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http://events.iu.edu/webevent.cgi?cmd=listyear;y=2009;callID=412757

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Tuesday, January 13, 2009
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Dept. of Near Eastern Studies presents "Edward Said: On Orientalism"

Wednesday, January 14, 2009
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Hillel House presents "The Great Debaters"

Thursday, January 15, 2009
8:00 PM - 11:00 PM
Women in Business presents "Iron-Jawed Angels"

Thursday, January 15, 2009
8:30 PM - 9:30 PM
Civil Rights Immersion Trip

Friday, January 16, 2009
8:30 PM - 9:30 PM
Civil Rights Immersion Trip

Saturday, January 17, 2009
8:30 PM - 9:30 PM
Civil Rights Immersion Trip

Sunday, January 18, 2009
5:00 PM - 6:30 PM
Elaine Brown Lecture

Sunday, January 18, 2009
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Reception following the Elaine Brown Lecture

Sunday, January 18, 2009
8:30 PM - 9:30 PM
Civil Rights Immersion Trip

Monday, January 19, 2009
(All Day)
A Day On! Not A Day Off

Monday, January 19, 2009
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Leadership Breakfast

Monday, January 19, 2009
9:00 AM - Noon
Mother Hubbard's Cupboard volunteer day  
Monday, January 19, 2009  
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Martin Luther King, Jr. Activity Day  
Monday, January 19, 2009  
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Indiana University School of Optometry Providing Eye Exams  
Monday, January 19, 2009  
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Interfaith Prayer Service  
Monday, January 19, 2009  
10:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Hands-on environmental training  
Monday, January 19, 2009  
Noon - 3:00 PM

Unity Summit  
Monday, January 19, 2009  
2:00 PM

Rebirthing King, Rebirthing America  
Monday, January 19, 2009  
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Change is Coming  
Monday, January 19, 2009  
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Celebration  
Monday, January 19, 2009

MLK Service Learning Day  
Tuesday, January 20, 2009  
10:30 AM - 2:00 PM

The 2009 Presidential Inauguration  
Tuesday, January 20, 2009  
7:00 PM

Dream Delivered  
Tuesday, January 20, 2009  
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Patten Lecture by Werner Sollors: "African American Intellectuals in Europe in the Interwar Period"  
Wednesday, January 21, 2009  
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Martin Luther King Week presents "Of civil wrongs and rights the Fred Korematsu Story,” a Movie and Discussion  
Thursday, January 22, 2009  
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Speaking the Dream: Teter Open Mic Night
Friday, January 23, 2009
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Black and White Ball
Friday, January 23, 2009
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

We Have a Dream for 2009!
Saturday, January 24, 2009
(All Day)

A Glimpse of Freedom

Sunday, January 25, 2009
2:00 PM

Fostering Action in Times of Challenge and Controversy
Tuesday, February 24, 2009
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Black Knowledge Bowl
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Websites:

http://www.admin.uiuc.edu/mlk/community.html
http://www.admin.uiuc.edu/mlk/essays.html

Eighth Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. CountyWide Day of Celebration

The Color of Unity; "We Are One"

- **When:** Friday, January 16, 2009: 4:00-6:00pm
- **Where:** Hilton Garden Inn, 1501 S. Neil St., Champaign
- **Keynote:** Dr. Kenneth Ulmer Los Angeles CA former Project 500 Student
- **Featuring:**
  - Musical selections by: Mo' Better Music middle school ensemble and Stellar Award winning gospel artists Heartspeak
  - Reception immediately following the program
- **Sponsored by the Cities of Champaign and Urbana, Champaign county Board, University of Illinois**
- **Free and open to the public**

Martin Luther King, Jr. Campus Community Celebration and Scholarship Program

The Dream is Alive and Reborn

- **When:** Sunday, January 18, 2009: 5:00-7:00pm
- **Where:** Follinger Great Hall, Krannert Center for the Performing Arts
- **Featuring:**
  - Community Choir performance
  - Keynote speaker
  - 2009 Scholarship winners announced
- **Free and open to the public**

Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Breakfast

- **When:** Monday, January 19, 2009: 8:30-10:00am
- **Where:** The Vineyard Church; 1500 N Lincoln Ave. Urbana
• Featuring:
  o Keynote speaker
  o Scholarship winners recognized
  o Sponsored by the Martin Luther King Jr. Committee for Justice
• Free and open to the public

Urbana Rotary and Urbana High School Interact - Youth Festival

High School Diversity and Conflict Resolution Conference

• When: Monday, January 19, 2009: 10:00am-3:00pm
• Where: Illinois Street Residence Hall multipurpose room, Urbana
• Featuring:
  o Luncheon
  o Diversity presentation
  o Conflict resolution presentation
  o Choir from Urbana and Mahomet High Schools
  o Sponsored by the Urbana Rotary and the Urbana High School Interact club
• Free and open to the public

Television Viewing of the Inauguration of President Barack Obama

• When: Tuesday, January 20, 2009: 11:00am-1:00pm
• Where: LGBT Resource Center, 323 Illini Union, Urbana
• A facilitated discussion will focus on the issue of civil rights, the 2008 election of President Barack Obama and the ban on same-sex marriage in several states.
• Free and open to the public

Television Viewing of the Inauguration of President Barack Obama

• When: Tuesday, January 20, 2009: 11:00am-1:00pm
• Where: Asian American Cultural Center, 1210 W. Nevada Street, Urbana
• A facilitated discussion will focus on the issue of civil rights, the 2008 election of President Barack Obama and the ban on same-sex marriage in several states.
• Lunch provided
• Free and open to the public

Reclaiming the Dream/History Makers

• When: Wednesday, January 21, 2009: 12:00pm-1:00pm
• Where: Bruce Nesbitt African American Cultural Center, 708 S. Matthews, Urbana
• Featuring Clarence Lang, Assistant Professor in History and African American Studies, University of Illinois
• For more information, contact:
The Legacy of Civil Disobedience: A Film Screening and Discussion of the Walk Outs

- **When:** Wednesday, January 21, 2009: 4:30pm
- **Where:** La Casa Cultural Latina, 1203 West Nevada Street, Urbana
- For more information, contact: (217) 333-4950
- **Free and open to the public**

The Chief: Why a mascot would be retired

- **When:** Thursday, January 22, 2009: 12:00pm-1:00pm
- **Where:** La Casa Cultural Latina, 1203 West Nevada Street, Urbana
- Lunch provided
- For more information, contact: (217) 333-4950
- **Free and open to the public**

Grand Opening of the University of Illinois Center for Women and Gender Justice

- **When:** Friday, January 23, 2009: All Day, with formal ceremonies scheduled from 4:00pm-5:00pm
- **Where:** 2nd Floor, 703 Wright Street
- For more information, contact: (217) 333-3137
- **Free and open to the public**

MLK Culminating Community Celebration

**Four Score and A Dream Ago: Weaving our Common Destinies**

- **When:** Saturday, January 24, 2009: 10:00am-1:00pm
- **Where:** Krannert Center for the Performing Arts Lobby, Urbana
- Both Dr King and President Lincoln were committed to weaving the many peoples and ideas of this great nation into one, knitting us all together in an inseparable bond of humanity and common destiny.
- Please join our local artists Dawn Blackmon, Hua Nian, Haryuo Kamekawa as they continue this tradition of nation and community building and engage children of all ages in weaving a communal tapestry in the annual MLK art making activity in the lobby of Krannert Center.
- Featuring:
  - Family friendly events
  - Bowdacious String Band
  - Mo' Better Music youth band and choir
MLK Essay and artistic expression contest winners
- Booker T Washington Elementary Arts Program
- Countryside School Chinese choir
- Tito Carilo's Latin Jazz Band
- Salsa Dancing
- Children's Art-making

- Sponsored by The Office of the Chancellor, Office of the Provost, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Public Engagement, Krannert Center for the Performing Arts, Classic Events, multiple departments listed at: http://www.admin.uiuc.edu/mlk

- Free and open to the public

Screening of Brother Outsider

- **When:** Monday, January 26, 2009: 12:00pm-1:00pm
- **Where:** LGBT Resource Center, 323 Illini Union, Urbana
- The life and legacy of Bayard Rustin, a civil rights movement leader and gay activist will be examined. A discussion will follow after the film showing.
- For more information, contact:
  - lkmorrow@illinois.edu or cstewar2@illinois.edu
  - (217) 244-8863
  - http://www.lgbt.uiuc.edu

Free and open to the public
The Tastes and Sounds of Diversity

Wednesday, January 14, 2009
4:00 - 6:00 pm
Old Brick, 26 E. Market St. (on the corner of Clinton & Market)
Sponsored by The UI Staff Council
The UI Staff Council invites the campus community to enjoy a Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration of Staff by Staff. Join us for opening remarks by Provost Wallace Loh, performances by talented UI Staff, including the Goosetown Vipers, Charism, Beats from the Gold Coast, and more; and an opportunity to connect with old friends and make new ones

One for All Blood Drive

Thursday, January 15, 2009
10:00 am - 3:00 pm
John Pappajohn Pavilion Lobby, UIHC, (near elevator I)
Sponsored by The UI Health Care & DeGowin Blood Center
For more information contact Janet Fotsch, 384-2952, janet-fotsch@uiowa.edu

Interfaith Celebration, Tish Jones - Speaker

Sunday, January 18, 2009
7:00 pm
First Presbyterian Church, 2701 Rochester Ave., Iowa City
Sponsored by Consultation of Religious Communities
For more information contact Rev. William Lovin, Congregational UCC, 319-337-4301, uccierev@uccic.org

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service

Monday, January 19, 2009
8:30 am - 3:30 pm
North Room, Iowa Memorial Union
Sponsored by The UI Civic Engagement Program
For more information contact Mary Mathew Wilson, 319-335-7589, mary-mathew-wilson@uiowa.edu

Shelter From The Storm - Day of Service
Monday, January 19, 2009
10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Trinity Episcopal Church, 320 East College Street, Iowa City
As part of the National Day of Service on, Trinity Episcopal Church will host an intergenerational service day to benefit Shelter House. People of all ages are welcome to assemble toiletry kits, sew quilts, knit hats & mittens and bake. For more information please visit our website.  
For volunteer or donation information contact Meg Wagner, mwagner@trinityic.org

MLK "Day On" - Law School Day of Service

Monday, January 19, 2009
9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sponsored by the Citizen Lawyer Program and the UI College of Law
For more information contact Lauren Hansen, lauren-hansen@uiowa.edu

MLK, Jr. Community Opening Celebration

Monday, January 19, 2009
6:30 pm
2nd Floor Ballroom, Iowa Memorial Union
Sponsored by the 2009 Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration of Human Rights Planning Committee
For more information contact Katherine Betts, 319-335-3059, 145 IMU

Martin Luther King, Jr.: The Man and the Dream (Video Presentation)

Wednesday, January 21, 2009
9:00 - 10:00 am
East Room RCP, 8008 University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics
Sponsored by Hospital Human Resources, The Service Leadership Council, and University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics
For more information contact Dan Killinger, 319-356-7542, dan-killinger@uiowa.edu

Thurgood Marshall: Justice for All (Video Presentation)

Wednesday, January 21, 2009
2:00 - 3:00 pm
East Room RCP 8008 University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics
Sponsored by Hospital Human Resources and The Service Leadership Council
For more information contact Dan Killinger, 319-356-7542, dan-killinger@uiowa.edu
Dr. Louis Sullivan, Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (1989-1993)
"The Role of an Academic Medical Center in Achieving Dr. King's Dream"

Wednesday, January 21, 2009
3:30 - 4:30 pm (Reception to Follow)
Prem Sahai Auditorium 1110A Medical Education Research Facility
Sponsored by Office of Vice President for Medical Affairs, UI Health Care
For more information contact Janet Fotsch, 319-384-2952, janet-fotsch@uiowa.edu

Community of Color

Wednesday, January 21, 2009
3:00 - 6:00 pm
Van Oel Multipurpose Room, Currier Hall
Sponsored by the Center for Diversity & Enrichment
For more information contact Andy Freeman, 319-335-1427

Building Bridges: Addressing Racial Diversity/Divisiveness

Wednesday, January 21, 2009
6:00 - 8:00 pm
Asian Pacific American Cultural Center
Sponsored by the Office of Student Life and the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity
For more information contact Katherine Betts, Office of Student Life, 319-335-3059

Invisible Slaves: Human Trafficking in the Midwest and United States

Wednesday, January 21, 2009
6:00 - 8:00 pm
Iowa City Public Library, Meeting Room A
Sponsored by the Iowa City Human Rights Commission and the Iowa Human Trafficking Awareness Project
For more information contact Stefanie Bowers, 319-356-5022, stefanie-bowers@iowa-city.org

Social Justice Sundaes

Undergraduates (mostly geared towards 1st and 2nd years but anyone welcome)
Wednesday, January 21, 2009
7:00 - 8:00 pm
Currier MPR
Sponsored by Associated Daum
For more information contact Kristen Olney (Associated Daum President), 563-357-9107, kristen-olney@uiowa.edu
Open Mouth, Insert Foot: An Open Community Discussion and Workshop on Hate

Wednesday, January 21, 2009
7:00 - 9:00 pm
Robert A. Lee Community Recreation Center, Room B, 220 S. Gilbert St.
Sponsored by the Graduate Social Work Student Association
For more information contact Brandi Munch, 712-304-0090, brandi.munch@gmail.com

Where were you during the Civil Rights Movement? Sharing Memories

Thursday, January 22, 2009
2:30 and 7:00 pm (2 sessions)
Do you remember the civil rights movement? Is there a significant event that you would like to share? Whether you remember the Civil Rights movement or not you are invited to attend this unique program at the Center. This is a part of a series of programs that will be offered throughout the community in the 2009 Celebration of Civil Rights, a recognition of Martin Luther King, Jr.
The Assembly Room at the Iowa City Senior Center, 28 South Linn Street
For more information contact Michelle Buhman at 319-356-5222 in advance to ensure there is enough time for everyone to participate.

Frank LaMere Lecture - POSTPONED

Thursday, January 22, 2009 (postponed)
Lecture: 2:30 - 4:30 pm, W401 PBB
Potluck: 5:30 - 7:30 pm, Latino Native American Cultural Center (LNACC)
Sponsored by the Native American Faculty and Staff Council
For more information contact Tarrell Awe Agahe Portman, Interim Chair, Native American Faculty and Staff Council, 319-384-1931 or 319-353-2584, tarrell-portman@uiowa.edu

Unnatural Causes... Is Inequality Making Us Sick?
Dinner and a Documentary

Thursday, January 22, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.(segments 1 through 3)
Thursday, January 29, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. (segments 4 through 6)
A groundbreaking new documentary series crisscrosses the country exploring how the social conditions in which Americans are born, live and work profoundly affect health and longevity, even more than medical care, behaviors and genes. This four-hour television and DVD series challenges fundamental beliefs about what makes Americans healthy - or sick - and offers new remedies for an ailing society.
E177 GH (CPH Student Commons)
Pizza will be served.
This event is open to the public but attendees must RSVP in advance to amy-engelmann@uiowa.edu or 384-5469
Cultural Competence in Service Delivery

Thursday, January 22, 2009
6:00 - 8:00 pm
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Resource Center
Sponsored by the Office of Student Life and the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity
For more information contact Katherine Betts, Office of Student Life, 319-335-3059

The Times Of Harvey Milk Movie Screening

Thursday, January 22, 2009
6:30 - 9:00 pm
Iowa City Public Library, Room A
For more information contact the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Resource Center, lgbtsfa@uiowa.edu

2nd Annual [JAM]NESTY Benefit Concert

Proceeds will go to benefit Women's and Workers' Rights
Thursday, January 22, 2009
7:00 pm - 12:00 am (music and performers will be going on the entire night. Feel free to come in any time between 7:00 pm and 12:00 am)
Old Brick Church, 26 E. Market St., Iowa City
Sponsored by Amnesty International (UI Chapter) and the UI Global Health Club
For more information contact Renugan Raidoo, 605-929-4606, renugan-rai@uiowa.edu

Iowans Care for Iowans: Iowa Mission of Mercy
Dr. Michael Kanellis, Associate Dean for Patient Services and Dr. Patricia Meredith, Clinical Associate Professor, Hospital Dentistry

Friday, January 23, 2009
12:00 - 1:00 pm
Sponsored by the College of Dentistry
For more information contact Elaine Brown, 319-335-7157, elaine-brown@uiowa.edu

What's Race Got to Do with It? Social Disparities and Student Success

Friday, January 23, 2009
1:00 - 4:00 pm
Latino Native American Cultural Center
Sponsored by the Office of Student Life
For more information contact Katherine Betts, Office of Student Life, 319-335-3059

National Urban League President Marc Morial, Esq.
Friday, January 23, 2009  
12:40 P.M.  
Boyd Law Building, Rm 225  
Sponsored by the UI College of Law  
For more information contact Dean Adrien Wing, 319-335-9129, adrien-wing@uiowa.edu

Migration and Human Rights: How Global Apartheid Keeps the Developing World Poor  
Monday, January 26, 2009  
7:00 pm  
1505 Seamans Center  
Sponsored by Advocates of Liberty  
For more information contact Jeff Yager, 319-621-5814, jeffrey-yager@uiowa.edu

"From the Heartland to the Holy Land – History and Medicine"  
Dr. Nidal Harb, President of Scott County Medical Society  
Monday, January 26, 2009  
5:00 – 6:00 pm  
Prem Sahal auditorium 1110A Medical Education Research Facility (MERF)  
Sponsored by Arab Students Association, Middle Eastern Law Students Association, and CCOM Office of Cultural Affairs and Diversity Initiatives  
For more information contact Harb Harb, harb-harb@uiowa.edu

Iran: It's Culture & People  
Presented by Dr. E. Torage Shvapour, MD, Professor and Director of Clinical Services, Department Neurology, UIHC  
Tuesday, January 27, 2009  
12:00 - 1:00 pm  
Neuroscience Institute, S724 GH, 7th floor, UIHC  
Sponsored by the Department of Neurology  
For more information contact Kristen McIntyre, 319-356-7355

The Asian American Dream  
Tuesday, January 27, 2009  
6:00 - 8:00 pm  
Asian Pacific American Cultural Center (APACC)  
Sponsored by the Asian American Coalition  
For more information contact Hien Luong, 515-494-0387, hien-luong@uiowa.edu  
Lilly Chen, 712-301-4812, lilly-chen@uiowa.edu

The Feminization of Poverty and Women's Human Rights
Tuesday, January 27, 2009
7:00 pm
Iowa City Public Library, Meeting Room A
Sponsored by the Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance
For more information contact Laura Kacere, 515-975-6362, laura-kacere@uiowa.edu

When is it Sexual Harassment? – Students Converse

Wednesday, January 28, 2009
12:00 - 2:00 pm
Michigan Room, 351 Iowa Memorial Union
Sponsored by the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity
For more information contact Dorothy M. Simpson-Taylor, Ph.D., 319-335-0705

Fierce Conversations - Engaging Dialogue

Wednesday, January 28, 2009
7:00 pm
Iowa Room, 335 Iowa Memorial Union
Sponsored by the Women's Resource and Action Center
For more information contact Christy Clark, 319-335-1486

The Future of Humanity - Political Discussion

Wednesday, January 28, 2009
7:00 pm
Shambaugh Library
Sponsored by The Project for a New American Citizen, Advocates of Liberty, University Democrats, and the UI Rugby Club.
For more information contact Jeff Shipley, 630-404-0520, jeff-shipley@uiowa.edu

"Journeys of Hope: Perspectives of UI Diverse Alumni"

Thursday, January 29, 2009
2:30 - 4:30 pm
W401 PBB
Sponsored by the Office of Graduate Ethnic Inclusion (OGEI) and the Graduate College
For more information contact Tarrell Awe Agahe Portman, Director of OGEI, 319-384-1931 or 319-353-2584, tarrell-portman@uiowa.edu

Martin Luther King Jr. Research Symposium

Friday, January 30, 2009
12:00 - 2:30 pm
Jones Commons Lindquist Center
Sponsored by the College of Education Diversity Committee
For more information contact Sharon Lee, 319-335-6210, sharon-lee@uiowa.edu

Bridging Diversity in Conflict Situations

Friday, January 30, 2009
1:00 - 3:00 pm
Kirkwood Room, 257 Iowa Memorial Union
Sponsored by the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity
For more information contact Dorothy M. Simpson-Taylor, Ph.D., 319-335-0705

Race: Front and Center - A Public Discourse

Wednesday, February 4, 2009
11:00 am -1:00 pm
Michigan Room, 351 Iowa Memorial Union
Sponsored by the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity
For more information contact Dorothy M. Simpson-Taylor, Ph.D., 319-335-0705
Please join me in thanking Dr. Lester Monts for his dedication to making our university a better place for all students, staff and faculty.

It is always a pleasure to welcome the community to the University of Michigan’s annual Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium, which is now in its 23rd year. Throughout the day and month, we have extraordinary events, including one that will begin in a few moments with our keynote speaker, Julian Bond.

This year’s Symposium is particularly special. This year, we are gathered on the eve of a true achievement in American history – the inauguration of our country’s first African-American president.

Forty-five years after Martin Luther King shared his dream of equality with thousands gathered at the foot of the Lincoln Memorial, Barack Obama will stand at the opposite end of the National Mall, take the oath of office, and, in the words of Dr. King, “make real the promises of democracy.”

When I was the age of today’s U-M students, the civil rights movement was unfolding and causing many Americans, myself included, to reassess our society. As an undergraduate in Iowa, I remember taking part in an exchange program with students at a historically black college in Tennessee. Once, when talking with one student about her life in Memphis, she shared her anxiety about entering a movie theater and sitting in the “wrong” section. I was confused. Going to the movies was scary? How could there be a wrong section?

My eyes were being opened.

As a college student, my classmates were entirely white. The notion of having professors who were African-American, or female, or openly gay – well, it was largely unheard of. That the president of the country might one day be black was simply unimaginable. It just wouldn’t happen.
I never dreamed I would see this day, and I am thrilled and excited about what it means for our campus and our country.

Barack Obama was elected because people embrace his ideas and his vision. They also connect with him as a person. His background and heritage are unlike that of any of his predecessors, but for many Americans, his life represents their own experiences. Regardless of their backgrounds and political beliefs, people look at him, hear his personal story, and say, “I can relate.”

Is there a better illustration of the power of learning about people of different backgrounds?

Tomorrow’s inauguration sends a strong message of hope and achievement to the people of our nation and the world – especially young people. Where I, as an 18-year-old, could not imagine an African-American leading our country, today’s students see the reality of President Obama. Where I, as an undergraduate, did not see women faculty, today’s students interact with female professors, deans and administrators.

This is why diversity matters and why, more than ever, we must re-commit ourselves to a campus community that provides experiences and opportunities unlike any other university. A diversity of people, of ideas, and of cultures is a core value of this institution. We want a spectrum of students, staff and faculty, and we will always work to attain it, because it is a critical element of our commitment to academic excellence.

And so we are deepening our study abroad program, so that more Michigan students can learn about different cultures and use those experiences to change communities for the better.

And we are working harder than ever to encourage students of all backgrounds to apply to Michigan and then, when they are admitted, to doubly encourage them to enroll.

And we are fully committed to a strong financial aid program, particularly in these thorny economic times, so that family income never prevents a student from a quality education.

We do all this and more, because I want our campus and the people who make it so engaging to be as inspiring as the political events of the past year. I want U-M to always be not only a place of dreams and aspirations for tomorrow, but also a place where social justice, political activism, and community engagement is practiced today.

I know there are members of our community absent from today’s program because they are on their way to Washington. Students are filling buses, just as they did to hear Dr. King in 1963 and just as they did to support our university’s affirmative action fight at the Supreme Court in 2003.

During that rally at the high court, thousands of students from U-M and around the country voiced their belief that race still matters in our country. There were banners and chants, and someone held a sign above the crowd that read: “Let’s make equality a reality.”
Let’s make equality a reality. Let’s make change for the better. Let’s make real the dream.

Thank you.

http://www.mlksymposium.umich.edu/08events/events_january.php

Thursday, January 10
Rose Moss, Reading From Her Work 4:30 PM • 2239 Lane Hall, 204 S. State St. Ann Arbor•
Sponsored by Women's Studies Department, MFA Creative Writing Program and Institute for Research on Women and Gender• Click here for more information.

Since immigrating from South Africa to the United States in 1964, Rose Moss has published four books, prize-winning stories and articles. Her most recent book, IN COURT, published in South Africa as a Penguin Modern Classic, brings together short stories written over many years.

Her novel, THE TERRORIST, also published as THE SCHOOLMASTER, presents a man anguished at apartheid. He eventually bombs the Johannesburg train station. Her non-fiction account of two defendants in a major treason trial, SHOUTING AT THE CROCODILE, presents leaders of the non-violent, non-racial internal anti-apartheid movement of the 1980's. This book is currently optioned for a documentary movie. Other short stories, set in the United States, present dilemmas that juxtapose art and suffering, beauty and cruelty, kindness and guilt.

Rose Moss now lives in Cambridge, Massachusetts and teaches creative writing at Harvard Law School and in Harvard's Nieman Program for mid-career journalists. For more information, please see her web page www.rosemosswriter.com.

Contact: Donna Ainsworth { 763-2047 }

The Diary of Immaculee 6:30 PM • Maize & Blue Room- 1st floor of Student Activities Building• Sponsored by OAMI• Click here for more information.

Film screening of "The Diary of Immaculee", an eye-opening story of how Immaculee Iligazia survived the genocide which took place in Rwanda. Film screening will be followed by discussion about the film and bringing awareness and positive action to injustices that are currently taking place worldwide.

Contact: Theda Gibbs { (734) 936-1055 }
Friday, January 11
Civic-Engagement and the Politics of Race & Gender in the Aftermath of Proposition 2 9:00 AM
• Ginsberg Center 1024 Hill Street Ginsberg Center is located in the Madelon Pound House, Diagonal to East Quad• Sponsored by Co-sponsored by Arts of Citizenship and the Ginsberg Center• Click here for more information.

An MLK Holiday panel discussion co-sponsored by Arts of Citizenship and the Ginsberg Center.

9 - 10:30 am, with breakfast

**What does the passage of Proposition 2 mean for UofM faculty and graduate students seeking to build university-community collaborations in the state of Michigan?**

**How did the loss of affirmative action change the way we work to become a civically engaged campus?**

**What is our responsibility as scholars and citizens to the work for racial and gender justice at the state and local level?**

Our panel will include Sue Kaufman, Associate Director for Advocacy at the Center for the Education of Women at the University of Michigan

Maria Cotera, Assistant Professor of American Culture and Women’s Studies

Angela Dillard, Associate Professor in the Center for Afroamerican & African Studies and the Residential College

Matthew J. Countryman, Associate Professor of History and American Culture and Faculty Director of Arts of Citizenship

Graduate and undergraduate students, faculty, staff and community members are encouraged to attend.

Contact: Kamilah Henderson { kamilahh@umich.edu, 734.647.9423 }

An Evening with Carl Mack 6:00 PM • Walgreen Drama Center - Stamps Auditorium• Sponsored by National Society of Black Engineers• Click here for more information.

Come experience the powerful and dynamic words of Carl Mack. Carl Mack is the Executive Director of the National Society of Black Engineers, the largest student run
organization in the country with over 20,000 members nationwide. He was the President of the Seattle Branch of the NAACP from 2003 to 2004. He has also been featured on television, on the radio and in newspapers around the country. Carl Mack has received numerous awards for his involvement in the community and his humanitarian efforts.

Contact: Stephen Hill { 313/671-4422, sbhill@umich.edu }

**Tuesday, January 15**

Addressing Health Disparities in African American and Latino Populations • 11:30 AM • Palmer Commons Forum Hall 4th Floor • Sponsored by Cosponsored by the School of Nursing Office of Multicultural Affairs, Grants and Research Office and the MESA Center for Health Disparities• Click here for more information.

School of Nursing Research Seminar and Poster Session
Moderator-Dr. Patricia Coleman-Burns
Overview of MESA Project-Dr. Antonia Villarruel
Dr. Carolyn Sampselle -Investigator Panel including:
Dr. Cynthia Arslanian-Engoren
Dr. Karen Stein
Jody Lori

Dr. Barbara Therrien-Student Panel including:
Bayyinah Muhammad-Junior Nursing Student
Maria McDade PhD Student

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Refreshments served following the discussion panel session.

Contact: Irene Felicetti { 734-764-9519, ilf@umich.edu, www.nursing.umich.edu }

The N Word: who can say it, who shouldn't and why-School of Nursing Book Club Discussion
5:00 PM • School of Nursing Room 1334 400 N. Ingalls• Sponsored by School of Nursing Office of Multicultural Affairs• Click here for more information.

Book Club Discussion Facilitated by Dr. Patricia Coleman-Burns, Director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs and Assisant Professor at U of M School of Nursing.

Book Synopsis
What's in a word? When it comes to "nigger," the better question is what isn't? Whatever one thinks of its usage, the granddaddy of ethnic slurs is much more than a stick or stone that can be deflected with self-esteem and forgotten until the next encounter. Please join us for this in depth and controversial discussion!

Contact: Paige Prieskorn { ppriesko@umich.edu 734-936-1615 www.nursing.umich.edu/oma }

Unveiling Injustice, Erasing Pain: The Art of Spoken Word 7:00 PM • Michigan League Underground• Sponsored by Zeta Sigma Chi Multicultural Sorority, Incorporated• Click here for more information.

Contact: Chanel Harris { harriscl@umich.edu }

Wednesday, January 16
NO! The Rape Documentary Film Screening and Discussion with Director Aishah Simmons 7:00 PM • Lorch Hall Auditorium• Sponsored by Sexual Assault Prevention and Awareness Center (SAPAC), Women's Issue Commission (WIC), and the Michigan Student Assembly Budget Priorities Committee• Click here for more information.

NO! The Rape Documentary unveils the reality of rape, other forms of sexual violence, and healing in African-American communities. This documentary by Aishah Simmons features testimonials from Black women survivors who defy victimization. Violence prevention advocates, sociologists, historians, anthropologists, and other leading scholars provide an interdisciplinary context with which to examine sexual violence in African-American communities. Impacting archival footage, spirited music, dance, and performances from award-winning poets take viewers on a journey from enslavement of African people through present day.

Since 1992, Aishah Shahidah Simmons has used the written word and the camera lens as a producer, writer, and director, to make central the impact of the intersections of oppressions on the lives of Black women. She is an award-winning African American feminist, lesbian independent documentary filmmaker, television and radio producer, published writer, international lecturer, and activist based in Philadelphia. Her previously completed internationally acclaimed short videos Silence…Broken and in In My Father’s House explore the issues of race, gender, homophobia, rape and misogyny.

Alice Walker, the Pulitzer Prize winning author of The Color Purple says, “If the Black
community in the Americas and in the world would save itself, it must complete the work
‘NO!’ begins.”

Join us on the evening of Wednesday, January 16, 2008 to view NO! and to discuss with
Ms. Simmons the issues raised by her film. Additionally, SAPAC will hold a brown bag
lunch the following afternoon during which attendees of the previous evening’s event can
engage in a more intimate conversation with Ms. Simmons about the important work that
she does.

Contact: Alexis Watts and Jamie Budnick { 734.998.9368 SAPAC Business Office }

Discussion of Environmental Justice and Opportunities to Make a Difference 8:00 PM •
Michigan Union, Specific Room TBA • Sponsored by MSA Environmental Issues Comission •
Click here for more information.

Contact: Maia Dedrick { (651) - 303-0490, maiad@umich.edu }

Thursday, January 17
Jews & Blacks in New York City 12:00 PM • Frankel Center for Judaic Studies 202 S. Thayer
St., Room 2022 Ann Arbor, MI 48104 • Sponsored by Frankel Institute for Advanced Judaic
Studies • Click here for more information.

How is Harlem represented in modern African-American literature? And how is the
Lower East Side portrayed in modern Jewish-American literature? In this presentation,
Catherine Rottenberg, a Frankel Institute Fellow, will compare the depiction of these two
"ethnic" enclaves in the works of Michael Gold, Nella Larsen, Wallace Thurman, and
Anzia Yezierska, arguing that the representation of city space can tell us about the
different ways these minority groups understood their "racial," class, and gender
identities in the early twentieth century.

Catherine Rottenberg is Lecturer in Gender Studies at Ben-Gurion University. She is at
the Frankel Institute for Advanced Judaic Studies for the 2007-08 academic year.

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Terrence Roberts of The Little Rock Nine: Lessons from Little Rock 3:00 PM • Michigan Union,
Pendleton Room • Sponsored by the Office of Academic Multicultural Initiatives • Click here for
more information.
Dr. Roberts was one of the Little Rock Nine (the nine children who were the first to integrate the Little Rock Public Schools in 1957). In his presentation, Dr. Roberts guides participants through the exploration of the lessons to be learned from the chaotic episode at Central High School. He believes that there are still great strides to be made in terms of interactions across lines of demarcation. He endeavors to alleviate the confusion in all the various arenas of difference and diversity that characterize our nation. Little Rock offered dramatic examples of negative approaches to difference and the problem those approaches create. The major part of Dr. Roberts presentations is devoted to identifying the lessons and urging the audience to commit to using this information.

Dr. Roberts holds a Ph.D. in Psychology from Southern Illinois University and a MSW from the University of California, Los Angeles. He is licensed in California as both a psychologist and a social worker. He has served since 1975 as CEO of Terrence J. Roberts & Associates, a management consultant firm. This group has provided consultation to a wide variety of clients including Cedars Sinai Hospital, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Internal Revenue Service and Pepperdine University. The group offers expertise in several areas, including managing racial and ethnic diversity and developing multicultural awareness.

Since 1998, Dr. Roberts has been a desegregation consultant for the Little Rock School District. A published author, he also maintains a general psychology practice in Pasadena, CA. He has received numerous awards and is a member of several boards, including Pacific Oaks College Board of Trustees and the Little Rock Nine Foundation.

Contact: Theda Gibbs { 734-936-1055 }

Were we always Christian? 6:00 PM • Michigan League Hussey Room• Sponsored by University Unions Arts and Programs, Iota Phi Theta• Click here for more information.

Be it Catholicism, baptist, evangelical or non-denominational, the majority of Americans practice Christianity. According to the 2001 U.S. Census, 77% of Americans identify themselves as Christian. African-Americans more specifically are not an exception to this rule; and in fact, Christianity has played an important role in the historical struggles and progression of black life. So it begs the question: Were African Americans always Christian? Join us in a short film and presentation/discussion session by a faculty member in the Near Eastern Studies Department on the influences and presence of Christianity and what is often seen as the "other " religion" in black life: Islam. Food will be provided.
Power of Hair • The Union - 2105A • Sponsored by Sigma Lambda Gamma • Click here for more information.

A program to discuss the role of hair in our lives as minority women.

Contact: Erica Galvan { emgalvan@umich.edu }

The Other Side of the Milk Carton: The Disappearance of Minorities • Michigan Union • Sponsored by Zeta Sigma Chi Multicultural Sorority, Incorporated • Click here for more information.

Contact: Chanel Harris { harriscl@umich.edu }

Asian American Activism Now and Then: Fireside Chat with Dan Tsang from East Wind • Yuri Kochiyama Lounge, South Quadrangle (west side) • Sponsored by United Asian American Organizations, Asian/Pacific Islander American Studies • Click here for more information.

The Asian American Movement, a legacy of the Civil Rights Movement, has always been seen as a coastal movement, where large populations of Asian Americans resided. Little do we know about our own campus, and our own activism history that began in 1971, when East Wind, the first Asian American student organization, was formed.

Dan Tsang, a founder of East Wind, will be speaking to us about his activism experiences on University of Michigan campus as an Asian American and a member of the LGBT community. He will also be speaking directly to the challenge of coalition building, as our campus climate is at a crucial point after the passing of Proposal 2.

Refreshments will be provided.

Contact: C.C. Song { ccsong@umich.edu }

Friday, January 18
Ross Net Impact Forum • Michigan Union, 2nd floor • Sponsored by Stephen M. Ross School of Business Net Impact Club • Click here for more information.
We cordially invite you to join us for the 2008 Ross Net Impact Forum: Leading in Thoughtful Action. This year's forum will explore the positive role that business can play in society. Corporations across the globe are recognizing the value of incorporating social and environmental issues into their core strategies, and civil society organizations are increasingly partnering with the private sector to achieve public benefits. Through career-specific and industry-specific panels, the Ross Net Impact Forum will allow attendees to network with representatives from the private, non-profit, and public sectors and learn more about the significance of these issues for future leaders.

Contact: Nina Henning {http://webuser.bus.umich.edu/Organizations/netimpact/forum2008}

Linguistics Colloquium Series presents Benjamin Bailey 4:00 PM • 4448 East Hall• Sponsored by Department of Linguistics• Click here for more information.

Benjamin Bailey is an Associate Professor in the Department of Communication at UMass-Amherst. His research addresses questions of language, identity, and social categories, especially focused on issues of race. He has published work on multilingualism, interethnic communication and conflict, and immigrant communities in the United States, particularly Dominican Americans.

Contact: Sandra Petee {734-764-0353, linguistics.colloquium.committee@umich.edu}

MLK Linguistics Colloquium - Benjamin Bailey (UMass)
Language and Social Boundaries 4:00 PM • 4448 East Hall• Sponsored by Linguistics Department• Click here for more information.

"In this talk I examine ways in which language is used to reflect and reconstitute social identities. Through talk we position ourselves and others relative to co-present interlocutors, the communicative activities in which we are engaged, and various dimensions of the wider world, including social identity categories and their relative value. The indexical dimension of language is a key to these negotiations, as linguistic forms and ways of speaking invoke particular historical and social associations. Indexical meanings are not fixed: while popular indexical associations may pre-exist any given interaction, the meanings of any form are also negotiated and contested in individual interactions. Because social identity negotiations involve both received and negotiated meanings, they provide a means of linking meaning making processes in interactions at the local level with larger social and historical processes, e.g., racial formation. These ideas will be illustrated with examples that highlight the agency of individuals and the indexical power of language in
the constitution of ethnic and racial identities."

Contact: Kristen McLeod { 764-0353 }

Sunday, January 20
"Something the Lord Made," Movie Showing 6:00 PM • W.M. Trotter Multicultural Center 1443 Washtenaw Ave. Located off "Frat Row." For directions, call: 734-763-3670 (Trotter). For more information on this event and other events sponsored by the Office of Multi-Ethnic Student Affairs, call our offi• Sponsored by Office of Multi-Ethnic Student Affairs & W. M. Trotter Multicultural Center• Click here for more information.

The 2004 Emmy Away and 2005 Peabody Award-HBO movie is about two doctors working in the South, amidst the lofty Jim Crow Laws. This movie explains how the black legendary cardiac pioneer, Vivien Theodore Thompson, embarked upon curing the, "Blue Baby Syndrome," with white doctor Alfred Blalock. This remarkable surgery happened to mark a profound turning point in the field of cardiac medicine and intervention.

You are invited to enjoy freshly popped, movie style popcorn, drinks and other refreshments and watch the movie, "Something the Lord Made," starring Mos Def. This is the perfect opportunity for individuals to gain a better understanding of the work Mos Def does as a an actor, outside of his professional career as a hip-hop artist.

Limited parking is available in the back lot of the Trotter Multicultural Center.

Contact: Kathleen Kirkland { 734-763-9044 }

Monday, January 21: Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King, Junior Day
15th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. National Day of Service 8:00 AM • University of Michigan Dearborn University Center• Sponsored by Student Activities Office• Click here for more information.

Volunteers will be dispersed throughout the Metro Detroit area and will provide much needed support to local community agencies. After volunteering, participants will return to the UM-Dearborn campus for an afternoon program.

Contact: Randy Dillard { Phone: 313-593-5667, email: rdillard@umd.umich.edu }
MLK Children & Youth Program: A mixture of creativity, dialogue, and entertainment for the K-12 community. 8:30 AM • Modern Language Building, 812 East Washington, Ann Arbor• Sponsored by School of Education• Click here for more information.

The K-12 community throughout Washtenaw County is invited to explore the life and legacy of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, in a day of planned entertainment, dialogue, and creativity. Parents may drop off their children and pick them up at the end of the program schedule. The schedule is as follows:

8:30-9:10 Registration
9:10-3pm Program (Lunch will be served)
3:00pm Pick up

Contact: { Pre-register at http://www.umich.edu/~tauep/mlkkids.html }

ISR MLK, Jr. Day Reception 9:00 AM • ISR-Thompson Bldg., room 6050 426 Thompson Street, Ann Arbor• Sponsored by University of Michigan Institute for Social Research• Click here for more information.

You are invited to join your colleagues on this special day to celebrate the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.:

*Participate in a multimedia event commemorating MLK, Jr.'s commitment to racial and social justice. The multimedia slide presentation will run all day in room 6050

*Learn about continuing events honoring MLK, Jr. across campus and at the Institute for Social Research.

Refreshments will be provided.

Contact: Margaret C. Levenstein { 734- 615-9088, maggiel@umich.edu }

Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Lecture 10:00 AM • Hill Auditorium• Sponsored by Office of Academic Multicultural Initiatives• Click here for more information.
Lou Gossett Jr. remains one of the most sought after and busiest veteran actors in the film and television industry today. His unique talent for portraying powerful and charismatic characters has charmed audiences worldwide, resulting in an impressive amount of coveted awards, including an Oscar, Emmy, and Golden Globe.

Gossett first gained recognition in the New York theatre scene, where at the age of 16, he won a Donaldson award for “Best Newcomer,” beating out a young James Dean. Soon he was offered a prestigious Broadway role opposite Sidney Poitier in A Raisin in the Sun and he went on to star in the film version, paving the way for a long and rewarding career.

In 1977 Gossett captured an Emmy, television’s highest honor, for his compelling portrayal of “Fiddler” in the historic television mini-series, Roots. In 1982, he electrified the screen with his unforgettable portrayal of a relentless military sergeant in the hit film An Officer and a Gentleman, earning him to the ultimate acting honor, an Academy Award for “Best Supporting Actor.” He struck gold again in 1992 for his poignant work in HBO’s The Josephine Baker Story, and garnered a Golden Globe. Even in a guest-starring role for the popular CBS series Touched by an Angel, Gossett’s work was singled out and he received the 1998 NAACP Image Award.

Throughout his career, Gossett has turned in numerous outstanding performances, resulting in eight additional Emmy nominations. His passion for his work is matched only by his strong belief in helping others by giving back to the community. He serves as a spokesperson and a behind the scenes leader for many charitable organizations. Gossett is currently developing a nonprofit foundation, The Eracism Foundation, with the aim of developing and producing entertainment that brings awareness and education to issues such as racism, ignorance, and societal apathy.

Contact: Theda Gibbs { (734) 936-1055 }

Simulcast of the 2008 MLK Symposium Keynote Address by Lou Gossett, Jr. 10:00 AM • Gallery in the Duderstadt Center, North Campus, 2281 Bonisteel Boulevard • Sponsored by Digital Media Commons • Click here for more information.

Watch a simulcast of the 2008 MLK Symposium Keynote Address by Lou Gossett, Jr. from North Campus. This simulcast is provided for the convenience of people unable to attend the live event in Hill Auditorium on Central Campus. The keynote will be streamed live and projected on a large screen.
March & Rally to Reverse the Drop in Minority Enrollment and Undo Proposal 2 • Gather at South University and South Forest and March Rally at 12noon at the Diag • Sponsored by BAMN • Click here for more information.

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere": A dialogue with Spero M. Manson • Dow Auditorium in the Towsley Center, UM Hospital, Second Floor • Sponsored by the Schools of Dentistry, Medcient, Nursing, Public Health, Social Work, College of Pharmacy and the University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers • Click here for more information.

Spero M. Manson, Ph.D. (Pembina Chippewa) is a member of the US Institutes of Medicine and Professor of Psychiatry and heads the American Indian and Alaska Native Programs at the University of Colorado at Denver and Health Sciences Center. Spanning 8 national centers, totaling $63 million in sponsored research, program development, training, and collaboration with 102 American Indian and Alaska Native communities, Dr. Manson is widely recognized as the foremost authority in the nation on American Indian and Alaska Native health, with special emphasis on alcohol, substance abuse, and mental health. Dr. Manson will discuss the intersections of social justice, strategies for addressing and resolving health disparities in the United States.

Women’s Resource Center presents: The Second Annual Noon Day Observance Program • University Center - Kochoff Hall University of Michigan Dearborn • Sponsored by UMD MLK Committee and the Student Activities Office • Click here for more information.

Students, faculty, and staff will join together in commemorating the life and the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The program will once again feature a graceful performance from the UM-Dearborn campus-wide choir.

Contact: Randy Dillard { rdillard@umd.umich.edu, Phone: (313) 593-5390 }
The Roots of Soul Food: African American Nutritional Traditions of the late 19 C in SE USA 12:10 PM • 182 Dennison Auditoriums Church Street UM Main Campus, Ann Arbor MI• Sponsored by BIO 102 Practical Botany, Dept of Ecology and Evolution• Click here for more information.

This event is an MLK day teach-in lecture at the time and place when BIO 102 Practical Botany would otherwise take place. The topic is related to the subject matter of the course, but also oriented toward African American culture of the late 19th century in SE USA. The lecture discusses the home gardens of plantation slaves, how these gardens complement other food provided, and the nutritional value of the resulting diet.

Contact: Professor George F. Estabrook { gfe@umich.edu (734) 764-6219 }

Environmental Justice and Environmental Health 1:00 PM • The University of Michigan School of Public Health, Community Crossroads Building• Sponsored by The EHS Student Organization and the EHS Department• Click here for more information.

We are sponsoring a mini-symposium on Environmental Justice to commemorate one of the many important legacies of Dr. King. Full details are pending and will be available on our Department's website in the weeks preceding the event(http://www.sph.umich.edu/ehs/index.html).

Contact: Howard Hu, M.D. { howardhu@umich.edu }

Civil Rights Behind Bars? The Voices of the Incarcerated on Dr. King’s Dream _1:00 PM • Anderson Room: Michigan Union• Sponsored by Prison Creative Arts Project• Click here for more information.

In this year’s MLK Symposium, incarcerated citizens will respond to the messages of Martin Luther King Jr. and discuss current civil rights issues. We will receive the prisoners’ responses through mail correspondence and will print the responses into an anthology. Some of these responses will be read at the event by our speakers. We hope to expose students to a new perspective on incarcerated citizens and on civil rights issues that affect this population. The United States currently has the highest incarceration rate in the world, with rates disproportionately high for the African American population. Our goal is to give a voice to a community that is often not heard, especially in regards to civil rights issues. By exposure to the thoughts of incarcerated citizens, we hope that the University of Michigan and Ann Arbor community can better understand current civil rights issues and reflect on the ideals of Martin Luther King Jr.
Socio-Economic Barriers to Health 1:00 PM • 3735 CCRB (Bickner Auditorium) 401 Washtenaw Ave Ann Arbor, MI 48109 • Sponsored by Kinesiology Student Government • Click here for more information.

This will be a panel discussion regarding health care disparities.

Contact: Tim Martin { martints@umich.edu }

An Afternoon with Martin and Langston, Featuring Dramatic Presentations by Ben Vereen and Felix Justice 1:00 PM • Power Center for the Performing Arts 121 Fletcher Street Ann Arbor, MI 48109 • Sponsored by Business and Finance Diversity Committee • Click here for more information.

This program will draw the audience inside the worlds of two of the greatest orators of the 20th century. Felix Justice transforms into Martin Luther King Jr. through recitation of Dr. King's most memorable speeches, recreating the power of the man and his message. Justice then introduces "an old friend of mine," and Ben Vereen portrays one of the greatest American writers in modern history, Langston Hughes. After the performance, Vereen and Justice will answer questions from the audience. Refreshments served following the question-and-answer session.

Contact: Madolyn Lottman { bfdiversity@umich.edu }

Simulcast of An Afternoon with Martin and Langston, Featuring Dramatic Presentations by Ben Vereen and Felix Justice 1:00 PM • Gallery, Duderstadt Center (North Campus) • Sponsored by Digital Media Commons • Click here for more information.

Watch a simulcast of the presentation by Felix Justice and Ben Vereen. This simulcast is provided for the convenience of people unable to attend the live event in Power Center on Central Campus. The presentation will be streamed live and projected on a large screen.

Contact: Glenda Radine { 763-3266, dc-events@umich.edu, www.dc.umich.edu/dmc }

Rackham Graduate School's "Journeys Toward Understanding" 1:30 PM • Amphitheatre, 4th flr, Rackham Graduate School 915 E. Washington Street, Ann Arbor, MI 48109 • Sponsored by • Click here for more information.

Rackham Graduate School presents, “Journeys Toward Understanding. Three films will be shown that illustrate how racism can be eradicated when there is concern and
commitment toward equality for everyone — no matter where or how it occurs.

Cry, The Beloved Country  
Start time: 1:30 p.m.  
Directed by: Darrell Roodt  
Starring: James Earl Jones and Richard Harris  
Release date: 1995  
Running time: 106 minutes  
Genre: Drama

Referred to as part of the South African collective zeitgeist, “Cry the Beloved Country” is a poignant tale of two prominent members, one white, one black, of the same small town. However, because of racial segregation, the two men do not know each other until a similar tragedy hits them both. It is this twist of fate that brings them together and allows them to begin healing both emotionally and metaphorically as a nation. It is clichéd to say that the world would be a better place if we were collectively more understanding and tolerant of those who were different from us, but “Cry the Beloved Country” brings this sentiment forward in a way that is realistic and powerful.

(Break: 15 minutes)

Journey to Little Rock  
Start time: 3:30 p.m.  
Directed by: Rob Thomson  
Released: 2001  
Running time: 52 minutes  
Genre: Documentary

Critically acclaimed “Journey to Little Rock” is the story of Minnijean Brown Trickey, a member of the Little Rock Nine. Motivated by the decision of Brown vs. The Board of Education in 1954, nine African American students enter an all-white school in 1957 against the will of many, including the Arkansas Governor and the National Guard. In their fight for an education that was rightly theirs, Minnijean and the eight other students have become iconic figures in the fight for civil rights. This film is a winner of the Audience Choice Award: Feature Film Category at the Sprockets Toronto International Film Festival for Children (April 2004) and the Best of Fest Award at the 2003 Chicago International Children’s Film Festival (CICFF), chosen over 200 films from 40 countries. It was the first time in the 20-year history of the CICFF, the only Academy Awards® qualifying children’s festival, that a documentary was voted as the best film.
4 Little Girls
Start Time: 4:30 p.m.
Directed by: Spike Lee
Released: 1997
Running time: 102 minutes
Genre: Documentary

This Spike Lee film retells the story of four African American girls who lost their lives in the racially motivated bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in Birmingham Alabama in 1963. A terrorist attack, orchestrated by Robert “Dynamite Bob” Chambliss, the bombing was one in a series of racial attacks against Black people across the country, but one that had a tremendous impact on America. Told through the eyes of people who were there—survivors, witnesses, defenders and prosecutors, we observe not only the pain caused by this tragedy, but we also see its lingering effects.

Contact: Lynne Shivers { lshivers@umich.edu }

"Divided We Fall: Americans in the Aftermath" Documentary Screening and Discussion with Filmmaker Valarie Kaur 2:00 PM • Michigan Union Ballroom• Sponsored by University Library, Bentley Historical Library, Information Technology Central Services, Law Library, School of Information, and University Housing• Click here for more information.

A powerful new feature-length documentary film on hate violence in the aftermath of 9/11. Driven to action by the murder of a turbaned man in her community, a college student drives across America in the aftermath of 9/11 to discover stories that did not make the evening news. From the still-shocked streets of Ground Zero to the desert towns of the American West, Valarie Kaur's inspiring journey uncovers remarkable stories of hate violence, fear, and unspeakable loss – until she finds the heart of America halfway around the world, in the words of a widow. Five years in the making, Divided We Fall deftly explores race, religion, and identity in times of national crisis.

Filmmaker Valarie Kaur present for Q&A following the screening.

Open to the public
Free admission
About the Filmmakers
VALARIE KAUR began this film in fall 2001. It became part of her senior honors project at Stanford, where she graduated in 2003 with a double major in religious studies and international relations. She recently completed a master's degree at Harvard Divinity School and will enter Yale Law School in 2008. Valarie Kaur has been interviewed by numerous media outlets, including NPR and the BBC, and her story was featured in a book by Frances Moore Lappe, You Have the Power: Choosing Courage in a Culture of Fear (2004).

SHARAT RAJU graduated from the University of Michigan and received an MFA in directing at the American Film Institute. American Made, his thesis film, earned both of the AFI's top two honors in directing. The film has won seventeen international awards. Among the accolades are: Tribeca Film Festival Student Visionary Award; Angelus Award Grand Prize; San Diego Film Festival Best Short Film and British Academy of Film and Television Arts and Sciences (Los Angeles) Excellence in Short Filmmaking Award. It has been screened on PBS television stations across the country. He is currently a directing fellow with the ABC-Disney Television Group.

Contact: Helen Look { http://www.lib.umich.edu/mlk }

The Elite Latino/ Black/ Asian/ Multi-Racial: Educated, Successful, and Confused. A conversation on race, class, and privilege. 2:00 PM • Union: 2:00-4:00 PM Lecture in Kuenzal Room 5:00-8:30 PM Workshop in Parker Room • Sponsored by Sigma Lambda Beta, Zeta Chapter • Click here for more information.

Michael Benitez Jr will speak about the different perspectives of minorities in leadership roles through the eyes of different communities. How is a person of color supposed to adapt to the workforce? What are the ways a person can give back, help facilitate change and bring up his or her old communities: educationally, financially, structurally? What are the challenges that are presented in the workforce, community and family of a professional minority?

Contact: Sigma Lambda Beta, Zeta Chapter { slbzeta@umich.edu }

Circle of Unity 3:00 PM • Diag • Sponsored by Michigan Community Scholars Program, Lloyd Hall Scholars Program, Health Science Scholars Program, Comprehensive Studies Program, Ginsberg Center, Couzens Hall, Adelia Cheever, Residential College, WISE and Michigan Research Community • Click here for more information.
The 2nd annual "Circle of Unity", sponsored by the MCSP Program & Adelia Cheever Program, will take place on the Michigan Diag on Jan. 21, 3-4 pm. Help fill the entire Diag in songs of freedom and spoken word performances with your fellow students, staff, faculty, and community members. Free wristbands for first 250 participants.

Contact: Amanda Hooper or Jelani Bayi { 734-647-4860, amhooper@umich.edu or sdotbayi@umich.edu }

Character Isn't An Audible: Growth With Integrity 2:00 PM • Rackham Auditorium • Sponsored by Stephen M. Ross School of Business • Click here for more information.

Speaker: Tiki Barber
Retired NFL Running Back, NBC Today Correspondent, "Football Night in America" Analyst

Lecture to be followed by book-signing

Contact: Lynnette Iannace { events@umich.edu }

Law School Presents James Forman, Jr 2:30 PM • 250 Hutchins Hall • Sponsored by Law School Office of Student Affairs and Various Law School Student Groups • Click here for more information.

James Forman, Jr., co-founder of the See Forever private school and the Maya Angelou Public Charter school, both in Washington, DC. He is currently teaching at Georgetown University Law School. The title for his talk is "Race, Crime and Schools: A Civil Rights Agenda for This Generation".

Contact: Trudy Feldkamp { Phone: 734-936-0776; tfeldkam@umich.edu }

A Time to Break the Silence 2:30 PM • Michigan League - Vandenburgh Room • Sponsored by School of Music, Theatre & Dance • Click here for more information.

Panel discussion on The Arts and Social Justice
Panelists to include Aaron Dworkin of The Sphinx Organization.

Contact: Daniel Washington { 734 615-3734, dawash@umich.edu }

Jobs and Housing: Trust, Distrust, and Social Class in the Black Community 3:00 PM • Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy Annenberg Auditorium, 1120 Weill Hall 735 S. State Street Ann
Symposium featuring Mary Patillo (Princeton University) author of "Black on the Block: The Politics of Race and Class in the City" and Sandra Smith (University of California, Berkeley) author of "Lone Pursuit: Distrust and Defensive Individualism Among the Black Poor." Both scholars will discuss their books with comments by University of Michigan professor David Harding. Reception and book signing to follow.

Contact: Sarah Marsh { skmarsh@umich.edu, npc.umich.edu }

"Black Indians: An American Story" is a distinguished documentary which presents the rarely-told story of the racial fusion of Native and African-Americans. It is a story which literally begins with the birth of America, in the presence of the mixed-race Boston Massacre martyr Crispus Attucks, and which follows the deadlier aspects of the 19th century through the Seminole War (where runaway slaves joined Seminole warriors in Florida in armed conflict against the invading U.S. Army) and the expulsion of the Cherokee nation on the infamous Trail of Tears (where black Indians within the Cherokee orbit faced the no-win choice of either leaving with their brethren into forced exile or staying behind to live in slavery). Rich with interviews with people of Native and African-American heritage, the documentary addresses issues of silence, invisibility, and justice. Professor Momper will introduce the documentary and facilitate a 30 minute panel discussion and community dialogue after the presentation. Light refreshments will be available.

Contact: Sandra Momper { smomper@umich.edu, 998-6323 }

Faculty and student performers

Contact: Daniel Washington { 734 615-3734, dawash@umich.edu }

Marjorie Lee Browne Colloquium: Juan Meza presents "I Want to Be a (Computational) Mathematician" 4:00 PM • 1360 East Hall, 530 Church Street • Sponsored by Department of Mathematics • Click here for more information.
Dr. Juan Meza, Head of the High Performance Computing Research Department, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory.

Abstract: Twenty years ago Halmos wrote a wonderful book entitled, "I Want to Be a Mathematician", describing his life as a mathematician, while also giving us a history of mathematics from the 1930's to the 1980's. I read his book while in graduate school and delighted in the stories and his perspectives on life as a mathematician. In this talk, I'd like to give my own perspective, beginning when I became interested in mathematics as an undergraduate to today, focusing on some recent work on new algorithms, massively parallel computers, and the application of both to some of today's most challenging problems. This combination of mathematics with computers has given rise to the field of computational mathematics, which has helped to advance computational science to the point that many people today now view it as the third pillar of science alongside experiments and theory. I will give examples of the power of computational mathematics drawn from my personal experiences and explain how mathematics amplifies scientific research. I will conclude with some thoughts on the future of computational and applied mathematics and what I see as the challenging new opportunities for helping science and society as a whole.

Contact: Suzanne Rogers { suzannej@umich.edu }

The My Lai Massacre in Vietnam: A Film and Panel on the 40th Anniversary of the Massacre 7:00 PM • East Quad, Room 126 • Sponsored by Residential College • Click here for more information.

There will be a showing of the film, "Remember My Lai," and a panel discussion on war crimes - in Vietnam and elsewhere.

Contact: Henry Greenspan { hgreensp@umich.edu }

MOS DEF Big Band: A Tribute to Detroit's J Dilla 7:30 PM • Hill Auditorium • Sponsored by University Musical Society • Click here for more information.

For additional information and tickets you may contact The University Musical Society via website at http://www.ums.umich.edu/s_current_season/artist.asp?pageid=451

Contact: { }
**Tuesday, January 22**
Multicultural Career Fair **2:00 PM • Michigan Union** Sponsored by The Career Center, Division of Student Affairs Click here for more information.

The Multicultural Career Fair is an opportunity for students and alumni to interact with employers actively seeking to diversify their workforce.

Contact: Steve Williams { 734 764 7460, stwi@umich.edu }

**Wednesday, January 23**
The Social Identity Binary: Who Gets Left Behind? A Brown Bag **12:00 PM • MSA Chambers** Sponsored by The Program on Intergroup Relations Click here for more information.

In talking about issues of social justice, social identity is often discussed as a binary: men/women; people of color/white people; LGB/heterosexual among others. To what extent is a binary construct necessary to bring about social change? To what extent is it harmful? In a binary construction of identity, who gets left behind and why? This brown bag session will explore these questions and engage Dr. King’s assertion that "injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.”

Contact: Joseph Person { personj@umich.edu, 734.936.1875, www.igr.umich.edu }

Book Club Sponsored by the Mardigian Library & Student Activities Office **12:00 PM • University Center, Kochoff Hall B University of Michigan Dearborn** Sponsored by UMD MLK Committee and the Student Activities Office Click here for more information.

The Mardigian Library has scheduled a special session of their R.E.A.D (Read, Eat, Discuss) program in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The selected reading for this event will be.

A Call to Conscience: The Landmark Speeches of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Contact: Randy Dillard { rdillard@umd.umich.edu, Phone: (313) 593-5390 }

“Meeting Martin and Malcolm” **1:30 PM • University Center - Kochoff Hall C University of Michigan Dearborn** Sponsored by UMD MLK Committee and the Student Activities Office Click here for more information.

An interactive character portrayal of a meeting between Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Malcolm X. Jeffrey May and Corey Baskin will provide riveting social commentary and
debate on issues both old and new.

Contact: Randy Dillard { rdillard@umd.umich.edu, Phone: (313) 593-5390 }

From Silent Spring to Silent Night: What have we learned? 6:00 PM • Rackham Auditorium
Sponsored by Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program
Click here for more information.

Tyrone Hayes, Professor Integrative Biology, University of California, Berkeley, will speak about his experiences conducting research on the herbicide atrazine, a potent endocrine disrupter that chemically castrates and feminizes exposed male amphibians. His findings threatened the corporate sponsor of his research and led to attacks on his academic credentials and personal integrity.

Professor Hayes is a Professor of Integrative Biology at the University of California, Berkeley. Pesticides like atrazine are ubiquitous, persistent contaminants and, though more pronounced in amphibians, the effects described above occur in all vertebrate classes (fish, amphibians, reptiles, and mammals) examined, via common mechanisms. These observations demonstrate the critical impact that pesticides have on environmental health.

Furthermore, reproductive cancers and birth defects associated with exposure to many of these same chemicals (e.g. atrazine) via identical mechanisms demonstrate that the impact on environmental health is an indicator of a negative impact on public health. Many of these mechanisms are being revealed only now in the scientific literature and agencies (such as the US Environmental Protection Agency) are ill-equipped to deal with this emergent science and translate it efficiently into health-protective policies.

In particular, ethnic minority and lower socio-economic communities are at risk: More likely to live in contaminated communities, work in occupations that increase hazard exposure and less likely to have educational and healthcare access.

Given the importance of this science and relevance to public health, there is a strong need to translate this information and provide public access to this knowledge. Command of the science and active involvement by the public in policy decisions is vital.

Contact: Sandra Gregerman { 615-9000 sgreger@umich.edu }
Thursday, January 24
The Diagnosis and Management of Autoimmune Blistering Disease in the 21st Century 8:30 AM • 1911 Taubman Center • Sponsored by Department of Dermatology • Click here for more information.

Jennifer Haley, M.D.
Assistant Clinical Professor
Department of Dermatology
David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA

Dr. Haley is the MLK Visiting Professor to the UM Department of Dermatology. Her lecture will take place in the dermatology conference room. Space is limited.

Contact: Lisa Clark { lisclark@umich.edu }

The Multiple Identities We Bring to our Clinical Work 8:30 AM • East Hall • Sponsored by University Center for the Child and the Family • Click here for more information.

This retreat will focus on helping participants to identify the multiple identities which they have, and how these impact our work with others. (CLOSED EVENT: FOR UCCF STAFF AND STUDENTS ONLY)

Contact: Jerry Miller { jmmiller@umich.edu }

Foreclosing on the American Dream 6:00 PM • Art + Architecture Building, Room 2104 • Sponsored by UP-MLK Committee, Department of Urban Planning and Regional Planning, Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, and the School of Social Work • Click here for more information.

Why have people of color been more affected by the recent home foreclosures? Should homeownership be the ideal for all families? The Urban Planning MLK committee will bring together a panel of local community leaders, civil rights activists, and university professors to examine why this problem occurred and better understand the impact on our communities.

Contact: Rachel Wells { rbwells@umich.edu }

Memorial Fundraising Dinner Sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. & Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. 7:00 PM • Fairlane Center North Quad E (Conference Hall) University of Michigan • Sponsored by UMD MLK Committee and the Student Activities Office • Click here for more information.
The goal of this event is to help raise money as a campus community in order to honor a man whose speeches, sermons and public addresses presented themes of democracy deeply embedded in the American conscience. Your support would allow us to make a donation on behalf of the University of Michigan-Dearborn, all funds raised will be go towards the development and construction of the King Monument in our nation’s capital.

Contact: Randy Dillard { rdillard@umd.umich.edu, Phone: (313) 593-5390 }

Tau Beta Pi Luncheon: Energy Independence: Sustainable or unattainable? 11:30 PM • Johnson Rooms, Lurie Engineering Center, North Campus• Sponsored by Tau Beta Pi and the College of Engineering• Click here for more information.

The 10th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Winter Luncheon Series Hosted by the College of Engineering and Tau Beta Pi

All events are from 11:30 – 1:00 PM (discussion begins at 12:00) in the Johnson Rooms, Lurie Engineering Center.

Contact: Samantha Stewart { samjstew@umich.edu }

Friday, January 25

A Conversation on Race: Featuring Tim Wise Author of: “White Like Me: reflections on race from a Privileged Son” 1:00 PM • University Center- Kochoff Hall University of Michigan Dearborn• Sponsored by UMD MLK Committee and the Student Activities Office• Click here for more information.

A open and honest discussion on race from a White male perspective. Is White Privilege reality or just rhetoric from minorities? Tim Wise will answer those questions and more.

Contact: Randy Dillard { rdillard@umd.umich.edu, Phone: (313) 593-5390 }
Theresa Perry: co-author *To Be Young Gifted and Black: Promoting High Achievement Among African American Students* 1:00 PM • Michigan Union, Pendleton Room• Sponsored by the Office of Academic Multicultural Initiatives• Click here for more information.

Theresa Perry is a Professor in the Departments of Africana Studies and Education at Simmons College and Director of the Simmons College/Beacon Press Race, Education and Democracy Lecture and Book Series. Her current writings and work have focused on the development of a theory of practice for African American achievement and a meta-analysis of educational environments that normalize high achievement for Black students. Dr. Perry is co-author, with the late Asa Hilliard III and Claude Steele of *Young Gifted and Black: Promoting High Achievement Among African American Students*, co-editor with Lisa Delpit of *The Real Ebonics Debate: Power Language and the Education of African American Students*, editor of *Teaching Malcolm X*, and co-editor of *Freedom's Plow: Teaching in the Multicultural Classroom*. She is completing a book entitled, *Educating African American Students: What Teachers, Teacher Educators and Community Activists Should Know*.

1:00pm- Lecture start time with Dr. Theresa Perry.

Lecture Title: "Now I know the Pathway from Slavery to Freedom..." (Frederick Douglass) - Toward a New Conversation About African American School Achievement

2:30-4:30pm- Workshop with Dr. Perry, teachers, parents, and other interested students, educators, and community members

Workshop Title: Raising the Achievement of African American Students: Interrogating our Beliefs, Changing our Practices

Contact: Theda Gibbs { 734-936-1055 }

**Saturday, January 26**

Alfred L. Edwards 32nd Annual BBSA Conference 8:00 AM • Four Points Sheraton• Sponsored by Black Business Students Association at the Ross School of Business• Click here for more information.

Please join the Ross BBSA on January 24 – 27, 2008 for what promises to be an exciting opportunity for business professionals and students to exchange knowledge, experience and wisdom, in addition to networking and social opportunities. The weekend also offers
an opportunity for every member of the greater Ross BBSA family to reaffirm their commitment to the development of business acumen and opportunity within the African-American community, especially in the face of adversity.

The theme of this year’s annual conference is Advancing Diversity in Times of Adversity. Join us as we explore the issues facing the African American community in the wake of events such as Proposal 2. The Ross BBSA is proud to present keynote speakers; Ramsey Jay Jr. – Associate Analyst at Ares Management, Carla Harris – Managing Director of Global Capital Markets at Morgan Stanley, and Ed Gordon – Emmy award winning broadcaster.

For more information please visit - www.rossbbsa.com/conference

Contact: { www.rossbbsa.com/conference }

Sunday, January 27
Strip Yourself of Discrimination 8:00 PM • Michigan Union Ballroom• Sponsored by Boxes and Walls• Click here for more information.

The event will run from January 28th- February 1, 2008 from 6-10. Each tour is 30-45 minutes long. Boxes and Walls is a student organization that hosts an interactive museum where in each room, there is a type of discrimination being portrayed. Visitors will go through a tour in which they visit all of the rooms and experience the discrimination. This term's rooms focus on the minority groups of women, the LGBT community, Arab Americans, Mixed Students, and South Asians, and we also have a room exploring socioeconomic status.

Contact: Aissatou Barry { bwcore@umich.edu, www.umich.edu/~umboxes }

Monday, January 28
/Killer of Sheep/: Film Screening and Q-&-A with Filmmaker 7:00 PM • Michigan Theater 603 East Liberty Street Ann Arbor, MI 48104 http://michtheater.org • Sponsored by Michigan Theater; UM Center for Afroamerican and African Studies• Click here for more information.

Filmmaker Charles Burnett will visit Ann Arbor as part of the 2008 MLK Symposium. His celebrated film, /Killer of Sheep/ (1977) will screen at the Michigan Theater on Monday, January 28th at 7pm. Open to the Public, tickets are $5. A short Q & A with the filmmaker will follow the film. Visit < http://www.killerofsheep.com > for more information about Mr. Burnett and his critically-acclaimed film.

Contact: Rachel Quinn { quinnra@umich.edu }
Tuesday, January 29
"Brown Bag" Discussion with Filmmaker Charles Burnett 12:00 PM • Center for Afroamerican and African Studies 505 S. State St. 4701 Haven Hall Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1045 (734) 764-5513 • Sponsored by Michigan Theatre; UM Center for Afroamerican and African Studies• Click here for more information.

Please join us for a free, public "Brown Bag" Discussion with filmmaker Charles Burnett. Mr. Burnett will discuss his career as a filmmaker, as well as his celebrated film /Killer of Sheep/. (Please note: /Killer of Sheep/ will screen at the Michigan Theater on 28 January at 7P; the screening is open to the public, at a cost of $5. Please see the event listing on the MLK 2008 Symposium web page for further details.)

Visit <http://www.killerofsheep.com> for more information about Mr. Burnett and his critically acclaimed film.

Contact: Rachel Quinn { quinnra@umich.edu }

North Campus MLK Spirit Awards Ceremony 4:30 PM • Slusser Gallery, School of Art and Design • Sponsored by Taubman College of Architecture & Urban Planning; School of Art and Design; College of Engineering; School of Music, Theatre & Dance• Click here for more information.

Please join the North Campus community as we celebrate the recipients of the 13th Annual North Campus MLK Spirit Awards.

Contact: Jennifer Wegner { 647-7155 }

Thursday, January 31
Bitter Sweets: Labor, Militarization and the Human Rights Crisis in the Philippines 7:00 PM • Angell Hall Auditorium C • Sponsored by Asian Languages and Cultures Department, the United Asian American Organizations• Click here for more information.

"Bitter Sweets: Labor, Militarization and the Human Rights Controversy in the Philippines": Thursday, January 31/7-9PM//Auditorium C, Angell Hall

Purpose: To raise awareness and funds for the families of those killed and/or missing due to extra-judicial killings and human rights violations in the Philippines. This will be done through the screening of a documentary called "The Philippines - State of Denial," made by the Foreign Correspondent regarding the disappearance and potential slaying of two University of the Philippines students (also students of Professor Barrios). A
discussion will be led by Professor Barrios, a leading activist, poet and organizer from the University of the Philippines; a speaker from the Film Studies Department will also be featured.

Cost: $3 for the screening, as well as an all-you-can-eat chocolate buffet. The buffet will consist of fondue, a chocolate fountain, chocolate tortillas (yes, they're actually quite good!), homemade chocolate truffles and cake, brownies/cookies, chocolate snacks and fresh hot cocoa. *All* proceeds will be for charity and to benefit the victims' families.

Message: The theme "Bitter Sweets" came about because we wanted to convey the "bitterness" of reality regarding the social and political unrest in the Philippines -- compounded by effects of militarization, colonization and immense poverty -- contrasted with the tendency to sweeten, or sugar-coat the truth. This is an issue many Filipino American students are largely unaware of, and the event can also resonate with anyone familiar with human rights crises in Sudan or the plight of organized unions in Latin America.

"Why chocolate?": Aside from serving as the "sweet" component of the theme, we want to make a stand against Nestle Chocolates, as the two most recent presidents of the Nestle Workers Union (the largest union in the Philippines) were murdered by the military for holding strikes and protesting for decent wages/rights.

Contact: Professor Joi Barrios { jbarrios@umich.edu; (617)894-7490 }

Standing on Stolen Land: Poetry from the Margins 9:00 PM • U-Club Michigan Union • Sponsored by U-Club Poetry Slam, Women's Forum • Click here for more information.
Michigan State University

Website: http://www.inclusion.msu.edu/page/mlk_schedule_of_events/

Events

Since 1980, MSU faculty, students and staff have hosted a variety of programs and activities in recognition of Dr. King's birthday and legacy. Each year our program options grow in number and quality and we are pleased to make them available to MSU and the broader campus community. The main program schedule begins on Wednesday, January 15th and runs through January 22nd. Colleges and units are also scheduling activities they plan to host so check the University-wide Calendar frequently for updates.

Showtyme @ MSU

Saturday, January 17, 2009
International Center Food Court
9:00p
This is a “family-friendly” event that is free to the public; tickets are not required to attend. All prizes are donated by the University Activities Board.

Jazz: Spirituals, Prayer and Protest Concerts

Sunday, January 18, 2009
“The Best Is Yet to Come”
Featuring music by Herbie Hancock and Stevie Wonder
Pasant Theatre, Wharton Center
3p and 7p
Free events but must enter with a ticket
Tickets available at the Wharton Center Box Office

Into the Streets

Monday, January 19, 2009
Community agency student volunteer program
Registration, 9:15 a.m.
N-130 Business Complex
For more information contact: Keven Schwemmin

Allen Neighborhood Center
American Red Cross
Baker Donora Focus Center
MSU Botany Greenhouse
Capital Area Center for Independent Living
City Rescue Mission Free Store
East Lansing Health Care
Erickson Learning Centers
Eve, Inc
Habitat for Humanity - Ingham
Habitat for Humanity - Lansing
Mid Michigan Food Bank
Mother Teresa House
Pines Health Care
Riverwind Assisted Living
Ronald McDonald House
Smallfolks Development Center
Whitehills Health Care

Community Celebration Dinner
The **Community Celebration Dinner** began in 2003 for the purpose of bringing staff members, who often don’t get the opportunity to attend MLK programs held during the day, and students together to share in the celebration of the legacy of Dr. King. This is an inclusive event so faculty members and members in the community are welcome to attend. Classes are cancelled on the national day of observance, most dining halls across campus are closed. However, thanks to the Division of Housing and Food Services, they have been gracious enough to open and decorate the dining hall in Akers and provide an outstanding buffet dinner for our guests. Guests that want to attend the dinner must **pre-register**. One “free” ticket is available to MSU staff, students and faculty. Additional tickets can be purchased for $9.50. All reserved tickets will be at the door.

“Change Is Coming”
Akers Hall Dining Cafe’
4:30p to 6:30p
**The program begins at 5:30p**
One **free** dinner ticket is available to MSU staff/administrators, faculty and students. Additional tickets can be purchased at the door for $9.50 each.
**Pre-registration is required.**
Limited seating available.

**Commemorative March**

Since 1980, it has become a tradition for MSU faculty, administrators, students and staff to gather on campus and march to Beaumont Tower to pay tribute to the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Since 2006, the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, of which Dr. King was affiliated, honor this most notable member by serving as the Grand Marshall of the march. We welcome the public to join us to be a part of this time-honored civil rights tradition, particularly this year in recognition of the recent election of Senator Barack Obama (D-IL) as the 44th President of the United States.

**Monday, January 19, 2009**
**Led by: Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.**
**Gathering in the Main Lobby of the Union Building**
**Destination: Beaumont Tower**  
**Start time: 3:30p**

Please join us to show your support for the struggle for civil rights for all.

To register your campus organization for the march, please complete and submit the [online registration form](#).

Questions about the March can be directed to Robert Easterly or by calling 517-353-3129.

**Student Leadership Conference**

For MSU students that want to present at the conference, think about “change” as it relates to the legacy that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. left for us over 40 years ago—nonviolence, social and economic justice, civil rights, and equity for all, and submit topics and content for presentations that focus on the impact that these issues have on us today, along with current and future efforts that are needed to fulfill the Dr. King’s legacy. The MLK Student Leadership Conference is a great opportunity for MSU students, faculty and staff to come together to engage in critical conversations about issues that we face as a nation and throughout the world.

- [Presentation Proposal Application](#)
- [Resource Fair Application](#)

**9:00a to 3:30p**  
**January 19, 2009**  
**MSU Union Building**

For more information about how to get involved in the conference and other student-led MLK activities, please contact Robert Easterly or 517-353-3922, in the Office for Inclusion and Intercultural Initiatives.

**University-wide Calendar**

Honoring the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. has become a university-wide celebration at MSU. Colleges and units across the university join in the celebration by offering a variety of educational opportunities to faculty, students and support staff.

**MSU Libraries**  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Exhibit  
January 7th through January 31, 2009  
MSU Main Library - 1 West
The MSU Libraries will honor Dr. King with a colorful exhibit of library resources and historical memorabilia.

**School of Social Work**
January 19, 2009
*I Have A Dream, the Dream Is Alive*

**MSU Libraries**
Video Showing: *Eyes on the Prize*
January 21, 2009
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
MSU Main Library Lobby

The MSU Libraries will show "Eyes on the Prize". This DVD set highlights Martin Luther King's role in America's Civil Rights Movement with historical footage.

**Writing Contest MSU Law School 2009**

Developed to enforce the 15th Amendment of the United States (US) Constitution, does the Voting Rights Act of 1965 still protect US voters from racial discrimination in the 21st Century? [See PDF for more information]

Submission Deadline: March 1, 2009

**1st Annual Writing Contest for MSU James Madison College Students**

James Madison College / MSU College of Law

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration Program 1st Annual Writing Contest

Contest deadline: March 1, 2009

Gaby Tanner or Mary Ferguson; tannerg@msu.edu

James Madison College and the MSU College of Law are hosting the 1st Annual Writing Contest open to MSU James Madison college students. The deadline for the contest is March 1st, 2009. There will be one contest winner who will be chosen by a panel of readers from MSU Law and James Madison College. The winner will be notified by March 30th, 2009 and will receive the award on the 2nd MSU Law School Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration Program on Friday, April 3rd, 2009. The winner will receive $200 dlls and will recite the paper at the event.

Sponsors: James Madison College; MSU College of Law
College of Human Medicine - MLK Day Invitation

The Michigan State University College of Human Medicine Invites you to a Celebration in Honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

On the Eve of History: The CHM Commitment to Diversity in Medicine

Reflections

W. Donald Weston, MD
Dean Emeritus, College of Human Medicine

Marsha D. Rappley, MD
Dean, Human Medicine and CHM Alumni

Kenya Sekoni, MD, FAAFP
Clinical Assistant Professor, Family Practice Physician and CHM Alumni

CHM Students

Monday, January 19, 2009
3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
A-133 Life Science Building

Please RSVP to
CHMStudentAffairs@hc.msu.edu by January 15, 2009

* The Program will be broadcast to the Grand Rapids Preclinical Campus.

College Of Veterinary Medicine

Martin Luther King Day Celebration at MSU College of Veterinary Medicine: “Celebrating the Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: Applying Our Understanding of Difference”

The program facilitator will be Brian Sorge, a founding partner of the LDI group.

Monday, January 19th, 2009
A-213 Veterinary Medical Center

Catered lunch provided by The Embassy Grill
There will be three sessions.

Session 1: 10:30 am - 12:00 pm an interactive session: Applying our understanding of difference.
Session 2: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Video presentation of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. "I Have a Dream" and discussion.
Session 3: 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm an interactive session: Applying our understanding of difference.

Feel free to attend one or all of the sessions.

Please RSVP to Starr Portice at portices@cvm.msu.edu by January 12, 2009.

**College of Osteopathic Medicine**

MLK presentation

January 20, 2009

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Sandy Kilbourn; 432-4979; kilbourn@msu.edu

William G. Anderson, D.O., personal friend of Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. whose home he stayed in during the Albany Movement, will speak on “Who Was Martin Luther King?: A Friend’s Perspective”
Northwestern University

http://www.northwestern.edu/mlk/

Events:

Program - Evanston

Tuesday, January 13, 2009

Louis Room, Norris Center, Noon - 4pm

MLK Public Interest Job / Internship Fair - MLK Public Interest Job/ Internship Fair Meet employers offering internships and full-time employment in the education, government and non-profit sectors.

More info...

Sponsors: University Career Services and Northwestern Community Development Corporation (NCDC)

Thursday, January 15, 2009

Block Cinema, 6:30pm, Free admission

Film Screening - King in Chicago: the story of Dr. Martin Luther King and the Chicago Freedom Movement - 2008, Seth McClellan (director, editor, and producer)

In 1966, Dr. Martin Luther King and the Chicago Freedom Movement faced contradictions and complications. Candid interviews, period photos, and stirring music shine a light on their struggle for justice.

In the national celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday each year, most Americans recall or learn about Dr. King's leadership in confronting southern racism in Selma and Montgomery, Alabama. Far less discussed is his prophetic leadership in 1966 confronting northern racism and poverty as part of the Chicago Freedom Movement. This film emphasizes King's understanding of the link between the goals of the Civil Rights Movement and the social injustice of poverty. Candid interviews with Jesse Jackson, James Bevel, Michael Pfleger, and others, period photos and stirring traditional music by Rutha Harris shine a light on their struggle for justice. This film provides invaluable context to the national conversation about the corrosive effects of pervasive racism and persistent poverty in the U. S. today.

The voices of our interview subjects' sound cries of alarm and hope as they reflect on the legacy of the Chicago Freedom Movement and Dr. Martin Luther King.
A 77 minute documentary that has screened at numerous festivals in 2008 and has been used in classes discussions at Universities across the country.

Discussion and Q&A with film Director/Producer Seth McClellan

Sponsors: Block Cinema & MLK Planning Committee

Saturday, January 17, 2009

Wildcat Room, Norris Center, 9:00am - 2:30pm

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service - In recognition of the community-building work done by Dr. King, members of the Northwestern community will come together to engage with members of the Evanston and Chicago communities in service projects and neighborhood events. The program will include a brief orientation, and will be followed by student-led discussion on the definition of "service" as seen by Dr. King, and the program participants themselves. It is a day to reflect on MLK's message of service and activism, and to put that inspiration into action.

Participants must register by Thurs., Jan. 15th. Transportation and meals will be provided. For more information please visit: www.norris.northwestern.edu/community.php or call (847) 481-2350 or e-mail community@northwestern.edu.

Sponsors: MLK Planning Committee

Monday, January 19, 2009

Norris Center TV’s - Starbuck Coffeehouse & 1999 area (ground floor), All Day

All day screenings in the Norris University Center of: "Eyes On the Prize" documentary series about the American Civil Rights Movement. The series uses archival footage to record the growth of the American Civil Rights Movement, with special focus on the ordinary people who affected the change.

King in Chicago: the story of Dr. Martin Luther King and the Chicago Freedom Movement
What's Race Got to Do With It? Social Disparities and Student Success

http://www.whatsrace.org/pages/film.htm

King: Go Beyond the Dream and Discover the Man http://www.history.com/minisites/king

Sponsors: MLK Planning Committee
Monday, January 19, 2009

Norris Center, 8:00am - 3:00pm

The 7th annual Eva Jefferson Civil Rights Mentoring Program commemorates the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by bringing together students from the Evanston area and Northwestern student mentors for a meaningful discussion of civil rights issues, past and present.

Sponsors: MLK Planning Committee

Monday, January 19, 2009

Dittmar Gallery, Norris Center, 10:00am

NUSAC (Northwestern University Staff Advisory Council) Coffee Break - Join fellow staff and faculty members for a light reception of food and beverage in honor of Dr. King's birthday prior to the first campus observance.

Sponsors: NUSAC & MLK Planning Committee

Monday, January 19, 2009

Pick-Staiger Concert Hall, Noon - 1:45pm

Campus Observance - Part I - Keynote performance by soul and gospel legend Mavis Staples. Ms. Staples, a feature performer of the her family's act The Staples Singers, became the soundtrack of the Civil Right Movement and frequent performer for rallies with Dr. King. Remarks from University community and additional musical performances from the Alice Millar Chapel Choir, Northwestern Community Ensemble, and members of the University Jazz Ensemble.

Sponsors: MLK Planning Committee

Monday, January 19, 2009

McCormick Tribune Center, 3:00pm

The Black Press: Soldiers Without Swords The role of the Black Press in the Civil Right Movement - Patrick S. Washburn, Prof. E.W. Scripps School of Journalism, Ohio University.

Sponsors: MLK Planning Committee and Medill
Monday, January 19, 2009

Alice Millar Chapel, 7:00pm

Campus Observance - Part II: Alpha Phi Alpha Candle Light Vigil - Keynote address by Wayne D. Watson (SESP ’72) Chancellor, City Colleges of Chicago. Musical performances by the Northwestern Community Ensemble, a capella groups and other members of the University community. A reception will follow the program in Parkes Hall.

Sponsors: Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity & MLK Planning Committee

Monday, January 19 & Tuesday January 20, 2009


Location: Monday - Allison Hall, Bobb Hall, Norris University Center @ 2:00 - 3:30pm
Tuesday - Louis & Saerree Fiedler Hillel 629 Foster St. Evanston @ 3:00pm

Sponsors: URL, Hillel Bridging The Gap, MLK Planning Committee

Program - Chicago

Monday, January 12, 2009

Rubloff 150: Noon - 1:15pm

"Race, Gender & Politics - Media Portrayals in the 2008 Presidential Election" - The first panel will discuss how coverage of this year's election changed with the inclusion of viable female and African-American candidates, and what impact the election of Barack Obama will have on portrayals of African-Americans and other people of color in the media.

- Kimbriell Kelly - Senior Editor, The Chicago Reporter
- Dave Mendell - Political Reporter for the Chicago Tribune and author of *Obama, From Promise to Power*
- Craig Dellimore - Political Reporter, WBBM Newsradio 780

Moderator: Mary Mitchell, Columnist, Chicago Sun Times
Tuesday, January 13, 2009

Rubloff 150: Noon - 1:15pm

"Realizing the Dream of Health and Healthcare Equality" - First annual DREAM Award Recipient, Dr. Steve Whitman, Director of the Sinai Urban Health Institute, will co-present a lecture with Dorothy Roberts, Esq., involving his ground-breaking work on addressing health disparities, in particular the relationship of racism and poverty to health and well-being.

- Dorothy Roberts, Esq. - Kirkland & Ellis Professor of Law, Northwestern Law

Wednesday, January 14, 2009

Rubloff 150: Noon - 1:15pm

"... and Justice for All" - Why are there certain groups for which equality is still very actively discouraged? What biases and stereotypes are still pervasive and ubiquitous in America? This panel will discuss Proposition 8's passage in CA and equal rights for LGBT populations (including gender identity and expression), anti-Muslim and anti-Arab trends in the US and the "Muslim=Terrorist" mentality, and what forces lead many to not acknowledge biases in certain areas.

- Kristen Stilt, Esq. - Associate Professor of Law, Islamic Law, Northwestern Law
- Camilla Taylor, Esq. - Senior Staff Attorney, Lambda Legal Defense Fund; Adjunct Professor, Northwestern Law, Sexual Orientation and the Law
- Andy Koppelman, Esq. - John Paul Stevens Professor of Law, Northwestern Law
- Ann Kalayil, PhD - past president, Indo-American Democratic Organization (IADO) and founder, South Asian American Policy and Research Institute

Moderator: Lauren Jiggetts, Reporter, NBC Channel 5 Chicago

Thursday, January 15, 2009

Rubloff 150: Noon - 1:15pm

"Do We Still Need Affirmative Action" - We have just elected the nation's first African-American president, other people of color occupy very high posts in politics, business, medicine and other arenas. So have we progressed enough to no longer need affirmative action and other initiatives to promote diversity in education and business, or do we still have a long way to go? This panel will provide a point and counterpoint in the argument of whether affirmative action is still needed contemporarily.

- Stephen Presser, Esq. - Raoul Berger Professor of Legal History, Northwestern Law
• **T. Shawn Taylor** - Writer and media consultant, former workplace/labor reporter, Chicago Tribune
• **Arin Reeves, JD/PhD** - Diversity Consultant and President, The Athens Group
• **Franita Tolson, Esq.** - Visiting Professor of Law, Northwestern Law, *Race and the Law*

**Moderator: Derrick Blakely, Anchor, CBS 2 Chicago**

**Thursday evening:** - 6:30pm - 9pm  
Film discussion: *Taxi to the Dark Side* - owning up to torture in America (Baldwin Auditorium, Lurie Medical Building, 303 E. Superior).

- Introduction by **Professor Joe Margulies**, followed by showing of the HBO film

**Monday, January 19, 2009 - Martin Luther King Day Observed**

**Keynote Presentation:** noon - 1:30 p.m., Thorne Auditorium (375 E. Chicago)

- Welcome: **Deans of Northwestern Law and Feinberg School of Medicine**  
- Performance by **G3**, Chicago youth gospel choir  
- Presentation of first annual DREAM Award Recipient - **Dr. Steve Whitman**  
- Presentation by **Global Girls**, youth arts performance group  
- Recitation of excerpts of "I See the Promised Land" - **Urban Prep Academy Debate Team**  
- Speaker: Tim Wise, author of *White Like Me: Reflections on Race by a Privileged Son* - Beyond "Diversity": Challenging Racism in an Age of Backlash

*Reception to follow immediately after*

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FOR RELEASE: January 6, 2009

MAVIS STAPLES, WAYNE WATSON AND TIM WISE ARE MLK JR. DAY KEYNOTERS

Evanston, Ill. --- In recognition of the life and legacy of the late civil and human rights leader Martin Luther King Jr., Northwestern University will present a variety of commemorative events, including lectures, service opportunities, discussions, film screenings, music and theatrical performances.

Northwestern will suspend classes Monday, Jan. 19, on both campuses for a University-wide, full-day observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. Day federal holiday. (All other University operations will function that day.)

All of the Jan. 19 commemorative events, and all of the programs planned for the preceding week, are free and open to the public, with the exception of an Evanston campus career fair for Northwestern students and alumni only.

Legendary soul and gospel singer Mavis Staples will be the keynote performer at noon at Pick-Staiger Concert Hall, 50 Arts Circle Drive, on the Evanston campus. The program will include remarks by University administrators and campus leaders and feature additional musical performances by the Alice Millar Chapel Choir, Northwestern Community Ensemble and members of the University's Jazz Ensemble.

Free tickets for Northwestern University faculty, staff and students with valid WildCARD IDs (a limit of two per request) are available at the Norris University Center box office.

Free tickets for the Staples event for the general public (a limit of two tickets per request) are available at the Pick-Staiger Box Office. To reserve a ticket, call (847) 476-4000 or visit http://www.pickstaiger.com. Any remaining or unclaimed tickets will be available in the Pick-Staiger lobby 45-minutes prior to Staples' performance. If tickets are ordered online, there will be a surcharge. All ticket holders must be seated by 11:55 a.m.

Northwestern alumnus Wayne Watson, chancellor of the City Colleges of Chicago, former Northwestern trustee and current chair of the School of Education and Social Policy's board of
advisors, will be the keynote speaker for the 7 p.m. Evanston campus commemoration – the annual Alpha Phi Alpha Candlelight Vigil at Alice Millar Chapel, 1870 Sheridan Road.

Author Tim Wise, one of the most prominent anti-racism writers and activists in the United States, will be the keynote speaker at the noon celebration on the Chicago campus that will be held at Thorne Auditorium in the Arthur Rubloff Building, 375 E. Chicago Ave. (No tickets are required.)

Staples is a more than 40-year veteran of the music scene, a Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductee and one of VH1's Greatest Women of Rock and Roll, both with her family group, the Staple Singers, and on her own as a solo recording artist. Her voice has influenced artists from Bob Dylan to Prince (who dubbed her "the epitome of soul"). She and her family began singing in Chicago churches and appearing on a weekly radio show. The Staples first big hit in 1956 was "Uncloudy Day" for the Vee-Jay label. Following her 1957 high school graduation, the Staples Singers took their music on the road. Led by family patriarch Roebuck "Pops" Staples and including Mavis and siblings Cleo, Yvonne and Pervis, the Staples were often referred to as "God's Greatest Hitmakers." By the mid-1960s, the Staples Singers, inspired by their close friendship with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., became the spiritual and musical voices of the civil rights movement. Mavis Staples recorded her first solo album in 1969 for Stax and went on to achieve several Top 40 hits, including the #1 song "I'll Take You There." (For more information on Mavis Staples visit http://www.mavisstaples.com.)

As Chancellor of the City Colleges of Chicago, Watson has been profiled as an "agent of change." Appointed chancellor in 1998, he immediately began instituting the changes he saw were needed to achieve the excellence in education he wanted to bring to Chicago's diverse community. Prior to his appointment, he served as an associate professor of education at Shaw University in Raleigh, N.C. Flight lessons and pilot training led to two years as general manager of Wheeler Airlines, the first African American-owned company offering regularly scheduled flights. In 1978, he returned to Chicago, accepting a position at Malcolm X College. There, Watson was appointed vice president of instructional services, where he served from 1980 to 1983. Leaving Malcolm X, he was named vice president of the City Colleges of Chicago, where he remained until 1986. Watson went on to become president of both Harold Washington College and Kennedy-King College before moving to the chancellor's office. Watson earned three degrees from Northwestern – a B.A. in education, an M.A. in education and sociology, and a Ph.D. in education administration. (For more information on Wayne D. Watson, visit http://www.waynedwatson.com.)

Wise is the author of "White Like Me: Reflections on Race from a Privileged Son" and "Affirmative Action: Racial Preference in Black and White." He has contributed essays to 17 books and is one of several persons featured in "White Man Challenging Racism: Thirty-Five Personal Stories." A collection of his essays, "Speaking Treason Fluently: Anti-Racist Reflections From an Angry White Male," was released in September 2008. (For more information on Tim Wise, visit http://www.speakoutnow.org)
Evanston campus:

Highlights of other Evanston campus events include a Jan. 15 Block Cinema screening of the 2008 documentary "King in Chicago," the story of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the Chicago Freedom Movement, followed by a question-and-answer session with Seth McClellan, the film's director and producer; a Jan. 17 Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service by Northwestern University faculty, staff and student volunteers, in recognition of the community-building work done by Dr. King; and a Jan. 19 lecture by Patrick Washburn, a professor at Ohio University's E.W. Scripps School of Journalism, on the role of the black press, with special focus on the Chicago Defender, titled "Soldiers Without Swords."

Chicago campus:

To maximize the amount of participation by Northwestern's School of Law and Feinberg School of Medicine faculty and administrators, the 2009 Chicago campus celebration will include a week of commemorative activities immediately preceding the Jan. 19 Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. Both schools will host a series of lunchtime discussions based on the theme of "Race and Politics," titled the "Martin Luther King, Jr. Lecture Series," with several panelists from Northwestern, as well as guest speakers. The weeklong series begins Monday, Jan. 12. All lectures will begin at noon in the Law School, Arthur Rubloff Building, Room 150, 375 E. Chicago Ave., and are free and open to the public.

A Jan. 15 Volunteer Fair also is part of The D.R.E.A.M. Committee's public service component of the 2009 Martin Luther King Jr. celebration. D.R.E.A.M. is the acronym for Day to Recognize the Efforts and Achievements of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The organization of University administrators and students coordinates lectures and programs on the nationally observed birthday of Dr. King to inform faculty, staff and students on the Chicago campus on the teachings and contributions of Dr. King.

A Jan. 15 evening film screening of the 2008 Academy Award-winning HBO documentary, "Taxi to the Dark Side," an in-depth look at torture practices of the United States in Afghanistan, Iraq and Guantanamo Bay, will be followed by a discussion led by a Northwestern Law School professor.

For additional information, visit www.northwestern.edu/mlk or email mlk@northwestern.edu.
Penn State
Website: http://www.mlk.psu.edu/

2009 Commemoration Events Schedule

Jan. 12 to Feb. 27

**EXHIBIT: "CELEBRATING A LEGACY: SELECTIONS FROM THE CHARLES L. BLOCKSON COLLECTION OF AFRICAN AMERICANA AND THE AFRICAN DISAPORA"**
Diversity Room, Pattee Library

**EXHIBIT: "FORTY YEARS IS NOW... "**
Pattee Library Lobby, Mall Entrance

Jan. 12-13

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ART COMPETITION**
For information and artwork submission, please visit 209 HUB.
Art submissions will be on display and open for voting by the student body Wednesday, January 14th, through January 16th, 2009 on First Floor HUB.
Winners will be announced during the Evening Celebration on Wednesday, January 21st, 2009. Prizes include:
1st place - Free semester of books sponsored by the Penn State Bookstore
2nd place - Book on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. signed by Arun Gandhi
3rd place - Book on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. signed by Arun Gandhi
For questions, contact Keith Agyeman, kua117@psu.edu

Jan. 15 6:30 p.m.

**THE 34TH ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MEMORIAL BANQUET**
Sponsored by the Forum on Black Affairs (Tickets Required)
Presidents Hall, Penn Stater Conference Center
Jan. 19

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY OF SERVICE
Registration 9:00 a.m., Heritage Hall, HUB-Robeson Center
Breakfast, lunch, t-shirts will be provided for all volunteers. Individuals can sign-up now at http://www.volunteer.psu.edu/mlk - Questions can be directed to Erin Carroll, mlkdayofservice2009@gmail.com

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BLOOD DRIVE
Alumni Hall, HUB-Robeson Center

1:00 p.m. KING IN MONTGOMERY - TEN YEARS IN THE NON-VIOLENT CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT
State College Friends School, Community Room
1900 University Drive, State College, PA 16801 (814) 237-8386
The State College Friends School will be hosting a performance of King in Montgomery – Ten Years in the Non-violent Civil Rights Movement. Written and directed by Larry Boggess, the play follows Dr. King and the civil rights movement from the Montgomery Bus Boycott through the Selma to Montgomery March.
All are invited and admission is free.

All alumni and friends who are interested in singing in the choir are invited to join us! We’re looking for lots of voices, especially to fill the halls of Eisenhower.

There will be a rehearsal on Sunday, Jan 18 from 3-4:30 pm. Check the website http://sites.google.com/site/kimontgomery09/Home for more details for both singing in the choir and attending the Eisenhower event.

2:00 p.m. ESSENCE OF JOY PERFORMANCE
Pattee Library, Lending Services

12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMUNITY OUTREACH SPEECH CONTEST
5:30 p.m. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SOCIAL JUSTICE DINNER
Heritage Hall, HUB-Robeson Center
[Tickets are now available now for the Social Justice Dinner in 209 HUB.]

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Jan. 19-23 Times TBA THE HUMAN RACE MACHINE
Galbraith Lounge, HUB-Robeson Center

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Jan. 20 5:00 p.m. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PEACE MARCH AND SERVICE
Begins at the Penn State Allen Street Gates

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Jan. 21 6:00 p.m. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. EVENING CELEBRATION
Keynote Address by Arun Gandhi, Eisenhower Auditorium
[Tickets now available for the Evening Celebration at the HUB Info Desk and Eisenhower Auditorium.]

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Jan. 22 7:30 p.m. ALPHA PHI ALPHA SPEECH CONTEST
100 Life Sciences Building

(Times, dates & locations are subject to change.)
The Ohio State University

2009 OSU Day of Service:  http://payitforward.osu.edu/opportunity/profile.aspx?id=114

2009 MLK Day of Service

- Advocacy & Human Rights
- Animals
- Arts & Culture
- Children & Youth
- Community
- Crisis Support
- Disabled
- Disaster Relief
- Education & Literacy
- Environment
- Gay Lesbian Bi & Trans
- Homeless & Housing
- Hunger
- International
- Public Health

Volunteer to "Make It A Day ON, Not A Day OFF." Join us in a morning of service projects at agencies around Columbus in celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This annual event brings together hundreds of students and community members for a morning of service in honor of Dr. King. Participants will receive breakfast, lunch and a commemorative t-shirt. Registration is on a first-come-first-serve basis starting at 9:00am at Hitchcock Hall.

Description

SERVTeam is a group of 21 students who are dedicated to promoting service at OSU. We plan numerous campus wide service events throughout the year along with various ongoing opportunities. Our goal is to teach students the importance of serving our communities and making people aware of the issues that our world faces.

Organization Location

411 Woody Hayes Dr
Between Gates 22 & 24
Columbus, OH 43210

Web

http://ohiounion.osu.edu/studentorgs/leadership_service.asp

**Events**

The 37th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration at The Ohio State University

January 27, 2009 (7:00 pm - 9:00 pm)

**Location:** Holiday Inn on Lane Avenue (Main Ballroom) 328 West Lane Avenue, 7pm

Come out and pay tribute to the late, great Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

**Celebrate the Legacy: The Dream, Reality and Future**

**Sponsor:** The Frank W. Hale Jr. Black Cultural Center

**Contact:** The Frank W. Hale Jr. Black Cultural Center for more information, (614) 292-0074

Featuring Speaker **Roland Martin the Insightful and Provocative Analyst**, African American Voices Gospel Choir & the Class of 2008-2009 Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Scholars

Here is the City of Columbus’s site:
http://community.ci.columbus.oh.us/MLK/YouthOratoricalContest/MLK_march.htm
And this year the tradition continues.

Walk the Talk is providing opportunities for the community to connect, relate, and engage in King’s vision. All members of the community, including Purdue University faculty, staff, and students, are invited to reflect on King’s vision and walk the talk by participating in one or all of this year’s events:

- **Attend** University Celebration, with keynote address by Steve Curwood, executive producer and host of NPR’s *Living On Earth*.

  ![Steve Curwood](image)

- **View** *Environmental Racism*, video footage from over 20 sources focusing on educating and organizing disadvantaged communities to act on environmental issues and conditions affecting them. Presented by the Diversity Resource Office.

- **Volunteer** for Day of Service at community agencies that work with animals, children, senior citizens, healthcare, and the homeless. Lunch will be provided to show our appreciation.

- **Donate** a nonfood item to area service agencies through Boilers Care-and-Share — even the smallest donation makes a difference.

For more information about Walk the Talk, contact the Office of the Vice President for Ethics and Compliance at (765) 494-5830 or vpec@purdue.edu.

Walk the Talk events are sponsored by the Office of the Vice President for Ethics and Compliance in collaboration with the Office of the Provost, Diversity Resource Office, Black Cultural Center, African American Studies and Research Center, Office of the Vice President for Housing and Food Services, Latino Cultural Center, Native American Educational and Cultural Center, and the Boiler Volunteer Network.

**Events:**
Boilers Care-and-Share

December 8, 2008–January 14, 2009
Donate nonfood items for the Food Finders Food Bank. More information

University Celebration with keynote speaker Steve Curwood

Monday, January 19
Includes the presentation of the Purdue University Dreamer Award and a performance by the Black Voices of Inspiration. More information

Day of Service and Appreciation Luncheon

Monday, January 19
Register by January 15 to volunteer for area nonprofit agencies. More information

Environmental Racism

Thursday, January 22
View video footage that focuses on educating and organizing disadvantaged communities to act on environmental issues and conditions affecting them. Presented by the Diversity Resource Office. More information

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Numerous city, campus events honor Martin Luther King Jr.

Jan. 14, 2009

View a memo from the Governor’s Office of Community and Faith Based Partnership titled, *Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service: A Day On, Not A Day Off* (PDF).

The Madison and university communities will have a number of opportunities to celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. through sponsored events around the city. A list of events follows:

- The entire community is invited to the 22nd annual Free Community Dinner, “4:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 16, Gordon Commons. For more information, call Ruth Gundlach, 233-5880.
- 25th Annual Urban League Guild Youth Recognition Breakfast, 7:45 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 18, Edgewood High School, 2219 Monroe St. Cost is $5. Call 251-8550 for tickets.
- 11th Annual Youth Service Day, 8 a.m. Monday, Jan. 19, Monona Terrace. The day features youth-led educational forums, community volunteer projects, President’s Student Service Awards and the third annual Youth March on the Capitol Square. To register, contact Seth Yosef at 251-8550, syosef@ulgm.org.
- Martin Luther King Jr. City-County Observance: The Inspiration of Dreams, The Responsibilities of Change, 6 p.m. Monday, Jan. 19, Overture Center Capitol Theatre, 201 State St.

This year’s distinguished keynote speaker, the Rev. Dr. Trinette V. McCray, is engaged in ministry across the country as well as in her hometown of Milwaukee. McCray serves as president of the Housing Ministries of American Baptists in Wisconsin, which provides support to those directly impacted by systemic poverty, as a board member of Sojourner Truth House, serving victims of domestic violence, and as a county appointed official on the Milwaukee County Ethics Board.

The Community Choir, directed by UW–Madison’s Leotha Stanley, performs.

For more information, contact Mona Adams Winston, 239-7707 or Edward Lee, 213-7907
• King Coalition Community Inaugural, Celebration for President Barack Obama, 9 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20, Monona Terrace. Bring your own lunch; dessert will be provided. For more information, call Mona Adams Winston, 239-7707.

• The 29th annual State of Wisconsin Tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. will be held on the first floor of the Capitol Rotunda from noon-1:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 19. The "Dare To Live our Dream" program features WISN TV/Milwaukee news anchor Toya Washington, Highway To Heaven Big Band, MLK Mass Choir, pianist Leotha Stanley, gospel singer Debbie Biddle, pianist Michael Hillestad, contralto Tisha Brown, Soles-Musica Mexicana, soprano Carmen Fisher, harpist Karen Atz, spoken word poet Diane Harris, and Wisconsin Lt. Governor Barbara Lawton, who will present the state proclamation honoring Dr. King and the MLK Heritage Awards honoring Milwaukee's urban farmer Will Allen and the Madison Urban Ministry. This year's event also features guest speaker Keith Beauchamp, filmmaker of the documentary "The Untold Story of Emmett Louis Till." Live broadcasts of the event are also available: on the Ideas Network of Wisconsin Public Radio; Wisconsin Public Television; and the Wisconsin Channel on the Web. Ceremony highlights will air at 7 p.m. on WPT's "King Tribute." For more information, contact Jonathan Overby at 608-825-2000 or visit http://www.africasong.org.

Note: This is from 2008 – Governor of Wisconsin

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service: A day on, not a day off

• Jan. 17, 2008
• The Office of State Employment Relations is encouraging all state employees to consider January 21, 2008 — a holiday celebrating the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. — as "a day on, not a day off," by taking part in volunteer efforts in their home communities.
• To: State of Wisconsin Employees
• From: Jennifer J. Donnelly, Director, Office of State Employment Relations
• On January 21, 2008, our nation will celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. In 1994, the King Holiday and Service Act was passed by the United States Congress to designate the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday as a national day of volunteer service, known as the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service. To commemorate this national holiday, state employees who are not scheduled to work may want to consider volunteering some time with a community or charitable organization of their choice.
• Dr. King once said, “Life’s urgent and most pressing question is, what are you doing for others?” Celebrating the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday as a day of service to others keeps Dr. King’s vision of a more peaceful and just society alive. Under the leadership of Julietta Henry, Director of the Office of Community and Faith Based Partnership, the State of Wisconsin is pleased to participate in promoting the King Day of Service. If you are interested in providing feedback about your volunteer experience, please email your comments to Julietta.Henry@Wisconsin.gov.
• In past years, citizens, including state employees, have turned out all across Wisconsin to participate in projects including tutoring and mentoring children, painting schools and senior centers, cooking and delivering meals, building homes, and many other worthy activities too numerous to mention.

• Wisconsin has thousands of dedicated state employees who live and work in every county of this state. As public servants, we know what it means to give back, and to help those in need. But we can do more. As Dr. King said, “everyone can be great because everyone can serve.” I encourage you to participate in Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service by volunteering for a charitable organization on January 21st.

• To find out more about the national Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service, please visit http://www.mlkday.gov/ or consider contacting a community organization in your area to inquire about their need for volunteers that day. If you already volunteer for a charitable organization, we encourage you to contact that organization to volunteer on January 21st.

• Thank you for your service to the citizens of Wisconsin both on the job and through your volunteer activities. Your work, and your volunteer service, make a real difference to people all across Wisconsin.
University of Minnesota

Website: http://www.academic.umn.edu/equity/MLK2009.html

"From Every Voice":
A Concert Honoring Martin Luther King, Jr.

A cappella powerhouse TAKE 6 headlines 2009 "From Every Voice" concert on February 22, 2009

All members of the University community and the public are invited to join the University of Minnesota for the annual "From Every Voice" concert commemorating Martin Luther King Day.

When the University of Minnesota's Martin Luther King Day concert began in 1980, it was the only tribute of its kind in Minnesota. The late Reginald Buckner, a professor in the School of Music and an accomplished performer, composer, and educator, founded the concert and began a tradition of celebrating the life and accomplishments of Dr. King through the performing arts. Professor Buckner's death in 1989 left us without his personal dedication and artistic genius, but not without an inspiring legacy--the annual celebration we present each year.

The Martin Luther King concert is now a joint program of the University of Minnesota Office for Equity and Diversity and the School of Music.

http://www.crk.umn.edu/umcnews/stories/story1473.html

Honoring the Dream Program Celebrates Life of Martin Luther King, Jr. at the U of M, Crookston on Thursday, January 15, 2009, beginning at Noon

January 9, 2009

Contact: Thomas Williams, director of diversity and multicultural services, 218-281-8580 (will3140@umn.edu) Elizabeth Tollefson, assistant director of communications, 218-281-8432 (ltollefs@umn.edu)

The life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., will be the focus of a presentation on Thursday, January 15, 2009, at the University of Minnesota, Crookston. The presentation, entitled Honoring the
Dream, will be held in Kiehle Auditorium beginning at noon. It is free and the public is welcome.

Under the direction of Thomas Williams, director of diversity and multicultural services, the program will feature the highlights of King’s life. Following the presentation there will be time for questions and conversation regarding the influence of Dr. King and the civil rights movement.

King dedicated himself to work as the spokesperson for the nonviolent civil rights movement. He was assassinated in 1968, and a day commemorating his legacy is held the third Monday of January each year. The observance was first held in January 1986, after being signed into law by President Ronald Reagan in 1983, but it wasn’t until 2006 that the holiday became official in all 50 states.