

## Jane Goodall brings “Reason for Hope” environmental message to Ottawa and Algonquin College April 15

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**Ottawa, March 25, 2008** – Gloomy predictions about the future of the earth are easy to find. However, renowned primatologist and environmentalist Jane Goodall will deliver a decidedly contrary view in Ottawa April 15.

The researcher, who has also been made a UN Messenger for Peace, will take part in a day of activities culminating in a public lecture titled “Reason for Hope” at Centrepointe Theatre.

Nearly a half-century ago, Dr. Goodall began groundbreaking field research into the social structure of wild chimpanzees in Tanzania. Since that time, she has broadened her focus to look at the habitat in which her beloved chimpanzees live, as well as the environment more generally. Her Jane Goodall Institute is now a dynamic international organization that supports wildlife research, conservation and education around the world.

Dr. Goodall will give the keynote presentation at a Youth Action Workshop hosted by Algonquin College at 9:30 am. The workshop will bring together 150 Ottawa-area youth to discuss issues in their communities and how they can take action to address them. It is organized by the Jane Goodall Institute’s Roots & Shoots youth action program.

In her *Reason for Hope* presentation, Dr. Goodall will talk about the research she started almost 50 years ago, about the critical need to protect Africa’s Great Apes and other wildlife species, and about her reasons for hope for the future of the planet. A book signing will follow. A limited number of premium tickets are available which include a private reception with Dr. Goodall prior to the public lecture. Special student prices are also available. All proceeds from the evening will benefit the work of the Jane Goodall Institute of Canada.

#### **About Algonquin College:**

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