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## Richard Stockton College Hosts Fifth Annual Fannie Lou Hamer Human and Civil Rights Symposium

Author Dr. Barbara Ransby to Deliver the Keynote Talk on October 2

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**Galloway Twp.**, **NJ** –The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey will host the Fifth Annual Fannie Lou Hamer Human and Civil Rights Symposium on Thursday, October 2, from 2:30pm to 4:30pm in the Performing Arts Center on the Galloway Township campus.

This year's symposium entitled, "No Justice, No Peace: Radical Voices From the Civil Rights Movement" commemorates the legacy of Fannie Lou Hamer, a civil rights activist who advocated for voting rights at the 1964 Democratic National Convention in Atlantic City. Named in honor of this civil rights activist, Fannie Lou Hamer's impassioned plea for equal voting rights helped bring national attention to the issue.

This year's event will feature a keynote talk by Dr. Barbara Ransby, Associate Professor of History and Africana Studies at the University of Illinois – Chicago. Author of *Ella Baker and the Black Freedom Movement: A Radical Democratic Vision*, Dr. Ransby will discuss this work and she and civil rights activists John Churchville and Irene Hill will serve as discussion panelists.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Dr. Reid- Merritt at <a href="mailto:pat.reid-merritt@stockton.edu">pat.reid-merritt@stockton.edu</a>.