Acclaimed photographer to present Sioux slides at UM

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MISSOULA --

A nationally acclaimed photographer will present a slide show and lecture of his work photographing the Sioux Nation over the past 30 years Friday, Nov. 17, at The University of Montana.

Don Doll’s presentation "Spirit Catcher: Reflections on Photography, Prayer and Creativity," will be given at 3 p.m. in Room 304 of the Journalism Building.

"If you were to name the top 10 documentary photographers, Doll would be one of those 10," said UM Associate Professor Patty Reksten. Reksten, who teaches photography at the School of Journalism, said that Doll has traveled the country encouraging Native Americans to take on their own photo documentary projects.

"He has become a real mentor for some of our students," said Reksten. One of those students, Ken Blackbird, now works as a photographer for the Billings Gazette.

Doll, a Jesuit priest and fine arts professor at Creighton University, is the author of the photo documentary book "Crying For a Vision." His photo exhibit, "Vision Quest: Men, Women and Sacred Sites of the Sioux Nation," is on a three-year national tour.

Other works by Doll include "Day in the Life of America," "Christmas in America" and "Passage to Vietnam." His work has been published in National Geographic and Geo magazine.

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