

Former Supermodel to Speak at SWOSU

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Ann Simonton

Former supermodel Ann J. Simonton will talk on “Sex, Power and the Media” November 13 at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford as part of the university’s Panorama series.

Simonton has appeared on the covers of *Sports Illustrated* and *Seventeen* and in the pages of *Vogue*, *Cosmopolitan* and others. She will appear at SWOSU at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center. Admission is free, and the public is invited.

Simonton is the founder and director of MediaWatch, a nonprofit media literacy organization. She has written and produced media literacy videos that are used in schools and universities throughout North America. The goal is to inspire thousands to take a stance against media bias. Simonton has been arrested and jailed 11 times for her courageous, non-violent and often humorous protests.

Her presentation will confront the issues of corporate ownership, gender, violence, and sexual intimacy as well as ask the big questions: What impact do media images have on our life? How does corporate-controlled media influence democracy? Why does our culture eroticize inequality rather than mutuality and respect?

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