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BRONCO EXHIBIT GALLERY HOSTS SOCIALLY-CONSCIOUS PROGRAM FOR DARFUR

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Pomona, CA- The Bronco Exhibit Gallery and the ReEntry & WoMen's Resource Center is presenting one of its most attention-demanding programs yet – "Our Walls Bare Witness: The Women and Children of Darfur" – March 1 to March 30. There will be a slideshow program in University Park that will highlight the efforts of the program through photographs taken by various artists. The photographs depict witness images of the genocide currently taking place in Darfur, Sudan. The slideshow will run March 5 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The student-driven program focuses on the effects on women and children caught in the Darfur conflict. Poverty, illness, and the spirit of Black Africans in Sudan are recurring themes of the programs. The images are borrowed from photographers including Ryan Spencer Reed. A photojournalist with GroupM35 photography, Reed chronicled a trip to Darfur, Sudan through a series of photographs that depict everyday life for people in the region.

Ongoing conflict in Darfur has depleted the region of most of its resources. While peacekeeping attempts have been made by various organizations (including Chad and the UN) death, violence, poverty and starvation remains a way of life for people in Darfur. The UN said in a press release that aid in the form of food, medicine and defense has proved difficult to deliver due to continuing violence.

Art Program Manager of the Bronco Exhibit Gallery, Maria-Lisa Flemington, said, "We really jumped on this opportunity to, in some way to help the people of Darfur. It really helps people understand what is going on when they can see it through the eyes of people who were actually there, witnessing these tragedies."

The Bronco Exhibit Gallery and the ReEntry & WoMen's Resource Center have high hopes that the exhibit will inspire students, faculty and staff to get involved in efforts to aid people in Darfur.

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