The Office of Multicultural Affairs is committed to recognizing the histories, cultures, experiences, and contributions of diverse populations. Through cultural heritage month programming, OMA supports the University of Dayton’s academic mission by providing educational opportunities that assist students in exploring new experiences while also enhancing their understanding of their cultural identity. In collaboration with faculty, staff, students, and the Dayton community, OMA seeks to provide thought-provoking co-curricular programming that supports the personal development of all students, while also influencing the campus climate.

Please join The University of Dayton and The Office of Multicultural Affairs in recognizing Black History Month.

**Educate, Empower, Engage**

**January 26-28:** Critical Examination of Our Times: The State of Race on the University of Dayton Campus: In light of growing national concern about racial discrimination and institutionalized injustice, communities and institutions across the country are taking steps to engage in critical dialogue about challenges of racism in America. Such dialogue is especially important for universities. Given the University of Dayton’s mission to link learning and scholarship with leadership and service and the Marianist educational philosophy of educating for service, justice, and peace through the building of community, the Africana Studies minor and organizing committee have designed a symposium to study the history of race relations at UD, to examine national trends and attitudes, and to outline ways in which the University can build a more inclusive campus community that is genuinely respectful and welcoming of every one of its members.

To register for this free event, visit [go.udayton.edu/africana](http://go.udayton.edu/africana). If you have questions, please contact Dr. Julius A. Amin, Professor of History and Coordinator of the Africana Studies minor, at jamin1@udayton.edu or 937-229-4324.

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**Tuesday, February 2:** OMA Day Lunch – Celebration of Black History Month: Join the Office of Multicultural Affair as we celebrate family and dine together in fellowship. This lunch is free to students, faculty, and staff.
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. in the Office of Multicultural Affairs (Alumni 101)

Sponsored by Black Action Through Unity (BATU) and the Office of Multicultural Affairs

Wednesday, February 3: Black History Month Celebration Dinner: In many cultures, food is attached to stories. Many of these traditions and stories are often passed along from one generation to the next through recipes. Join us for a home cooked meal featuring recipes from the families and homes of UD employees.

Cost is $5.00 which includes: 1 entree, 2 side items, a drink and dessert

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in the Kennedy Union Dining Room
Sponsored by Dining Services

Friday, February 5: Holler If You Hear Me: Black and Gay in the Church: A new BET documentary aims to uncover a taboo topic in the Black church: gay and lesbian church members. Writer/producer Clay Cane travels to Atlanta, Georgia to meet church members who have both felt ostracized by the church, and some who have been accepted, like Bishop Allen, who leads Visionary Church of Atlanta, an LGBT church. Join us for a viewing of the documentary followed discussion.

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in the Office of Multicultural Affairs (Alumni 101)
Sponsored by LGBTQ+ Support Services and the Office of Multicultural Affairs

Tuesday, February 9: REAL Topics: Do Black Women’s Lives Matter?: It is believed that black women are the most discriminated demographic in American society. Not only are they discriminated against because of the color of their skin, but also their gender. They are often the targets of sexual objectification, experience unjust workplace practices, are often believed to be threatening and hostile and are even targets when discussing the decline of the black family structure in American society. With the list of discriminatory practices toward black women expanding, REAL Topics’ asks the question…Do Black Women’s Lives Matter? Join us as we discuss this topic.

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Office of Multicultural Affairs (Alumni 101)
Sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs, Green Dot and the Women’s Center

Tuesday, February 9: Soul Food Student Potluck: Enjoy a multitude of traditional Soul Food dishes, prepared by UD students, faculty and staff. Participants will also learn about the history and significance behind what Soul Food represents to the African American culture. Join us as we dine and fellowship together in the true spirit of family.
6:00 p.m. at the BATU house (15 Evanston)
Sponsored by Black Action Through Unity (BATU) and the Office of Multicultural Affairs

Thursday, February 11: Friends of Africa: Meet students, faculty and staff with an interest in or affiliation with Africa and its languages and cultures.

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. in the Kennedy Union Torch Lounge
Sponsored by the Center for International Programs and the Office of Multicultural Affairs

Friday, February 12: Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Dedication: President Daniel J. Curran and Interim Provost Paul H. Benson are honored to invite you to join them for the dedication and blessing of the University's memorial for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., entitled, "Give Us This Day Our Daily Quest." The sculpture commemorates Dr. King’s speech on campus in November, 1964.

12:15 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the Frericks Center
Sponsored by The Offices of the President and Provost

Friday, February 12: Film Screening – More than a Month: An African-American filmmaker attempts to end Black History month with the argument that black history should not be contained within one month. He conducts innumerable interviews, conducts an experiment, and throughout the film ponders the question. At the end of the journey, he realizes that the question is really a part of a broader discussion about the empowerment of a people through education.

7:00 p.m. in ArtStreet Studio B
Sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs and the University Libraries and ArtStreet

Tuesday, February 16: Table of Plenty: "Black History and White Privilege: The “Table of Plenty” is a monthly lunch discussion on a complex social justice topic. We hope to have people join us with a broad spectrum of opinions to join us for respectful conversation where all sides are heard. This month's discussion on "Black History and White Privilege." Lunch made and provided by CSC staff.

Please RSVP at go.udayton.edu/tableofplenty, so that we know how much food to prepare. AVIATE Path Point eligible.

12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. at the Liberty Hall RM 08
Sponsored by Campus Ministry
Wednesday, February 17: Brown Bag Discussion – Article Read: Join us as we discuss complexities of how Black culture influences Hip Hop culture and how many consider the two cultures one in the same. In the 3 articles, there will be an examination of how socio-political philosophies are sometimes present in Hip Hop, especially in relation to Black culture. This discussion will be led by Dr. Tom Morgan form the English Department.

Links to the articles can be found at go.udayton.edu/blackhistorymonth.

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm. in the Office of Multicultural Affairs (Alumni 101)
Sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs

Wednesday, February 17: IEP Global Game Night – Africa Night: Global Game Night is a recurring event developed to create a relaxed, fun environment where international, Intensive English Program, and US students can interact. Each night will focus on a different region of the world and feature games and snacks from that region. February’s Global Game Night will focus on games and activities from African cultures and countries. This event is PATH eligible.

5:45 pm – 7:00 pm. in the Rike Center
Sponsored by the Center for International Programs

Saturday, February 20: Trip to the Freedom Center: Experience the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center with Housing and Residence Life’s Multicultural Programming Committee, the Office of Multicultural Affairs and Campus Ministry. The National Underground Railroad Freedom Center is located in Cincinnati, Ohio and has been visited by everyone from Oprah Winfrey to the Dalai Lama! Please register for the trip via Org Sync.
Registration includes transportation, admission and lunch/snacks! We will leave at 10 a.m. from in front of the UD Chapel and return by 4 p.m.

Sponsored by Housing and Residence Life and the Office of Multicultural Affairs

Sunday, February 21: Black History Month Mass: A Mass to honor the contributions of African Americans to the Catholic Church will be celebrated at the Immaculate Conception Chapel at 6pm. The UD choir will be joined by special guests, the Office of African American Catholic Ministries, with Deacon Royce Winters preaching. All are welcome.

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception
Sponsored by Campus Ministry

Monday, February 22: Black History Month Trivia: Do you know that the month of February was selected for Black History Month because it embraced the birthdays of both Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln? If you knew the answer and/or would like to learn more
interesting facts join us for Trivia. This event will include questions highlighting both historical and current events, and will also test you critical thinking as some of the trivia will be based on visual cues. Prizes and light refreshments will be provided.

7:00 p.m. at Office of Multicultural Affairs (Alumni 101)
Sponsored by Black Action Through Unity (BATU), NPHC and the Office of Multicultural Affairs

For more information about Black History Month events please call the Office of Multicultural Affairs at 229-3634 or visit go.udayton.edu/blackhistorymonth.

We also encourage you to take advantage of all of the initiatives offered through the I Love UD campaign. For more information visit udayton.edu/iloveud.