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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://asalh100.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/

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 3rd 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).

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 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.

Sponsored by The Johns Hopkins University Urban Health Institute.



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February 9

Film Screening - The Loving Story

4-5:30pm

AOK Library (Media Room, 2nd Floor)

Sponsored by the Africana Studies Department

February 11

Imagining Justice in Baltimore: A Christian Perspective

Featured Speaker, Dr. Robert Franklin

7-9pm

Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History & Culture

830 E Pratt St.

Baltimore, MD 21202

Description: The Institute for Islamic, Christian, and Jewish Studies is poised to add religious voices to this vital discussion through our 2016 initiative: **Imagining Justice in Baltimore**. This year-long series of innovative programs will bring together diverse participants from the city and surrounding areas to read, reflect, and talk about justice. Dr. Franklin is president emeritus of Morehouse College, and currently the Laney Professor of Moral Leadership at Emory University, and Director of the Religion Department at The Chautauqua Institution.

Sponsored by the Institute for Islamic, Christian and Jewish Studies

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



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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 2nd Floor

Sponsored by University Health Services and The Commons

February 23

Film Screening – Freedom Riders

4-6pm

AOK Library (Media Room, 2nd Floor)

Sponsored by the Africana Studies Department

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.

Sponsored by: Center for Africana Research and the Africana Studies Department

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



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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 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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