

Mental Health Resources

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Report on the 2005 Mental Health Resources Book Exhibit for the 55th Annual Conference of the Society for the Study of Social Problems

Introduction: Mental Health Resources (MHR) is a national conference bookseller, setting up combined-publisher book exhibits at over 90 conferences each year. Conferences we participate in range in size from 50 to 2,000 attendees, and focus on a variety of issues including, among many others, the juvenile justice system, domestic violence, eating disorders, education, autism, sexual abuse, bereavement, psychotherapy and child abuse. Our inventory consists of books on a wide variety of subjects that we believe will be of interest to attendees of the 55th Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems. We will carry some of the most recent books on social problems, as well as a number of hard to find titles. MHR also offers a selection of VHS, DVD and audiotapes.

MHR will offer books for sale on site at the conference, including a selection of books offered at discounted prices. If we run out of stock on particular titles, attendees can place an order to be shipped directly to them after the conference. We accept payment by cash, check, credit card or purchase order.

Solicitation of Book Recommendations: A paragraph that was included in the 55th Annual Meeting Preliminary Program notes that book recommendations and bibliographies of presenters can be sent to Adrienne Burger, Conference Book Sales Coordinator for MHR. Michele Koontz also included MHR's contact information for this purpose in a letter circulated to conference participants. MHR will try to accommodate all of the recommendations received prior to the conference. MHR will also research published books written or edited by conference participants, and we will do our best to have these books available for sale to conference attendees.

Publishers: The book exhibit will consist of products from a wide variety of publishers, including: Rowman & Littlefield and University Press of America, Guilford Press, Random House, Beacon Press, Greenwood Press, Prometheus Books, Aldine de Gruyter, the Child Welfare League of America, International Universities Press, Basic Books, HarperCollins, Simon & Schuster, Palgrave Macmillan, the American Psychological Association, American Psychiatric Press, Haworth Press, Kluwer Academic Publishers, McGraw-Hill, Taylor & Francis and Routledge Publishers, Baywood Publishing Company, Sage Publications and Corwin Press, John Wiley & Sons, Prentice Hall, Allyn & Bacon, Blackwell Publishers, Ashgate Publishing, State University of New York Press, Columbia University Press, Harvard University Press, Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, New York University Press, Northeastern University Press, Yale University Press, Cornell University Press and many others.

Exhibit Set-Up: The MHR book exhibit will consist of ten tables located in the “Ballroom Foyer” of the Crowne Plaza Hotel. The tables and access to an electrical outlet will be provided by the hotel at no cost to MHR. MHR will provide two staff members for the duration of the exhibit. The exhibit will be set-up on the morning of 8/11, and will be open by 2 PM. Our staff will begin breaking down the exhibit after 6 PM on 8/14.

C. Wright Mills Finalist Book Raffle: MHR will provide one display copy of each C. Wright Mills Finalist book for SSSP’s Fifth Annual AIDS Fundraiser.

Donation: Mental Health Resources will provide a post-conference fee/donation to the Society for the Study of Social Problems of 10% of sales revenue generated at the conference. A check will be issued and mailed to SSSP Executive Officer Tom Hood within two weeks after the conference.

In conclusion, MHR would like to thank the Society for the Study of Social Problems for the opportunity to participate in your conference this year. We hope that the book exhibit is a success with conference attendees, and look forward to the possibility of providing our services at future SSSP events.

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