

Stockton to Screen 'Women in Comedy'

At Kramer Hall on Nov. 10

Watch Free Film, Hear Panel Discussion with Local Comic

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Galloway Township, NJ - Joan Rivers, in an interview a few months before her death, is among the stars of "MAKERS Women in Comedy," a new documentary to be screened at Kramer Hall of The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey on Monday, Nov. 10, 2014.

"Women in Comedy," narrated by Leslie Mann, also covers such comics as Phyllis Diller, Roseanne Barr and Sarah Silverman. The documentary, which premiered on PBS in September, tracks the rise of women in the world of comedy, from the "dangerous" comedy of 1970s sitcoms such as "Maude," to the women of the 1980s American comedy club boom, and building to today's multifaceted landscape. Contemporary comics talk about where women started in this competitive, male-dominated profession, and where they are determined to go.

"Women in Comedy" is one of six entries in the "MAKERS Women In" series. The five other topics include war, space, business, Hollywood, and politics. "MAKERS Women In" will conclude on Tuesday, Nov. 4, with a new episode every Tuesday leading up to the finale.

Local comedian Michelle Tomko will appear as the event's special guest. For 20 years, Tomko has performed at numerous open-mic events, and recently headlined at a two-night show, "I Won Nothing," in Atlantic City. The headline event was awarded to her for winning the Pro Bar Finds A Star competition in Atlantic City. She will answer questions as part of a panel discussion following the screening of the documentary.

The event runs from 12:30-2:30 p.m. and is sponsored by Stockton's Office of Service-Learning and Kramer Hall at 30 Front St., Hammonton.

The public is invited to this free event. Attendees are requested to RSVP at <u>stockton.edu/servicelearning.</u>

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