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Feb. 13th. 7:00pm. Ice Auditorium. Dr. Cynthia Enloe, "Have We Already Forgotten Iraqi Women?: Some Feminist Warnings about Post-War American Amnesia."

It's now three years since the last American troops pulled out of Iraq and more than a decade since Americans watched in real time as their government led an invasion of Iraq. What do we remember? What do we forget? Iraqi women didn't disappear when our soldiers left. Paying attention to our own presumptions about Iraqi women and continuing to be alert to Iraqi women's own ideas and efforts will make us smarter both about wars, and about our own involvements in wars.

Feb. 20th. 7:00pm. Ice Auditorium. Dr. Mark Juergensmeyer, "Religion and Violence in a Globalized World."

Dr. Mark Juergensmeyer is Professor of Sociology, Affiliate Professor of Religious Studies and Director of the Orfalea Center for Global and International Studies at the University of California, Santa Barbara. One of the world's leading experts of religion, violence and conflict resolution, Juergensmeyer is perhaps best known for his widely read book, *Terror in the Mind of God: The Rise of Global Religious Violence*, published in 2000 and revised in 2003 in the aftermath of the events of September 11, 2001. Over his career, he has published more than 200 articles and 20 books on the role of religion in various social movements in South Asia, religion and politics the modern globalized world, Gandhi's approach to conflict resolution, and many other topics. Among his many honors and awards, in 2009 Juergensmeyer was elected President of the American Academy of Religion, the most prestigious academic society of scholars of religion in the United States.

Mar. 13th. 7:00pm. Ice Auditorium. Edith Green Lecture, Andrew Bacevich, "The

Limits of Power: The End of American Exceptionalism."

Andrew Bacevich is Professor of International Relations and History at Boston University; he previously taught at Johns Hopkins University and at West Point, where he graduated in 1969. He also holds a Ph.D. in American Diplomatic History from Princeton. With the US Army, he served during the Vietnam War, and has held posts in Germany and the Persian Gulf; he retired, as a Colonel, in the early 1990s. Time calls him "one of the most provocative – as in thought-provoking – national-security writers out there today." His book, *Breach of Trust: How Americans Failed Their Soldiers and Their Country* is a blistering critique of the gulf between America's soldiers and the society that sends them off to war. Contact: Patrick Cottrell at pcottre@linfield.edu.

Mar. 18th. 7:30 - 9:30pm. Austin Reading Room, Nicholson Library. Ericksen Lecture by Dr. Elaine Scarry, "Thinking in an Emergency."

Harvard University social theorist Elaine Scarry will discuss her recent monograph *Thinking in an Emergency*, a study of the assault of democracy and human rights by nuclear war readiness and means of returning civic authority to American citizenry in counterpoint to the so-called Global War on Terror. Contact: Barbara Seidman at bseidma@linfield.edu.

Apr. 1st - Apr. 30th. Linfield Art Gallery. Wafaa Bilal and Nada Shabout Art Exhibition.

Wafaa Bilal is a teacher at the Tisch School of the Arts and an artist known for his *Shoot an Iraqi* exhibit. Bilal makes site specific work and incorporates performance, other actors, video and technology into his elaborate productions. Nada Shabout, professor at the University of North Texas, will also come to speak during Bilal's exhibit.