

Join Us for the First CUC Breakfast of the Year!

Wednesday, October 23, 2019 7:15 am - 8:30 am (Program @ 7:30) UCR Alumni & Visitor Center 3701 Canyon Crest Drive

In the Country of Women: A Memoir



Presentation by: Susan Straight

Distinguished Professor of Creative Writing

After making her mark as an acclaimed writer of fiction, UCR professor and Riverside native Susan Straight's latest work, *In the Country of Women*, uses her masterful ability to tell a story to take a deeply personal look at her own family and its history.

Written for her three daughters, *In the Country of Women* tells the story of Straight's Inland Empire hometown, blended with

stories of her ancestors - tough, trauma-burdened women, who make their way across the country, from Mississippi, Oklahoma, Texas, Colorado, and even the Swiss Alps, to Riverside.

Straight uses the Pakistani word, *biraderi*, to describe the complex melding of kinship and clan that forms to become your family. She writes, "The daughters of our ancestors carry in their blood at least three continents. We are not about borders. We are about love and survival."

You won't want to miss the CUC on October 23rd!

Susan Straight is a Distinguished Professor of Creative Writing at UCR, where she has taught since 1988. Straight has published eight novels, and has been a Finalist for the National Book Award, the Los Angeles Times Book Prize, and the National Magazine Award. She is the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Los Angeles Times Book Prize, the Edgar Award for Best Mystery, the O. Henry Prize, and a Guggenheim Fellowship.

<u>With An Update from:</u> Riverside Unified School District on the Proposed STEM High School on the UCR Campus



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		Total Enclosed	\$
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