

CSUCI Hosts Author Nina Revoyr For Campus Reading Celebration Nov. 12

Camarillo, Calif., Nov. 10, 2008 - California State University Channel Islands will present its fifth annual Campus Reading Celebration featuring Nina Revoyr, author of "Southland" at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 12. Doors open for this event at 6 p.m. The event will be held in Salon A. A book-signing will follow Revoyr's presentation.

Reservations are required for this event and can be made online at: <u>http://library.csuci.edu/</u> <u>celebration/2008/register.php</u>. Admission for CSUCI students, faculty, and staff is free. The cost to attend the event is \$10 for community members and \$5 for non-CSUCI students.

Limited parking is available on campus and is complimentary. Follow signs to designated event parking areas. Free parking is available at the Camarillo Metrolink Station /Lewis Road parking lot in Camarillo with complimentary shuttle service to and from the campus. Riders should board the CSUCI VISTA Bus. Buses arrive and depart from the Camarillo Metrolink Station every 30 minutes from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday. For exact times, check the schedule at <u>www.goventura.org</u>.

This year's Campus Reading Celebration book spans three generations where Revoyr uses the murder of four boys during the 1965 Watts riot as the pivot point for a moving, sometimes harrowing exploration of race relations among black, Japanese, and white residents of L.A. The Campus Reading Celebration provides an annual opportunity for the campus community and public to share in a common intellectual experience.

Revoyr was born in Japan to a Japanese mother and a white American father, and grew up in Tokyo, Wisconsin, and Los Angeles. In addition to Southland, a Los Angeles Times bestseller and "Best Book of 2003," she is the author of The Necessary Hunger, and The Age of Dreaming. Revoyr has been an Associate Faculty member at Antioch University, a Visiting Professor at Cornell University, and the Remsen Bird Visiting Writer at Occidental College. She has also worked for more than a decade in the fields of child welfare and public education.

The event is sponsored by the University's Instructionally Related Activities Fund and by Associated Students Inc.

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