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### **Pulitzer-Prize Winner Jacqui Banaszynski Talks About Change on Sept. 17 at Century College**

Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter Jacqui Banaszynski, who now teaches at the Missouri School of Journalism, will speak at Century College on the topic of coping with change on Thursday, Sept. 17, at 7 p.m. in the West Campus Theatre. The public is invited to attend this free event.

Banaszynski, who won the 1988 Pulitzer Prize for feature writing while she worked for the St. Paul Pioneer Press, has titled her Century talk “Get Down on Your Knees and Dance (and while you’re down there dust the baseboards): How to Survive and Thrive in Times of Change.”

Banaszynski holds the Knight Chair in Editing at the Missouri School of Journalism and is on the visiting faculty of The Poynter Institute. She has worked as a reporter and editor for more than 30 years, most recently as associate managing editor of The Seattle Times, where she was in charge of special projects and staff development.

While at the St. Paul Pioneer Press, her series “AIDS in the Heartland” – an intimate look at the life and death of a gay farm couple – won the 1988 Pulitzer Prize in feature writing and a national Society of Professional Journalists Distinguished Service Award.

She was a finalist for the 1986 Pulitzer in international reporting for coverage of the Ethiopian famine, and won the national AP Sports Editors deadline writing contest with a story from the 1988 Summer Olympics.

Her work has exposed a fraudulent developer, explored the plight of Kurdish refugees in Iraq and followed a dogsled expedition across Antarctica.

A native of a Wisconsin farm village, Banaszynski is a 1974 graduate of Marquette University. She leads workshops for editors and reporters around the world and is a regular presenter at national conferences.