpatrick-Behrens, History

**Session 2 Room B**

*You Can’t Teach *Them* That: Transfer, Multi-Modality, and an Interrogation of Nuts and Bolts Writing Instruction*
Presenter: Jessica Stewart, English Literature

*Empowering Disadvantaged Youth by Sharing Our Stories*
Presenters: Abraham Baexa and Jose Miramontes, ELPS, Criminology, Chicano/a Studies

"Educating to Empower: Challenging Elitism in Academia."
Presenter: Colette Meade, English Rhetoric & Composition

Moderator: Daniel Olmos, Sociology

**Session 3 Room C**

*Why Should I Bother Having a Mentor? Exploring the Critical Pedagogy of Mentoring to Overcome Struggles and Inspire Courage, MOSAIC*
Presenters: Monica Montoya and David Contreras, MSW

*Veloquias: A Performance of Death Rituals Within Inner City Gangs*
Presenter: Fernando Martinez, Communication Studies

*Human Exploitation and the Undocumented Experience in the US*
Presenter: Cassidy Morgan, Communication Studies

Moderator: Kelly de Leon, Chicano/a Studies

**STUDENT RESEARCH PANEL II**  
12:30 - 1:45

**Session 1 Room A**

*Excerpts from ‘Breach’*
Presenters: Performance Ensemble: Creatives for Social Change, Communication Studies

*A Qualitative Analysis Using Decolonial and Portraiture Methodology to Understand the Experiences of Master of Social Work Educators Challenging Coloniality and Re-Imagining Social Work Education*
Presenter: José Miguel Paez, ELPS

*Decolonized MSW Education: Where Do We Stand?*
Presenter: Sarah Kimbrough, MSW

*Art Blocked: The Disproportionate Representation of Deaf Artists of Color*
Presenter: Maritza Alexander, Deaf Studies

Moderator: Vicki M. Allen, Matador Involvement Center

**Session 2 Room B**

*Through the Eyes of Deaf Refugee and Immigrants*
Presenters: Hala and Hadel Somo, Deaf Studies

*Cruel Optimism for the Activist*
Presenter: Britney Harvey, Deaf Studies

*Black d/Deaf In(Visibility) in Higher Education*
Presenter: Ashlee McHenry, ELPS, Higher Education

*The System of Privilege and its Impact on the Deaf Experience*
Presenter: Raycie Peterson, Deaf Studies

Moderator: Lissa Stapleton, Deaf Studies

**Session 3 Room C**

*#NOonEOs: Organizing 101*
Presenters: Azaneth Martinez, Rocío Rivera-Murillo, Kimberly Tobar, and Danielle Medina, Chicana/o Studies

*We Been Knew: Exploring the Politics of Knowledge*
Presenters: Manuel Escamilla, Rosa Hernandez, Harla Roman, Sociology/Chicano/a Studies

*Self-Liberation: From Student to Teacher Through Transformational Resistance*
Presenter: Laloni Bradford, Biology and Deaf Studies

Moderator: Diego Paniagua, Chicano/a Studies