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From a human rights and social justice workshop to lectures featuring special guests, Illinois Wesleyan's new programming series 3D: Diversity, Dignity and Dialogue will extend numerous opportunities to the campus community on Thursdays throughout the year.

The 3D series is unique in that it addresses diversity and invites dialogue in ways that emphasize the importance of dignity for all people, according to Brandon Common, director of the Office of Diversity and Inclusion (ODI).

"It places diversity and difference at the center of discourse with the overall goal of addressing these tough issues with the highest regard of dignity for everyone in our community," Common said.

Speakers for fall 3D events will include: Los Angeles-based lawyer, filmmaker and interfaith leader **Valarie Kaur**; producer Anthony Arnone; Illinois Wesleyan Professor of History Mike Weis; and transgender speaker and Chicago-based sportswriter Christina Kahrl. Other events include "Dispelling Myths: America – A Nation of Immigrants," a screening of the film *Cesar Chavez* and presentations for the #IWUWontStandFor campaign.

Campus partners collaborating on the 3D series include: the Center for Human Rights and Social Justice, Office of Residential Life, International Film Series, Counseling and Consultation Services, Office of University Chaplain, student organization IWU Interfaith and ODI. 3D topics will tie in with Illinois Wesleyan's 2014-2015 theme: **Walls and Bridges**, which invites the examination of the relations of power and people.

See [listing of 3D's fall events](#).



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