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DURHAM, N.H. – Keith Jones, a nationally recognized disability rights advocate and artist, will speak at the University of New Hampshire Thursday, April 22, 2010. Jones's talk is part of the Janet Krumm Disability & Media Lecture Series of UNH's Institute on Disability (IOD).

Who: Disability rights activist and artist Keith Jones

What: The Janet Krumm Disability & Media Lecture Series

When: Thursday, April 22, 2010, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Where: University of New Hampshire Memorial Union Building Theatre II

Jones has been called a pioneer in the disability rights movement. As president and chief executive officer of SoulTouchin' Experiences, he is committed to multi-cultural, cross-disability, progressive, and effective change around the issues of access, inclusion, and empowerment. Jones was recently featured in two critically-acclaimed documentaries – IOD filmmaker-in-residence Dan Habib's "Including Samuel," and Maggie Doben's "Labeled Disabled".

The Janet Krumm Disability & Media Lecture Series recognizes the power of information and the contributions of individuals who have used the media to create an understanding of the experience of disability. The series honors the efforts of Janet M. Krumm, founder and editor of the New Hampshire Challenge, a quarterly news publication for families who have members with disabilities.

The Institute on Disability at the University of New Hampshire was established in 1987 to provide a coherent university-based focus for the improvement of knowledge, policies, and practices related to the lives of persons with disabilities and their families. Its mission is to advance policies and systems changes, promising practices, education, and research that strengthen communities to ensure full access, equal opportunities, and participation for all persons.

The University of New Hampshire, founded in 1866, is a New England liberal arts college and a major research university with a strong focus on undergraduate-oriented research. A land, sea and space-grant university, UNH is the state's flagship public institution, enrolling 12,200 undergraduate and 2,200 graduate students.