10th Annual Cesar Chavez Convocation

Keynote Speaker DOLORES HUERTA
Human Rights and Feminist Activist/Co-founder of United Farm Workers

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With over 50 years of community organization and social activism experience, Dolores Huerta will inspire yet another community at the 10th Annual Cesar Chavez Convocation at the University of California, Santa Cruz. Huerta, co-founder of United Farm Workers and recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom, will be the Keynote Speaker at the Convocation that will be held on Tuesday, May 7, 2013 at the College Nine and Ten Multipurpose Room. Doors Open at 6:30 PM and the Program starts at 7:30 PM. Tickets are required, call 831.459.2427 for ticket locations.

Huerta has played a major role in the American civil rights movement. She co-founded the National Farm Workers Association, which would later become United Farm Workers (UFW), with César Chávez in 1962. In 2012, she was inducted into the U.S. Department of Labor Hall of Honor and President Obama awarded her the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor and this past March she was inducted into the California Hall of Fame.

A founding board member of the Feminist Majority Foundation, Huerta also serves on the board of Ms. Magazine. She has received numerous awards including the Eleanor Roosevelt Human Rights Award from President Clinton ’98, Ms. Magazine’s one of the three most important women of ’97, Ladies Home Journal’s 100 most important woman of the 20th Century, Puffin foundation award for Creative Citizenship Labor Leader Award 1984, Kern County’s woman of the year by the California State legislature, the Ohtli award from the Mexican Government, and Smithsonian Institution - James Smithson Award. This past year she was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Obama, and in March she was inducted into the California Hall of Fame. She is a former UC Regent and has earned eleven honorary doctorates from Universities throughout the United States.

Huerta is the president of the Dolores Huerta Foundation where she continues her work as an advocate for women’s rights, and reproductive freedom. She continues working to develop community leaders, for working poor, immigrants, women and youth. Huerta is a tireless participant on organizational forums and programs that focus on issues of social justice and public policy.

Dolores was our inaugural (first) Convocation Speaker, and it is especially fitting that she returns for the celebration of our 10th Anniversary. She brings us full circle on an important event for the University of California, Santa Cruz campus.

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