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GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY

2016 BLACK HISTORY MONTH

BLACK HISTORY LITERARY WORKS & RESOURCES

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PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Monday, February 1

BSU MEETING

5 p.m., Engbretson Hall

Tuesday, February 2

BLACK JEOPARDY

3-5 p.m., Hall of Honors

Show what you know and learn what you don't – all while having fun competing!

Wednesday, February 3

LET'S TALK ABOUT SEX: NATIONAL BLACK HIV/AIDS AWARENESS DAY

6 p.m., Prairie Place

Learn about national HIV testing and treatment community mobilization initiative targeted at Blacks in the United States and the Diaspora.

Thursday, February 4

CARD TOURNAMENT

3-5 p.m., Lakeside Lounge

Spades and bid whist were favorite games of Pullman porters on the railroad cars. Join us to learn and/or play these awesome card games.

Friday, February 5

BLACK CINEMA

7 p.m., Prairie Place

Enjoy an evening of films produced and/or starring African Americans and learn more about Black culture.

Monday, February 8

HIDDEN COLORS 1: THE UNTOLD HISTORY OF PEOPLE OF ABORIGINAL, MOOR, AND AFRICAN DESCENT

5 p.m., Engbretson Hall

Screening of the documentary about the real and untold history of people of color around the globe, discussing why the contributions of African and aboriginal people have been left out of the pages of history.

Tuesday, February 9

THE RACIAL CONTRACT: WHITE SUPREMACY AS A POLITICAL SYSTEM

4:30 p.m., E2569

Dr. Ben Almassi invites all GSU students, staff, and faculty to an open-classroom lecture and discussion of Charles Mills' critical race theory, specifically, his work on white supremacy as a political system.

Monday, February 15

HIDDEN COLORS 2: THE TRIUMPH OF MELANIN

5 p.m., Engbretson Hall

"Hidden Colors 2," the follow-up to the critically acclaimed 2011 documentary about the untold history of people of African and aboriginal descent, investigates the issues and truths surrounding the global African presence

Tuesday, February 16

RETHINKING BRAZILIAN RACE RELATIONS IN THE ERA OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION – featuring Dr. Jerry Davila, Professor of History, University of Illinois – Urbana Champaign

4:30 p.m., TBD

This lecture will explore how Brazil, which used to tout itself as a "racial democracy," has recently come to embrace affirmative action at the time the U.S., through a series of Supreme Court decisions, is rejecting it.

Wednesday, February 17

BLACK INVENTIONS

Noon – 5 p.m., Hall of Governors

Exhibit of inventions by African Americans and how they used their ingenuity to create career paths and opportunities in the fields of science, technology, business, and other arenas

Monday, February 22

HIDDEN COLORS 3: THE RULES OF RACISM

5 p.m., Engbretson Hall

Hidden Colors 3: The Rules of Racism is the third installment of the critically acclaimed documentary series Hidden Colors 1 and 2. This installment tackles the taboo subject of systematic racism.

Tuesday, February 23

SLAVERY IN MEXICO

3:30 p.m., B2203

In 1829, President Vicente Guerrero became Mexico's first Black President and the first president of color in North America. During his administration, he abolished slavery in Mexico. This presentation addresses his importance to a forgotten American slave narrative and endorses the thesis that American Slavery was a leading cause of the Mexican-American War.

Thursday, February 25

OPEN MIC NIGHT

5 p.m., Lakeside Lounge

Come join us as we share Black history through spoken word, song, and other performing arts.

Saturday, February 27

BLACK WOMEN ROCK

6:30 p.m., Center for Performing Arts

"Black Women Rock" (BWR) celebrates the outstanding achievements of Black female students, faculty, & staff.

Monday, February 29

BSU MEETING

5 p.m., Engbretson Hall

AFRICAN AMERICAN READ IN

6 p.m., Hall of Honors

Join over a million readers from all ethnic backgrounds in celebration of Black History Month participate in the African American Read-In. The African American Read-In celebrates literacy as a significant part of Black History Month. Email Dr. Rashidah Muhammad at rmuhammad@govst.edu or call 708.534.6974 to be a reader. Everyone is invited to participate.

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