

# CO-LEADS STUDENT SUMMIT

COLORADO LEADERSHIP FOR EQUITY, ADVOCACY, AND DISCOVERING SOCIAL JUSTICE



"CHANGE THE WAY YOU LOOK AT THINGS  
AND THE LOOK OF THINGS WILL CHANGE"

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH, 2009

9AM - 4PM

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DENVER 

## SCHEDULE

8:30 am	Check-In
9:00 am	Welcome
10:10 am	Workshop I
11:10 am	Workshop II
12:00 pm	Lunch, Entertainment, and Expo of Community Resources
1:30 pm	Workshop III
2:30 pm	Action Planning and Closing

*Welcome to the Inaugural CO-LEADS Student Summit. This event began as a collaborative effort to bring the concepts of EQUITY, ADVOCACY, AND SOCIAL JUSTICE to all the colleges throughout Colorado. We hope to make this an annual event and thank you for your commitment to attend the conference today!*

*-Conference Planning Committee*

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## **KEYNOTE PRESENTER**



**Karen M. Nakandakare**

Karen Nakandakare is a senior diversity professional with CH2M HILL, a global project-delivery company. Nakandakare has a rich background with a variety of for-profit, nonprofit and governmental organizations; providing mediation, problem solving, communications and team building.

Prior to joining CH2M HILL in 2005, Nakandakare provided consulting services to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Gill Foundation, Colorado Department of Transportation, and the International Multicultural Institute, among others. She was appointed by Denver Mayor John Hickenlooper to serve on the Police Reform Task Force, the City's Police Department Racial Profiling Task Force, and Infrastructure Priorities Task Force – Executive Committee. Nakandakare is a member of the International Multicultural Institute and has served on a variety of boards for organizations such as the Asian Chamber of Commerce, American Civil Liberties Union, Latin American Research and Service Agency, and the Asian Pacific Development Center. Karen served as a commissioner and chair of the Lakewood Commission on Cultural Diversity and Human Relations which recommended the name change of Commission on Inclusivity.

She received the Asian Pacific American Bar Association Minoru Yasui Community Award, the Hammer Award from Vice President Al Gore and the Professional Woman of the Year from the Denver Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce. In November 2008, Karen was selected as Denver's 150 Unsung Heroes. In 2009, she received the Community Leader Award in honor of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration of Humanity event at Red Rocks Community College.

Her academic background includes a Master's Degree in nonprofit management from Regis University and a Bachelor's of Arts in Communications with honors from the University of Colorado with emphasis in meditation/negotiations.

## **WORKSHOP I 10:10-11:00AM**

### **Community Engagement workshop – King Center 203**

#### ***Becoming a Community Connection***

Being a member in the community and being a leader in the community is not a role everyone chooses to undertake. For those who do choose that career path, their lives are filled with personal connections and incredible memories. Working with the community takes compassion, skill and a strong desire to serve, and this is the story of one community activist.

### **Intersection of Identity Workshop – King Center 213**

#### ***College Male Identity Development, Performance, and the Implications for Campus Environments***

Will Chapman, University of Denver

Let's have a dialogue and explore the applications for social justice and ally development in male identity development. You will challenge gender normatives as a stepping stone to understanding other issues of privilege and power.

### **Privilege workshop – King Center 215**

#### ***True Ally Development: Working towards inclusion through acknowledging personal privilege***

Michele Richey, University of Colorado at Boulder

The goal of this workshop is to lead participants in the first step of being an ally: being educated about your personal reality. Increasing your knowledge of systems of power/privilege and you will develop action plans on being an ally.

### **Privilege workshop – King Center 218**

#### ***\*\*An Introduction to Issues of Privilege***

Eugene Walls, University of Denver

This workshop will introduce the concept of privilege, identify which groups have more economic, political, and cultural power and privilege in the current historical U.S. context, and engage participants in identifying what privilege looks like in everyday life.

*\*\*This is a common session. Participants should attend one of the three offerings of this workshop during the day.*

## **WORKSHOP II 11:10-12:00**

### **Community Engagement workshop – King Center 215**

#### ***Miss-Communication: Silence in the mist of self-interrogation***

Justin Merow, Metropolitan State College of Denver

This discussion will help participants find their balance of power in the midst of living with the larger population attempting to balance its own. A central theme will be the apparent hypocritical reality one faces with leaving one's past, or even leaving the implications of the title one claims. Racial, political, religious, sexual (gender) implications will be discussed along with assessment.

### **Intersections of Identity workshop – King Center 203**

#### ***Culture Sculptures***

Tamara Johnson, Community College of Denver

What does culture mean? What cultures or communities do you belong to? Let's discuss your cultures and develop a culture sculpture to share with the group.

### **Intersections of Identity workshop – King Center 213**

#### ***Exploring our multidimensional identities through the art of storytelling***

Koreña Montoya, Denver Transfer Initiative

Stephanie Colunga Montoya, University of Colorado at Denver

We each have unique life experiences to share! Come prepared to explore your identities and share your story with others. We will take this experience and make real connections with one another.

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## **WORKSHOP III 1:30-2:20PM**

### **Community Engagement workshop – King Center 203**

#### ***Restorative Justice: Building Community***

Jacoba Rock, University of Denver

This interactive presentation explores restorative justice as a form of community conflict management, including the philosophies, standards, benefits, and barriers of implementation. Information will be given on the CU-Boulder Restorative Justice program, one of the original campus-based programs, and how similar models can be applied in other campus communities.

### **Intersection of Identity workshop – King Center 213**

#### ***One Life, Many Faces: A Journey Into Identity Exploration***

Emily Pack and Marisa Ligons, University of Denver

Let's dialogue and explore your multiple identities and discuss how these identities are developed. We will introduce resources that can aid students in further development and help them understand the identities of others.

### **Privilege workshop – King Center 215**

#### ***Fashion, Stuff, & Global Privilege***

Michelle and Ramon Gabrieloff-Parish

How is our identity defined by our fashion and our stuff? What does this have to do with global social inequality, environmental distress, community fracturing, and falling happiness? How do our things and our fashions symbolize our privileges? What space do these privileges take up globally and environmentally? Let's Explore!

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## LUNCH ENTERTAINMENT:

### '''iZCALLi!!!'''

It has not taken long for iZCALLi to become one of the most successful bands in the Rock en Español scene in Denver. Brenda Avina (Bass), Alejandro Gonzalez (Drums) and Miguel Avina (Vox and Guitar) are the epitome of a power trio that combines their passion for music to create something truly unique, bringing a breath of fresh air to rock fans everywhere. IZCALLi kept a high profile for years opening concerts for Enanitos Verdes, Jaguares, Hombres G, Reik and many others, receiving a special guest invitation to perform at Escandalo de Verano at InvescoFeld alongside Ivy Queen and AB Quintanilla and the Kumbia All-stars. IZCALLi has had an excellent year, preparing for the release of their second independent album *Despiertameon* November 28<sup>th</sup> 2009. With their relentless work ethic and love for music iZCALLi will continue to strengthen its roots and make a mark in the history of rock.

### **Confucius Institute**

The Community College of Denver Confucius Institute (CCDCI) is a non-profit public institute established in collaboration with Chongqing Three Gorges University in China under the sponsorship of the China National Office of Chinese Language Council International. CCDCI is part of an international network of Confucius Institutes dedicated to promoting the understanding of Chinese language and culture, supporting local Chinese language education, and enhancing intercultural and economic exchange between China and the world. For more information please call 303-556-8410 or email [dir.ccdci@ccd.edu](mailto:dir.ccdci@ccd.edu)

## **EXPO CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

### **Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation**

[www.denverleadership.org](http://www.denverleadership.org)

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### **Mile High United Way Emerging Leaders Council**

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### **Stand Up for Kids**

[www.standupforkids.org](http://www.standupforkids.org)

303 641-7921



## **CLOSING SESSION AND ACTION PLANNING**

### ***Tai Chi***

#### **James Boyce, Community College of Denver**

James Boyce is currently a CCD student pursuing a degree in music with an emphasis on performance. As a part of the Auraria community, he volunteers on campus as an Orientation Leader for Student Life, Violence Prevention Educator for The Phoenix Center at Auraria, and as a stand-in instructor for Saturday morning Tai Chi for the Healthy Moves program. He enjoys taking time to meet the needs of others while investing in his own future in music.

NOTES:



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### **Community College of Denver Student Life**

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### **Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Student Services at Auraria**

Tivoli 213  
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### **Metro State Alumni Relations**

1059 9<sup>th</sup> Street Park  
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### **Metro State Student Activities**

Tivoli 305  
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### **Phoenix Center at Auraria**

Tivoli 259  
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### **University of Colorado Denver Educational Opportunities**

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### **University of Denver Center for Multicultural Excellence**

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