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**Pioneering Trends in Sexuality Research
Featured in Latest Issue of Online Journal
*Sexuality Research and Social Policy: Journal of NSRC***

Topics Include Sexuality Education, Sexual Vulnerability and Survival Among Mexican Immigrants, Gender Identity Disorders in Childhood, and Sexuality Negotiations in the Santería Religion

(San Francisco, September 27, 2006) The newest trends in sexuality research are highlighted in the new issue of the National Sexuality Research Center's online peer-reviewed journal, *Sexuality Research and Social Policy: Journal of the NSRC (SRSP)*.

The special issue, entitled **New Trends in Sexuality Research: Contributions from Fellows in the Sexuality Research Fellowship Program**, commemorates the end of a ten-year Sexuality Research Fellowship Program, funded by the Ford Foundation, and contains articles written by some of the program's participants. Guest editor Diane di Mauro, who guided the fellowship program since its inception in 1995, chose a range of articles to reflect the future of sexuality research in America.

"The articles appearing in this issue represent the work of a new generation of scholars who address the complexity and contextual nature of human sexuality. Their work signifies a tremendous accomplishment that has considerably strengthened the field of sexuality research in the United States. This includes a more useful dissemination of research that can inform policy decisions regarding important social and sexual health issues," said di Mauro.

Also featured in this issue is "Emotional Scripts of Sex Panics" written by Janice M. Irvine, a professor in the Department of Sociology at the University of Massachusetts, whose latest book is *Talk About Sex: Battle Over Sex Education in the United States*. Dr. Irvine poses the compelling argument that local sex panics over sex education in the schools are not spontaneous eruptions of community outrage, but instead are political events carefully scripted by the right wing to reinforce a conservative sexual morality.

To obtain the complete research study for *Emotional Scripts of Sex Panics* contact Geoffrey Knox at 212-229-0540 or Mona Finston at 212-724-6117.

Dr. Janice Irvine is available to discuss her research.

Guest editor Diane di Mauro has worked over 20 years in the field of human sexuality, specializing in sexuality research and education. She has served as the Program Director of the Sexuality Information and Education Council for the US (SIECUS) and currently serves on the Editorial Board of the *Sexuality Research and Social Policy Journal* of the NSRC. She has authored a number of books and articles including: *Sexuality Research in the United States: An Assessment of the Social and Behavioral Sciences* (1995); *Winning the Battle: Developing Support for Sexuality and HIV Education and*

Communication Strategies for HIV/AIDS and Sexuality: A Workshop for Mental Health and Health Professionals; and co-authored “Global Transformation and Intimate Relations in the 21st Century: Social Science Research on Sexuality and the Emergence of ‘Sexual Health’ and ‘Sexual Rights’ Frameworks” published in the 2004 Annual Review of Sex Research.

Dr. di Mauro is available to discuss this special issue of *Sexuality Research and Social Policy: Journal of NSRC*, which includes:

Emotional Scripts of Sex Panics by Janice Irvine

Sexuality Discussions in *Santería*: A Case Study of Religion and Sexuality Negotiation by Salvador Vidal-Ortiz

Heterosexual Fronteras: Immigrant Mexicanos, Sexual Vulnerabilities, and Survival by Gloria González-Lopez

From the Footnotes to the Headlines: Sterilization Apologies and Their Lessons by Johanna Schoen

Making Gender Identity Disorder of Childhood: Historical Lessons for Contemporary Debates by Karl Bryant

Give-and-Take in Safer Sex Negotiations: The Fluidity of Gender-Based Power Relations by Julie Pulerwitz, Shari L. Dworkin

Full version of articles available. Please contact Ellen Vaz at 212-229-0540 or evaz@geoffreyknox.com.

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The National Sexuality Resource Center gathers and disseminates the latest accurate information and research on sexual health, education, and rights. NSRC initiates constructive dialogues—both online and face-to-face—on sexuality to promote social justice and to improve the quality of life in the United States. <http://nsrc.sfsu.edu>

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