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ARTIST'S TALK WITH JOYCE KOZLOFF AT RAMAPO COLLEGE

(Mahwah)- In celebration of Women's History Month, Joyce Kozloff will visit Ramapo College to talk about her work at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 27 in the Adler Theater of the Angelica and Russ Berrie Center for Performing and Visual Arts on the Ramapo College campus.

Kozloff is a prominent member of the influential Pattern and Decoration movement in America, which had its beginnings in the mid-1970s. She has been an active participant in the women artists' movement since 1970, in both Los Angeles and New York. In addition, she was a founding member of *Heresies*, a feminist journal of art and politics. In 1999-2000 she was awarded the Jules Guerin Fellowship, Rome Prize from the American Academy in Rome, Italy.

Along with many other artists of the Pattern and Decoration group, Kozloff looked to the visual vernaculars and traditional crafts of third world countries including Mexico, Morocco, Islamic Spain, Egypt, Ecuador, India and Vietnam. Kozloff's unabashed embrace of decorative motifs challenged the modernist influences and offered new relationships between the decorative and high art.

Since 1993 Kozloff has been interested in the role of cartography as a record of imperialism and geopolitical history. Her *Targets*, 2000, offers a new perspective of looking at the world as the viewer enters a nine-foot hollow sphere. The interior is composed of 24 concave panels. On each is painted an aerial map of a place that has been bombed by the United States in the years since World War II.

Kozloff earned a B.F.A. from Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, 1964 and an M.F.A. from New York's Columbia University, 1967. She is represented by the D. C. Moore Gallery in New York. Her work is currently featured in *WACK! Art and the Feminist Revolution*, the first comprehensive historical examination of feminist art, a

national traveling exhibition on display at P.S. 1 in New York City from February 17 to May 12.

This presentation will be funded by the Visual Artists Society. Admission is free. For more information call 201.684.7147.

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