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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Mount Mary College to Host International Event**

*Annual Multicultural Fair features international fashion show, food, dance and music*

**MILWAUKEE** (April 11, 2011) – Mount Mary College will host the second annual Multicultural Fair on its campus located at 2900 N. Menomonee River Parkway in Milwaukee. The event is free and open to the public. Ample free parking is also available.

**The Mount Mary College Multicultural Fair** will be held on Monday April 18, 2011 from 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. in the Alumnae Dining Room located in Bergstrom Hall. Sponsored by the college’s International Club, the fair will feature an international fashion show, cultural dance performances, music, hands-on activities, informational booths and food.

As a special feature this year, Courtney Macavinta, co-author of the youth bestseller *Respect: A Girl’s Guide to Getting Respect and Dealing When Your Line is Crossed*, will speak from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and will be available to sign books. Macavinta’s speech will focus on self-respect and respect of others including how to connect with women, hear each other’s stories, get past stereotypes and get the “Respect Basics” to help individuals thrive. Macavinta has been featured on CNN, National Public Radio, *USA Today*, *Teen Vogue*, *Mothering*, *Glamour* and numerous other media. She has partnered with organizations such as Girls Inc., the YMCA, Girl Scouts of the USA, the Dove Self-Esteem Fund, and Derek Jeter’s Turn 2 Foundation, and was invited to the White House based on her work in domestic violence prevention and youth development.

The 2011 Mount Mary College Multicultural Fair and Macavinta’s appearance are presented with support from the United Performing Arts Fund, the Wisconsin Energy Foundation, and the Milwaukee Brewers Community Foundation, Inc.

For more information, visit <http://www.mtmary.edu/pdfs/events/multiculturalfair.pdf> or call 414-258-4810, ext. 644.

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