

WP African Heritage Celebration 2016

Black History Month - "Year of the Activist"

Tuesday 2/2

- **Opening Ceremony: History of Black History Month - "Year of the Activist", 12:30pm – 2pm, MPR.** Join us for the Opening Ceremony featuring a faculty & staff panel discussion of Black History Month. Refreshments. Sponsor: African Heritage Committee

Wednesday 2/3

- **Reflections of the Million Man March – 20 Years Later: 7:30pm – 10pm, MPR.** Albert Pelham, NAACP President for Montclair/Essex County, WP Alumni and students will share the purpose and memories of the MMM. Sponsors: AHC and Alumni Office.

Thursday 2/4

- **Mix & Mingle Networking & Black Club Fair: 12:30pm – 2pm, Ballroom C.** Join WP students, faculty and staff for social networking. Sponsors: AHC, Black Student Union, AAFA.

- **Islands Meet Africa: 8pm – 12am, Ballrooms.** Sponsors: CARIBSA, United African Student Assoc.

Friday 2/5

- **Black Business Expo: 11am – 4pm, MPR.** Shop and support over 25 locally owned Black businesses! Sponsor: African Heritage Committee

Saturday 2/6

- **"Lift Every Voice" Gospel Explosion: 6pm – 9pm, MPR** Gospel choirs include New Generation and Men of Valor. Sponsors: African Heritage Committee, SABLE and Christian Fellowship.

Monday 2/8

- **4th Annual Hip Hop & Poetry Soul Case : 8pm- 11pm, MPR.** Sponsor: SABLE

Tuesday 2/9

- **History vs. Our Story: 7:30pm – 9:30pm, UC171A/B .** Speaker Divine Allah will discuss the "true" Black History. Sponsor: AHC.

Wednesday 2/10

- **NPHC History Panel Discussion: 6pm–7:30pm, UC 168 A/B.** Learn about the role of National Pan Hellenic Council Greek Organizations in Black History. Sponsors: NPHC & Greek Council
- **African Dance Workshop: 7:30pm – 9pm, Ballroom C.** Learn traditional African dances in this workshop featuring drummers and instruction. Wear comfortable clothing. Sponsors: AWS,SABLE

Thursday 2/11

- **A Celebration of African American Composers: 12:30pm – 2pm, Shea Center.** Pianist James Weidman celebrates African - American composers and African heritage featuring the works of E. Nathaniel Dett, John Work, Adolphus Hailstork, Harold Swanson and Louis Moreau Gottschalk. Sponsor: Jazz Department
- **Academic Services Fair: 12:30pm – 2pm, MPR.** Sponsor: Sophomore & Junior Experience
- **Racism in College: 8:00pm, UC 216.** LTO's National President will speak about racism in college, strategies and resources. Sponsors: Lambda Tau Omega Inc., Groove Phi Groove, Office of Employment Equity and Diversity

Tuesday 2/16

- **"Did That Just Happen because I'm... – Microaggressions and Their Toll" : 12:30pm-2:00pm, UC 168A/B .** Professor LaShauna Dean will explain the social phenomena of microaggressions, define terms, discuss pertinent research, and its affects on our lives. Office of Employment Equity & Diversity, Feminist Collective

- **Voter Registration: 12pm–2pm, UC Main Street .** Sponsor: Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity with NPHC

- **Black Lives Matter/The New Civil Rights Movement, 4pm – 6pm: Library room 124.** Faculty Panel. Africana World Studies.

- **HASA Cultural Night: 7pm – 12am, Ballrooms**

Wednesday 2/17

- **The Black Woman Experience: 6:15–7:15pm, UC216.** Speaker Dr. Djanna Hill. Feminist Collective.

- **"Higher Learning" Movie Night & Discussion: 7pm – 10pm, Ballroom C.** Sponsors: AHC, Office of Employment Equity & Diversity

Thursday 2/18

- **Black History Month Jeopardy: 7pm – 9pm, MPR.** Sponsor: Black Student Union

Friday 2/19

- **Day of Service :** Contact CASL Office for more info and to sign-up.

- **Trip to "The Color Purple":** Tickets on sale 1/25 at CASL Office.

Students - \$24, Guests - \$57. Sponsors: SAPB, AHC

- **Distinguished Lecture Series: Angélique Kidjo, 7:30pm, Shea Center.** Grammy award-winning singer, activist, and humanitarian, Ms. Kidjo, a native of Benin, Africa, is a global music phenomenon, and a UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador, who has been honored for speaking out for human rights and female empowerment. Her talk, based on these themes, will also include performance. Sponsor: University Performing Arts. Free WPU students & faculty accompanying class, \$25 others. Reserve / Purchase tickets at Shea.

Saturday 2/20

- **Family Reunion: 7pm – 11pm, MPR .** Join students, alumni, faculty and staff for a fun night of games & food! Sponsors: African Heritage Committee, Alumni Office, SABLE, BFA, BSU, UASO, HASA,

Monday 2/22

- **Dream Junkies Multi-Cultural Spoken Word: 8pm – 10pm, MPR.** Sponsor: SAPB

Tuesday 2/23

- **Silent Solidarity March: 12:30pm-2:00pm, MPR.** The university community is invited to march together to show unity and support. Sign making begins 11:00am. Sponsor: African Heritage Committee

- **Cupcakes, Curls & Convo: 7:30pm – 10pm, UC202.** Sponsors: SABLE, Mu Sigma Upsilon, Feminist Collective

- **"Selma", 7pm – 11pm, UC 168A/B.** Sponsor: Christian Fellowship

Wednesday 2/24

- **SAPB Retro Back Stage Pass - Actor Jay Ellis from "The Game", 8pm – 11pm, Ballrooms.** Sponsors: SAPB, SABLE, AHC

Thursday 2/25

- **BHM Closing Gala: 6pm – 10pm, Ballrooms A.** Black semi-formal dress requested. Gala honoring Black WP student achievements. RSVP EmpEqDiv@wpunj.edu. African Heritage Committee, AAFA



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