

Dominican Stages One Billion Rising March

February 14 marked the 15th campaign anniversary to bring public awareness and activates support of writers, thinkers, celebrities, and women and men worldwide to call for an end to violence against women and girls.

About 150-200 Dominican students, faculty, staff, and community members gathered inside Angelico Hall and then marched from campus to downtown San Rafael's 4th Street Plaza. LINES Ballet/BFA in Dance students then led a group of 35-40 perform a flash mob on the plaza.

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Participants returned to Angelico Hall at 1:40 p.m. for a 90-minute "teach-in" to learn about local and global issues surrounding the violence toward women. Mark Bartolini, former director of USAID's Office of US Foreign Disaster Assistance, discussed international humanitarian efforts focused on reducing violence against women and girls.

The teach-in featured speeches, drama, music, and performance. The schedule included:

- Welcome: Dominican University of California Provost Dr. Steven Weisler.
- Brooke Griffin, Dominican student and teach-in coordinator.
- Video presentation: "One Billion Rising"
- Playback Theatre: Debra French Frisher and Company
- Student Performance
- Mark Bartolini, former director of USAID's Office of US Foreign Disaster Assistance
- Deanna Schau, director, Community Violence Solutions
- Sabrina Boyce, Center for Domestic Peace

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