



## CSUCI Hosts Author Jared Diamond For Campus Reading Celebration Nov. 14

Camarillo, Calif., Nov. 7, 2007-California State University Channel Islands will present its annual Campus Reading Celebration featuring Jared Diamond, author of "Guns, Germs, and Steel" at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 14. Note: doors open for this event at 6 p.m. The event will be held in Salon A on the CSUCI campus. A book-signing will follow Diamond's presentation.

Reservations are required for this event, and can be made online at <http://www.library.csuci.edu/celebration/2007/register.php>. Reservations also may be made by calling 805-437-8598. Admission for CSUCI students, faculty, and staff is free, but reservations are required. 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 \$6 for a daily permit. Free parking is available at the Camarillo Metrolink Station/Lewis Road parking lot in Camarillo with free shuttle service to and from the campus until 10 p.m. Riders should board the CSUCI Vista bus. There will be way-finding signage on campus directing attendees to parking and the event.

This year's Campus Reading Celebration book is Diamond's Pulitzer Prize winning "Guns, Germs, and Steel." A national bestseller, "Guns, Germs, and Steel" details a global account of the rise of civilization that is also a stunning refutation of ideas of human development based on race. The Campus Reading Celebration provides an annual opportunity for the campus community and public to share in a common intellectual experience.

Diamond, professor of geography at the University of California, Los Angeles, also is the author of the best-selling and award-winning "The Third Chimpanzee" and "Collapse." He has published more than 200 articles in various magazines and journals.

The University's Foundation along with support from the University's Instructionally Related Activities Fund provided funding to give copies of the book to new and continuing CSUCI students free of charge.

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