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**NEW YORK TIMES PHOTOGRAPHER TO PRESENT WORK ON HAITIAN
EARTHQUAKE AT RAMAPO COLLEGE**

(MAHWAH, NJ) – Ozier Muhammad, a staff photographer for The New York Times who covered Hurricane Katrina, Iraq, Afghanistan, much of Africa and Haiti, will speak and present his work at Ramapo College this month.

Muhammad will be presenting his work from the recent earthquake in Haiti, titled “Orphans, Hunger, and Poupelard Street: Photographs of Haiti after the January 12th Earthquake.” His focus was to capture the images of the many children who are now orphaned, the effects of mass hunger on the people of Haiti, and how this natural disaster has forever changed the lives of the Haitian people. His photographs have been featured in articles in the New York Times relating to the disaster.

Muhammad has been a professional photojournalist since graduating from Columbia College in Chicago in 1972. His first job was as a staff photographer at Ebony Magazine. He joined The Charlotte Observer in 1978, went to Newsday in 1980 and has been at the New York Times since 1992. While serving on the staff of Newsday, he won a Polk Award in news photography and shared a Pulitzer Prize in international reporting with Josh Friedman and Dennis Bell for a series of reports titled "Africa, the Desperate Continent."

Muhammad will give his presentation, “Orphans, Hunger and Poupelard Street: Photographs of Haiti after the January 12th Earthquake” in Friends Hall, Student Center Room 219, on Thursday, April 8. There will be a reception starting at 7 p.m., and the presentation will begin at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free, however donations to the Haiti Relief Fund are greatly appreciated. This event is sponsored by Theta Nu Xi Multicultural Sorority, Inc., as well as the Haiti Relief Committee, The American Democracy Project and The Diversity Action Committee. For more information, please contact Larissa Forik, 732.690.2954 or tnxramapo@yahoo.com.

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