

## **Actress Beah Richards will discuss her views on contemporary theatre in a Drama Dept. lecture**

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Actress Beah Richards will discuss her views on contemporary theatre in a lecture at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 3, sponsored by the Drama Department at the University of California, San Diego.

Her talk, "A Black Woman Speaks," will be given in room 1330 of the Humanities and Social Sciences Building on the Muir College campus. It is free and open to the public.

Ms. Richards received an Academy Award nomination for best supporting actress for her portrayal of Sidney Poitier's mother in "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?"

She has also appeared in "Hurry Sundown," "In the Heat of the Night" and "The Great White Hope."

On the New York stage, Ms. Richards has played featured roles in "The Miracle Worker," "Purlie Victorious" and "The Little Foxes." Her television credits include "Room 222," "The Bill Cosby Show," "Ironside" and "Hawaii Five-0."

Currently she is a member of the Inner City Repertory Theatre Company of Los Angeles. She has appeared in the company's productions of "Macbeth" and "A Raisin in the Sun" and in 1971 starred in her own play "One is a Crowd."

Daughter of a minister, Ms. Richards was born and raised in Mississippi. Early in her professional career she studied dancing and also performed in numerous productions at the Old Globe Theatre.

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