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Lindenwood University is taking part in Domestic Violence Week Oct. 12 through 16 with a presentation by noted author and anti-violence activist Jackson Katz, Ph.D., and a display of t-shirts made by women who have been victims of violence.

Katz will speak from 7 to 10 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 15, in the Spellmann Center's Anheuse Busch Leadership Room. Admission for the general public is \$10; Lindenwood students with valid ID will be admitted for free.

Katz is one of America's leading anti-sexist male activists.

An educator, author and filmmaker, he is internationally recognized for his groundbreaking work in the field of gender violence prevention education with men and boys, particularly in the sports culture and the military.

He has lectured on hundreds of college and high school campuses and has conducted hundreds of professional trainings, seminars, and workshops in the U.S., Canada, Europe, Australia, and Japan. He is the author of *The Macho Paradox: Why Some Men Hurt Women and How All Men Can Help*, and he blogs on culture and politics on The Huffington Post.

The university will also host an installation of The Clothesline Project, which is a moving display of t-shirts decorated by women who have entered shelters for victims of abuse. Through the project, when a woman enters a shelter, she is asked to decorate a t-shirt to express what she is feeling about her situation. The display will be in the entryway of the Spellmann Center from Oct. 12 through 16.

"We lost a part of our LU family when one of our graduates, Amanda Cates, was murdered by her boyfriend while in the prime of her life," said Carla Mueller, dean of Lindenwood's School of Human Services. "This week we are honoring her memory by educating others to end the cycle of silence. The Clothesline Project will bring a voice to victims of domestic violence, Dr. Katz will speak to societal influences that play into the culture of violent behavior. This is a community collaboration with the St. Charles Family Violence Council, Healthy Communities, and Bridgewalk Behavioral."

Lindenwood University, founded in 1827, is an independent liberal arts university offering 84 undergraduate degree programs and 37 graduate programs in diverse areas of study—in traditional and accelerated formats. Lindenwood operates a residential campus in historic St. Charles, as well as 10 extension sites throughout the St. Louis Metropolitan area.