



# The Mosaic

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## UMBC Black History Month 2016 Calendar of Events – Online Version

Want to learn more about the “history” behind Black History Month? Check out these informative and interesting online resources:

*The Association for the Study of African American Life and History,*  
<http://asah100.org/black-history-themes/2015-theme/>

*The Library of Congress’ African American History Month site,*  
<http://www.africanamericanhistorymonth.gov/>

*The Smithsonian’s Black History Month 2016 page,*  
[http://smithsonianeducation.org/heritage\\_month/bhm/](http://smithsonianeducation.org/heritage_month/bhm/)

*The History Channel’s Black History Month 2016 page,* <http://www.history.com/topics/black-history/black-history-month>

### February 1

***Black Lives Matter: More Than Just a Hashtag, It’s a Movement!***

6-8pm

Skylight Room, The Commons 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

Sponsored by the Baltimore Participatory Action Research Org and Student Life’s Mosaic Center

### February 4

***“License to Operate” Film Screening & Panel Discussion on Interrupting Gun Violence***

5:30-9pm

Hodson Hall Auditorium,

Johns Hopkins Homewood Campus,

3400 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, MD 21218.

Free and open to the public, but RSVP is required via [email](#) or [866-628-9892](tel:866-628-9892).

Sponsored by The Johns Hopkins University Urban Health Institute.

Description: The Johns Hopkins Krieger School of Arts and Sciences, JHU Institute for the 21st Century City and UHI invite you to the screening of "License to Operate," a critically acclaimed film about former Los Angeles rival gang members on a shared mission to stop the cycle of violence in



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their communities. The film will be followed by a panel discussion on "Interrupting Gun Violence from the Ground Up." A reception will follow. Parking is available at the South Garage.

## **February 17**

### **UMBC Celebrates Diversity – Black History Month Cultural Fair**

12-1pm

Main Street, Commons First Floor

Sponsored by the UMBC Celebrates Diversity Partner Group

## **February 17**

### ***Truth to Power Initiative: Wilson Okello***

Variety of talk backs and spoken word performances scheduled from 12-10pm

Location TBA

Sponsored by Off-Campus Student Services, Student Life's Mosaic Center, Residential Life, Dept of Communications

## **February 17**

### ***Women's Center Roundtable: Black Trauma & Mental Health***

4-5pm

Women's Center, Commons 004

Sponsored by the Women's Center

## **February 18**

### ***Why Major in Africana Studies? Coffee & Conversation with the Chair***

1-2pm

Across from Au Bon Pain, The Commons

Sponsored by the Africana Studies Department

## **February 18**

### ***Let's Talk About It – The Health Crisis in the African American Community Health Fair and Discussion***

3-7pm

Gameroom, Commons 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Sponsored by University Health Services and The Commons



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**February 23**

***Black Ethnic Identity, Immigration, and the Pursuit of the American Dream***

***Lecture by Dr. Christina Greer, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Fordham Univ.***

AOK Library, 7th Floor

4:30pm

Description: There has been significant voluntary immigration of black populations from Africa and the Caribbean over the past few decades, which has changed the racial, ethnic, and political landscape in the U.S. An important question for social scientists is how these “new” blacks will behave politically in the U.S. How will they distinguish themselves or align themselves with native-born black Americans? What are their policy preferences? Dr. Greer's talk explores the significance of black ethnic immigrants by investigating the political attitudes and behavior of these new populations and their effects on black politics at the individual, aggregate, and elite levels. She argues that the differing historical paths of incorporation directly affect present day negotiations with race and ethnicity for differing groups of blacks in the U.S.

**February 24**

***What's the (T)ea? Social Justice Dialogue Series***

***Theme, Baltimore – Always Rising***

***This Session's Topic: What have we learned? The Impact of Race and Poverty on Educational Access***

12-1pm

Sponsored by Student Life's Mosaic Center

**Ongoing February through April 2016**

***Black African American, African and Caribbean American-Focused Discussions & Events***

See UMBC's 25 Live Event Calendar or myUMBC Events Page for details

Sponsored by UMBC's Black Student Union, African Student Association and Caribbean Students Council

**Ongoing until April 3, 2016**

***Exhibit – Revelations of African American Life in Maryland and the World***

Reginald F. Lewis Museum

Note: This calendar is produced by Student Life's Mosaic: Center for Culture and Diversity and highlights some of the many events happening this month at UMBC and in Baltimore. If we missed adding your group's event, just let us know! Send the details to [mosaic@umbc.edu](mailto:mosaic@umbc.edu) and we'll be happy to add them to the pdf version of this calendar that's posted on our myUMBC group page. (On and off-campus events are welcomed.)



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