(Un) Spoken Maine Call for Student Writers

USM Campus Safety Project, USM Theatre Department, Add Verb Productions, and USM Women and Gender Studies are partnering to sponsor (Un) Spoken Maine.

(Un) Spoken Maine is an exceptional opportunity for student writers and actors and the campus community to premiere an original piece created by our own USM students and to foster a meaningful conversation about sexual health, communication, and safety.

(Un) Spoken Maine will culminate in a performance composed of student-written pieces about sexual expression, communication, and safety in Spring 2012 for student orientation at USM. We are currently accepting student-written contributions of all kinds. While you will need to sign a release form allowing us to use your piece if chosen for a performance, your piece will be produced anonymously. Only the faculty coordinators will know who wrote each piece and this information will not be shared with anyone else. You are welcome to write about your own experiences.

You might consider writing about experiences related to:

- healthy relationships
- safer sex
- sexual consent
- relationship violence (physical, verbal, emotional)
- sexuality gender expression
- communication in relationships
- sexual assault
- bystander intervention

We are looking for student-written pieces about issues and experiences relevant to college students. We hope to include different types of pieces (1st person narratives/monologues and two-person scenes) that range from the humorous and light-hearted to the serious and cautionary. If you want to contribute, but would prefer to work in a group environment to write your own piece or collaborate with others on a piece, please contact Meghan Brodie.

By submitting your work, you acknowledge that your piece may be edited for content and performed as a part of the (Un) Spoken Maine project. Please include your name and email address. This information will be kept private and used only to contact you to sign a release form. We will continue to accept submissions on a rolling basis through the Fall 2011.

TO SUBMIT YOUR PIECE, PLEASE complete and email the form below. A fully directed production of selected pieces from (Un) Spoken Maine will premiere in Spring 2012. Auditions for the production will be held in Fall 2011. Writers are welcome to audition, but are in no way obligated to do so.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email Dr. Meghan Brodie or contact Clara Porter, Coordinator of the Campus Safety Project cporter@usm.maine.edu
Thank you for submitting your work for Un/Spoken Maine!

Please fill out this form and email it, along with your written piece (in Word Document form) to: campuussafetyprojectinfo@usm.maine.edu.

Name:

Email Address:

I would like to receive information about upcoming workshops and events related to Un-Spoken Maine: Yes ☐ No ☐

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If you want to contribute, but would prefer to work in a group environment to write your own piece or collaborate with others on a piece, contact Meghan Brodie about joining the ongoing writing group.

Sharing stories around our own history can be difficult.
For confidential support please contact:

Sexual Assault Crisis & Support Line, 1-800-871-7741—www.mecasa.org
24-hour confidential crisis and support line.

Dating and Relationship Abuse, 1-866-834-4357 www.mcedv.org
24-hour confidential crisis and support line for all those affected by relationship abuse

USM Health and Counseling Services, (207)780-4050
Individual and group counseling and support sessions and connections with other services.

USM Interfaith Chaplaincy, (207)228-8093
Interfaith support and assistance

USM Women’s Resource Center, (207)780-4996
Support, advocacy and connections with resources and services

USM Center for Sexualities and Gender Diversity, (207)780-5767
Education, support, & advocacy for the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, Questioning, Queer, & Allied Community at USM