President's Peace Commission
Mission Statement

The President's Peace Commission fosters an ethical commitment to participate in the establishment of world peace and social justice. The Commission encourages respect for human rights and dignity of all people. The Commission annually hosts symposia that offer opportunities for students, faculty, and staff to grow in their active pursuit of peace and justice. Through the symposia and other activities, the Commission seeks to build within the St. Mary's community a greater awareness of the Roman Catholic and Marianist perspectives on peace and justice. The President's Peace Commission reflects the University community through student, staff, and faculty representatives appointed by the University President.

Students: Floyd Contreras; Weston Elkins; Ruby Gonzalez; Claudia Salas; Patrick Simeroth; Shivani Singh

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Faculty: Elijah Akahenda, PhD; Diane M. Duesterhoeft; Céline A. Jacquemin, PhD; Richard S. Pressman, PhD

Mark your calendars for the Fall 2005 President's Peace Commission program
Tuesday, October 25 – Thursday, October 27

To receive periodic updates about upcoming President's Peace Commission programs at St. Mary's University, please send an email to: stmuppc-announce-subscribe@yahooogroups.com

For information about our programs, see our web site at http://www.stmarytx.edu/ppc/

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Tuesday, March 15 –
Thursday, March 17, 2005
University Center
Conference Room A
Sexual Dialogue

Sex and gender color our daily interactions with others. Healthy dialogue about sex and sexual issues helps one understand how another views the world we share. Understanding how another views the world is crucial to creating peace on this planet. Since everyone has an opinion on sex, this topic demands conversation.

Tuesday, March 15, 2005: Communication

9:45 AM - 11:00 AM: Healthy Sexual Dialogue
Moderator: Charles Cotrell, PhD, President, St. Mary's University
Charlotte Brauchle, PhD, Counseling, St. Mary's University
Dana Comstock, PhD, Counseling, St. Mary's University

11:10 AM - 12:25 PM: Sex Education
Moderator: Carrie Gaines, President's Peace Commission
Janet Realini, MD, Director, Project Worth, City of San Antonio
David C. Wiley, PhD, FASHA, Health Education, Texas State University-San Marcos

12:35 PM - 1:50 PM: Sex Sells: Media, Marketing, and Money
Moderator: Elijah Akiahenda, President's Peace Commission
Megan Alexander, Co-Host, Great Day SA, KENS-TV

Wednesday, March 16, 2005: Identity & Orientation

9:20 AM - 10:10 AM: Sexual Orientation
Moderator: Migdalia Garcia, President's Peace Commission
Jordan Pazin, PhD, LPC, NCC, Director of Counseling,
Diversity Center of San Antonio; Counseling & Human Services,
St. Mary's University
Rev. Terry Welk, SM, Director, University Ministry, St. Mary's University

10:20 AM - 11:00 AM: Sex versus Gender
Moderator: Patrick Simeroth, President's Peace Commission
Becky R. Davenport, PhD, Counseling, St. Mary's University
Kathleen Maloney, PhD, English, St. Mary's University

11:20 AM - 12:10 PM: Celibacy or Chastity
Moderator: Floyd Contreras, President's Peace Commission
Sr. JoyceAnn Marie Detzel, JD, Novice, Daughters of Mary Immaculate
Rev. John A. Leies, SM, SThD, Theology, St. Mary's University

12:20 PM - 1:10 PM: Heterosexism
Moderator: Prof. Annie L. Hubbard, MAT, Sociology, St. Mary's University
Rev. Stephen E. Austin, MDiv, St. John Catholic Church, Bartlesville, OK,
Diocese of Tulsa
Cay L. Crow, MA, LPC, AASECT-Certified Sex Therapist; columnist,
San Antonio Express-News

Seventh Annual Art of Peace Award
Performance and Presentation
Wednesday, March 16
6:30 PM
Moderator: Bernadette Hamilton-Brady, Director of Theatre,
St. Mary's University
Presenter: Jaclyn Prior, Citizen-Artist-Scholar
Recipient: Paul Bonin-Rodriguez, Citizen-Artist-Scholar;
St. Mary's University alumnus
Performance: Student Orientation Assistants,
St. Mary's University
Reception to follow outside President's Dining Room

Thursday, March 17, 2005: Practical Matters

9:45 AM - 11:00 AM: Sex and the Workplace
Moderator: Bonita K. Roberts, JD, Law, St. Mary's University
Elsa O. Indridson, MA, Director, Human Resources, St. Mary's University
Margaret R. Langford, PhD, Management & Marketing, St. Mary's University

11:10 AM - 12:25 PM: Sex and Violence
Moderator: Shivani Singh, President's Peace Commission
Jane Shafer, Program Coordinator, Victims Advocacy Section & Family Assistance Crisis Team (FACT) Program, San Antonio Police Department
Ric Velasquez, MA, LP, Counselor, M2 Project Manager, Diversity Center of San Antonio

12:35 PM - 1:50 PM: What's So Good about Sex?
Moderator: Grace Keyes, PhD, Sociology, St. Mary's University
Pamela B. Hill, EdD, Psychology, San Antonio College
Randall R. Lyle, PhD, Clinical Director, Family Life Center,
St. Mary's University
Kurt Weber, PhD, Staff Psychologist, Counseling & Testing Center,
St. Mary's University

17th President's Peace Concert: Jazz for Peace
Thursday, March 17th
7:30 PM
Featuring jazz great Cecil Carter
"Peace Piece" by famed jazz composer Bill Evans
Location: Treadaway Recital Hall

One of the Marianists' charisms is respect for human dignity. We encourage all panelists and participants, during these three days of dialogue, to communicate in this spirit of respect for each others' opinions, values, and beliefs. St. Mary's University and the President's Peace Commission appreciate your willingness to share in this spirit in an effort to raise consciousness and awareness.