

**SAN RAMON AAUW CELEBRATES
WOMEN IN FILM AT FRONT ROW
THEATER, JANUARY 23, 2010**



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“Showing of “Dangerous Beauty” To Benefit Women’s Education, Research

The San Ramon Branch of the American Association of University Women launches its “Celebration of Women in Film” on Saturday evening, January 23, 2010, with “Dangerous Beauty.” Proceeds from the event, which will be held at the Front Row Theater, Dougherty Station Community Center, San Ramon, will go to AAUW funds that support women seeking fellowships and grants to further their education and research.

“Dangerous Beauty” is a lavishly produced film set in 16th c. Venice and based on the stirring, real-life story of Veronica Franco, a renowned courtesan and published poet. The film, which features scenes of high drama and comedy, and literate and witty dialogue, stars Catherine McCormack (previously in “Braveheart”) as the “dangerous beauty,” Jacqueline Bisset as her mother and mentor in the skills needed to be a successful courtesan, and Rufus Sewell as a dashing Venetian senator.

Dr. Karen Van Zino, physician, author and lecturer, will provide commentary during the intermission and lead a brief discussion of how the experiences of this Renaissance beauty and her contemporaries relate to issues faced by women—and men—in today’s world. The event starts at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served at the intermission.

To purchase tickets, call (925) 973-ARTS or go to the Front Row Theater web site at <http://www.ci.san-ramon.ca.us/Parks/theater/default.htm>. All tickets are \$25, with minimal processing fees for tickets purchased online or mailed. Seating is limited.

AAUW San Ramon urges the community to enjoy an evening of fine entertainment and meaningful discussion, and support a worthy cause in the bargain.

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