

First Lady to speak at Jan. 26 dedication of UCSD's Eleanor Roosevelt College

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First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton will visit the University of California, San Diego Jan. 26 to give the keynote address at the dedication of the university's Eleanor Roosevelt College, which was formally named by the UC Regents earlier this year for Eleanor Roosevelt.

The dedication will take place from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the main arena of the university's new Recreation/Intramural and Athletics Complex (RIMAC), which is making its public debut with this event. Attendance will be by invitation only.

In addition to Mrs. Clinton, those participating in the Eleanor Roosevelt College Dedication Ceremony will include: James K. Lyon, founding provost of the college; Doris Kearns Goodwin, author of the highly acclaimed 1994 book *No Ordinary Time: The Home Front in World War II*; David B. Roosevelt, grandson of Eleanor Roosevelt; Daniel E. Shaughnessy, president of the United Nations Association of San Diego County; UCSD Chancellor Richard C. Atkinson; and Eleanor Roosevelt College Provost Ann L. Craig.

"We couldn't be more pleased that Mrs. Clinton will be joining us for the dedication of our college," said Provost Craig.

Eleanor Roosevelt College is the newest college at UCSD, which has an undergraduate college system modelled on those of Cambridge and Oxford universities. Founded in 1988 as UCSD's Fifth College and renamed for Eleanor Roosevelt last spring, it is the first of the UCSD colleges to be named in honor of a woman. The college, which currently has approximately 1,700 students, has a distinctive international perspective and a mission to prepare students to understand and function effectively in the global community of the 21st century.

"As First Lady from 1933 to 1945 and for nearly two decades thereafter, Eleanor Roosevelt was recognized worldwide for the strong leadership she provided on some of the most important domestic and international public policy issues of the day. Mrs. Roosevelt epitomizes the college's philosophy and its pioneering, international approach," said Craig. "Her commitment to service in the international arena and her advocacy of global human rights exemplify the ideals of our college."

The ceremony will include the unveiling of a bronze bust of Mrs. Roosevelt by New England sculptor Rose Shechet Miller, which is being donated to the college by the San Diego chapter of the United Nations Association and the Sami and Marie Bandak family.

The Jan. 26 dedication ceremony will include a number of musical performances. Prior to the actual ceremony as guests are taking their seats, UCSD carillonneur Scott Paulson will perform a selection of pieces from the repertoire of contralto Marion Anderson, whose triumphant performance before thousands at the Lincoln Memorial

was arranged by Mrs. Roosevelt as a strong statement against racial discrimination in the 1930s. Music during the dedication ceremony will be provided by the UCSD Gospel Choir and the San Diego Chamber Brass Quintet.

For additional information about Eleanor Roosevelt College and the dedication program, please contact Pablo Bueno Mendoza, Eleanor Roosevelt College, (619) 534-8791. Members of the public wishing to obtain more information about the dedication ceremony may call the Eleanor Roosevelt College Information Line at (619) 534-5651.

Members of the news media wishing to cover the event should register in advance. Prompt registration is recommended as press seating is limited. To register and to receive additional information about press accommodations for the Eleanor Roosevelt College Dedication please contact Dolores Davies, University Communications, (619) 534-5994.

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