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What's on TV?

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Celebrating Women's History Month

Happy International Women's Day! Today we celebrate the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. March is also Women's History Month, a time to explore the vital role of women in history. We at Global Perspectives are proud to participate with other UCF departments for a full calendar of inspiring events. To name a few:

- Tues., March 21, Olympic Gold Medalist Kayla Harrison on, "Empowering Women: Persistence and Overcoming Obstacles." At 3:00 p.m. in the Cape Florida Ballroom.
- Thurs., March 23, Actress and UN Goodwill Ambassador Mira Sorvino on, "The Global Fight Against Human Trafficking." Read more below.
- Fri., March 31, "Women's Hospitality Leadership Forum." An all-day event at the Rosen Campus featuring global leaders in the hospitality industry.
- Tues., April 4, "Equal Pay Day." Wear **RED** to symbolize how far women are "in the red" with their pay.

Visit the [Office of Diversity and Inclusion's](#) website for the complete schedule of events.

Event Spotlight: Mira Sorvino

On Thursday, March 23, Academy Award-winning actress and United Nations Goodwill Ambassador Mira Sorvino will speak at UCF about combating human trafficking. The event will highlight the UN's efforts to address human trafficking and underscore the complexities of modern slavery.



[Kevin Bales -
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Sorvino's breakout acting role was in Woody Allen's *Mighty Aphrodite* in 1995. Since then, she has acted in multiple films and TV series, including the 2005 Lifetime miniseries *Human Trafficking*. The show depicted the lives of young women and children forced into commercial sexual exploitation and labor trafficking. Her work with this series led to her 2007 appointment as Goodwill Ambassador to Combat Human Trafficking for the UN Office on Drugs and Crime, a position she continues to hold. In this role, Sorvino has traveled extensively, met with survivors, raised awareness, testified before the U.S. Senate and addressed the UN General Assembly. She is an ardent supporter of survivor empowerment and women's rights.

This event is free and open to the public. It takes place at 3PM in the Pegasus Ballroom of the Student Union. Hosted by the UCF Global Perspectives Office, this event is also a feature of Women's History Month 2017. For more information about the event, please visit www.ucfglobalperspectives.org.