

February 2021

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Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at Cabrini University



Upcoming Events

Black Table Talk!

Tuesday, February 2, 2021, at 6 pm

Zoom (see flyer for details) Sponsored by SEaL

Join current Black/African-American students, alumni, faculty, and staff voices for an authentic virtual conversation about Black/African-American culture, history, and issues surrounding our community.

Moving from Being a Non-Racist to an Anti-Racist program

Monday, February 8, 2021, starting at 4:30 pm

Zoom link

Sponsored by: OUDI and LEADStrong

This interactive program helps participants understand not only the meaning and understanding of what a non-racist and an anti-racist is but more importantly how we could move to a call of action to address racism in many different forms (ranging from comments/verbal to institutional and systemic racism).

Storytelling Brutality: The Lived Experiences of Black Men in the Face of Police Excess Use of Force and Abuse of Power

Wednesday, February 10, 2021, starting at 2:00 pm

Zoom: Contact Anton Shufutinsky: as4363@cabrini.edu

Sponsored by: Leadership and Organization Development Department

In these turbulent times of the pandemic, economic downturn, political upheaval, and racial injustice, this study provides rich, detailed, and powerful stories of police brutality, abuse of power, and harassment. It furthers the stories that we are becoming accustomed to in the media by exploring the stories of police harassment and brutality that do not necessarily lead to death or near-death, but of the day-to-day experiences of Black Men in their interactions with law enforcement throughout the lifespan, from childhood to middle-age. This study provides vivid accounts that contribute to the knowledge in the literature, but also contribute to the learning of the Cabrini University population from the perspective of the interests of the University in Social Justice and Social Action.

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ZuZu Acrobats Virtual Experience

Thursday, February 11, 2021, at 8 pm

Zoom (please see flyer for link details)

Sponsored by: CAP Board & Neumann University

In celebration of Black History Month, we are bringing you a live virtual performance of the ZuZu Acrobats, a five-person Kenyan acrobatic show, which will embody the Bantu culture of East Africa. The experience will feature pyramid building, limbo, chair balancing, comedy, contortion and much more!

Showing of Just Mercy with Dialogue

Monday, February 15, 2021, starting at 8:00 pm

Widener Lecture Hall

Sponsored by: BSU and OUDI

Based on a true story this movie focuses on a young law student graduate. After graduating from Harvard, Bryan Stevenson heads to Alabama to defend those wrongly condemned or those not afforded proper representation. One of his first cases is that of Walter McMillian, who is sentenced to die in 1987 for the murder of an 18-year-old girl, despite evidence proving his innocence. In the years that follow, Stevenson encounters racism and legal and political maneuverings as he tirelessly fights for McMillian's life. After the review of the movie, there will be an open discussion. Check out the trailer by clicking [here](#).

Reimagining Liberation: How Black Women Transformed Citizenship in the French Empire

Wednesday, February 17, 2021, starting at 7:00 pm

Zoom link: [https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAucu2vpz0vGtMfdeOllvKzN-LnLV61aT17](https://zoom.us/join/https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAucu2vpz0vGtMfdeOllvKzN-LnLV61aT17)

Sponsored by: Center on Immigration

Virtual Book Talk (im)migration Book Talk Series

Black women living in the French empire played a key role in the decolonial movements of the mid-twentieth century. Thinkers and activists, these women lived lives of commitment and risk that landed them in war zones and concentration camps and saw them declared enemies of the state. Annette K. Joseph-Gabriel mines published writings and untapped archives to reveal the anticolonialist endeavors of seven women. Though often overlooked today, Suzanne Césaire, Paulette Nardal, Eugénie Éboué-Tell, Jane Vialle, Andrée Blouin, Aoua Kéita, and Eslanda Robeson took part in a forceful transnational movement. Their activism and thought challenged France's imperial system by shaping forms of citizenship that encouraged multiple cultural and racial identities. Expanding the possibilities of belonging beyond national and even Francophone borders, these women imagined new pan-African and pan-Caribbean identities informed by black feminist intellectual frameworks and practices. The visions they articulated also shifted the idea of citizenship itself, replacing a single form of collective identity and political participation with an expansive plurality of forms of belonging.

Dark Skin, Light Skin, MELANIN!

Friday, February 19, 2021 at 5pm-8pm

Widener Lecture Hall & The Grille Area (event will also be live-streamed)

Sponsored by: BSU, SEaL, OUDI

Join the office of BSU, SEaL, and OUDI for an evening of celebration and demonstration of Black/African-American hair, skin, beauty care, music, and entrepreneurship. The first 50 students in attendance will receive a personalized hoodie that celebrates Black History and culture!

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A Week of Service

February 22, 2021-February 25, 2021

Sponsored by the Office of University Diversity Initiatives, BSU, and LEADStrong

This week of service starting on Monday, February 22, 2021. The service will be making blankets and scarfs for several shelters. Interested individuals will pick up a packet to make a blanket or scarfs from the Office of University Diversity Initiatives and then return it back to UDI by Thursday, February 25, 2021, by 12:00 pm (noon) so it could be delivered later that day.

"The Black Aesthetic"

February. 22, 2021 6-7pm (EST)

Zoom link to follow

Sponsored by: Cabrini Black Studies/Department of History and Political Science/OU DI and Visual + Performing Arts Department

One-on-one talk between Mr. Marlon West, VFX Supervisor at Walt Disney Animation Studios, and Dr. Joseph R. Fitzgerald Monday, February 22, 2021, starting at 6:00 pm EST/3:00 pm PST

Black History Month Live in the GRILLE!

Tuesday, February 23, 2021, 3 pm-6 pm

The Grille Area

Sponsored by: OUDI & SEaL

Join the OUDI and SEaL Offices for a Black History Month Green Screen Photo Booth and other live activities to celebrate Black History Month.

Encountering God in the Margins with speakers Aiden Donaldson and Chitalu Chishimba

Wednesday, February 24, 2021, starting at 2:00 pm

Sponsored by: Center for Global Learning

This event plans to shed light on the partnership and work between Cabrini University, Project Zambia, and Vision of Hope. Education students continue the partnership to work with faculty and students at St. Lawrence School, while business students continue to work with Vision of Hope to grow their craft business first started in March 2019.

Black Artist Showcase Featuring Violinist T-Ray

Friday, February 26, 2021, at 8 pm

Widener Lecture Hall as well as Zoom

Sponsored by: BSU and CAP Board

BSU & CAP Board are hosting Black Artist Showcase to celebrate the many talents of our Black/African American students as part of Black History Month. Auditions will take place virtually the week of February 8th. Anyone can watch and support these talented students: a limited number of students can enjoy the show in-person and everyone else can watch the live stream.

Things to know...

February 1, 2021-February 28, 2021

Celebrate Black History Month with Holy Spirit Library by viewing our newly launched Lib Guide. Learn more about those who have made a great impact on the University through Black academic, athletic, and community leadership and excellence at Cabrini University. This site also displays texts, films, and journals that highlight Black culture, scholarship, and the arts; upcoming Common Hour events; and resources for Cabrini's BIPOC community. Come learn more about what makes Cabrini a place that continues to unite diverse individuals.
Black History Month in Social Media

The Office of University Diversity Initiatives Social Media Campaign

Check out our Social Media every day to learn more about Black African American History!

Cabrini SAAC and Cabrini Athletics will be celebrating Black History Month throughout February via social media. There will be weekly graphics featuring photos and quotes from Student-Athletes. In these quotes' students will speak a bit on topics like their background, what it means to be a black student-athlete, and why they chose to represent Cabrini. For more information and to follow the Social Media campaign, visit the Cabrini Athletics website by clicking here.

Student auditions for The Black Artist Showcase held on Friday, February 26th will happen on Monday, February 8; Wednesday, February 10 and Friday, February 12th. For more information go to the SEaL [Eventbrite page](#)

Black History Month

An Overview

Black History Month can be dated back to 1926. Then known as "Negro History Week", it was created by Dr. Carter G. Woodson.

Dr. Woodson was the son of former slaves and the 2nd African American to earn a PhD. from Harvard University.

In 1976, the celebration was expanded to Black History Month.

Dr. Woodson is the founder of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History.



For more information about Dr. Woodson and the ASALH, visit <https://asalh.org/about-us/our-history/>

Suggested Media

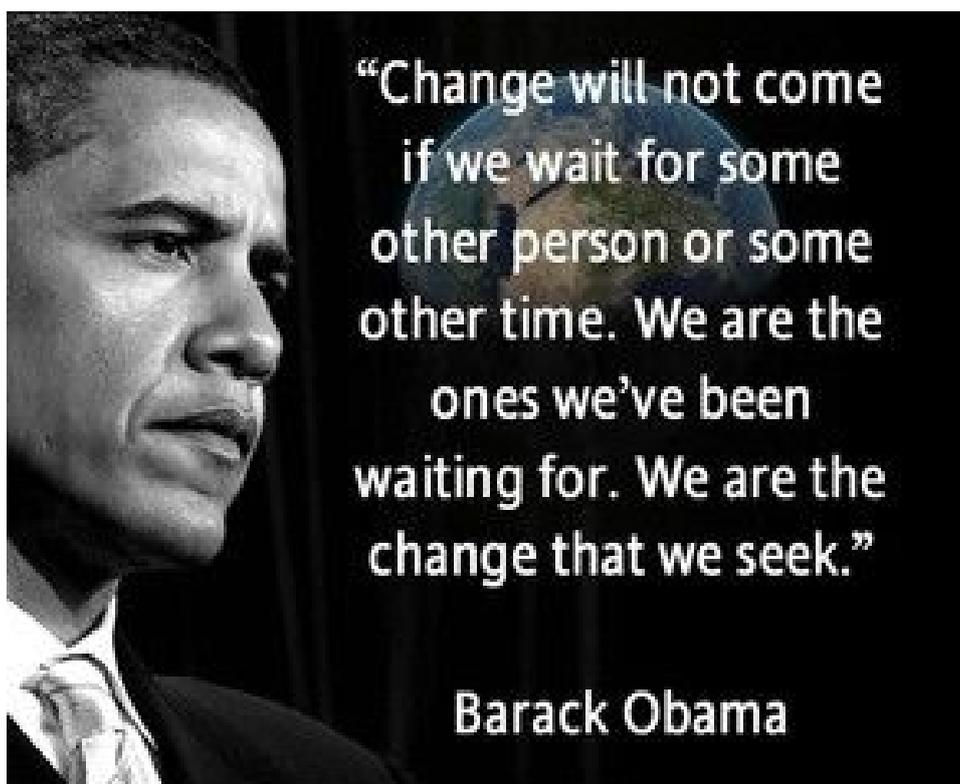
Virtual Black History Festival

The Association for the Study of African American Life and History will be hosting its inaugural Virtual Black History Month Festival. Throughout the week of February, immerse yourself in the rich history of Black culture and heritage.

Discussions on the African American Family and the organized recovery of slave ships and artifacts are just two examples of the learning taking place at the Festival.

Visit the Festival's homepage for a full schedule of events below.

[The 2021 Black History Month Virtual Festival](#)



"My mother would look at me and she'd say,
'Kamala, you may be the first to do many things, but
make sure you are not the last."



**KAMALA HARRIS, Vice-President of the
United States of America**

**Do you know of any initiatives that have brought us Cavaliers together?
Email Chief Diversity Officer, Jose Rodriguez @ jr3392@cabrini.edu to be
featured in the March bulletin.**

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