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## **CNN HERO Anuradha Koirala to Keynote 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Northwest Conference Against Trafficking**



**Portland, OR (October 27, 2011) –The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Northwest Conference Against Trafficking & Film Festival will be held January, 9-15, 2012 in Portland, Oregon (the film festival is January 9-12<sup>th</sup> and conference January 13-15<sup>th</sup>).** The conference is hosted by Soroptimist International Northwestern Region's Northwest Coalition Against Trafficking (NWCAT).

NWCAT is a coalition of many Agencies, Political Leaders, Community Organizations, Individuals, Media and Business Supporters throughout the Northwest working to **Inform, Educate, and Protect** the women and children from Human Labor & Sex Trafficking in America and around the world. **The conference focuses on Prevention, Education, and Action to help prevent and protect victims of exploitation and trafficking.**

The conference will offer breakout sessions/trainings, networking receptions, over 50 presenters & keynote speakers, award luncheon, exhibit resource expo, film screenings, and silent auction. The **Jane Velez-Mitchell Journalism Award** will also be presented.

Speakers include: Oregon State Attorney General **John Kroger**, CNN HERO and founder of Friends of Maiti Nepal **Anuradha Koirala**, **Kristen Anderson** from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, Attorney and Policy Advocate **Beth Klein**, United States Senator **Ron Wyden**, and International Investigative Reporter **Amber Lyon** to name a few.

The public is invited to visit [www.NWCAT.org](http://www.NWCAT.org) for registration and more information.

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