

MCLA Celebrates Black History Month 2016

- Tues., February 2** **Campus Conversation on Race in Bowman Room 121**
12:30 to 1:30pm **Session (CCOR) for and at the MCLA Faculty Center**
(Open to faculty and co-facilitated with students)
- Thurs., February 4** **Gallery 51 (Opening Reception) “What Does #Black Lives Matter Mean to**
5pm to 7pm **You?” An Exhibition at Gallery 51 from Feb. 4th to Feb. 28th.** This mixed-
media exhibition, inspired by the Black Lives Matter movement, was curated by MCLA
professors Frances Jones-Sneed and Melanie Mowinski. *Please email:*
Thomas.alexander@mcla.edu to reserve a space on a van shuttle leaving at 4:30pm
- Fri., February 5**
- 12pm to 1:30pm** **“#Black Codes + # BlackTwitter + Mobilizing a ‘Mobile’ Diaspora”**
 speaker, CSI Lecture Hall
 Dr. Mark Anthony Neal, Duke Professor of African and African-American
 Studies
- 2pm to 3pm** **Multicultural & ALANA Club Council Networking Reception in**
 CSI Atrium
- 3:15pm to 4:30pm** **Diversity and Inclusion Symposium: "Campus Dialogues that**
 Matter” in CSI Lecture Hall
 A panel of MCLA and Williams’ faculty, staff and students facilitated
 Discussion by Dr. Neal on spaces and strategies for meaningful campus
 discussions about diversity and social justice." Each speaker to limit themselves to
 5 minutes of their top five best practices/recommendations in this regard to allow
 maximum discussion with audience
- 4:30pm to 7:30pm** **Guest Chef Velma McAdoo in Campus Center Centennial Room**
 Includes **FluteJuice Jazz performance with spoken word** during and after dinner
 hours. Students can use their meal plans for dinner; cost of dinner without a meal
 plan is \$9.00.
- Sat., February 6**
- 9:30am to 4pm** **MCLA Student Leadership Conference**
 Advanced online registration required:
 http://www.mcla.edu/Student_Life/studentdevelopment/leadershipconference/ **BHM**
 Feature: Ron Jones’ workshop: What would have happened if the civil rights
 movement had social media? and Campus Conversation on Race workshop
- 5pm to 6:30pm** **"The Movement" in Church St Center**
 A one man play written and performed by Emmy Award
 winning actor Ron Jones, Through a range of characters, original and
 historical footage, and music, Ron takes the audience on a journey through the ever
 changing face of the African-American experience from voting rights to
 Charleston.
- 11pm to 2am** **Unity Party, sponsored by BSU, in Venable Gym**

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- Wed., February 17**
7pm to 9pm **Danielle Legros Georges, Boston's Poet Laureate**
Public Reading at MCLA Gallery 51, Main Street, North Adams, MA.
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- Thurs., February 18**
8pm to 9:15pm **Campus Conversation on Race Open Session: Co-sponsored by BSU & CCOR in CC Sullivan Lounge**
- Fri., February 19**
7pm to 9:15pm **Slam Poetry Love Café in CC Sullivan Lounge**
- Wed., February 24**
3pm to 4:30pm **Amazing Grace reading, poetry, and conversation in Women's Center**
Light refreshments will be served, at 3pm. Co-sponsored by BSU, CCOR, Slam Poetry Club, & The Women's Center
- 7:30pm to 8:30pm** **BSU Movie Night in CC Sullivan Lounge- Felix Gary Gray's "Straight Outta Compton" vs Spike Lee's "Chi-Raq"**
- Thurs., February 25**
7pm to 9:30pm **Creating Equality Series in Murdock Hall 218 with Movie screening of Vanguard Black Panther Film**
- Sun., February 28**
6:30pm **Unity Potluck in the Church Street Social Center**

Other BHM Events off Campus to Note:

- Thurs., February 4**
11am to 12pm
Chapin Hall,
Williams College *In solidarity with and at Williams College: **The Half Life of Freedom: Race Justice in America Today:** Speaker Jelani Cobb.*
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- Sat., February 6**
7:30pm to 9:30pm
Colonial Theatre **A Reading of "FACING OUR TRUTH" at The Colonial Theatre.** A theater response to race relations in Berkshire County (CCOR Panel Participation after). Multicultural Bridge Program. *Please email: Thomas.alexander@mcla.edu to reserve a space on a van shuttle leaving at 6:45pm from the fire lane on Montana Street near the Campus Center.*
- Sat., February 20**
7:30pm to 10pm
Williams College **"Steady Steppin' Forward" STEP Show: Support Nexxus STEP Team** at the '62 Center for Art & Dance at Williams College.
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- Tues., February 23**
1:15pm to 3pm
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Boland Auditorium
Pittsfield Campus **Movie screening of *Peril and Promise Latino Americans: 500 Years of History*, MCLA Dr. Mariana Bolivar will lead a panel discussion focusing on how public education, and in particular public higher education, can address the needs of Berkshire County's growing Latino community.** Elected officials, including Senator Ben Downing, local educators, cultural leaders and students will be participating on the panel. *Please email: Thomas.alexander@mcla.edu to reserve a space on a van shuttle leaving at 12:15pm from the fire lane on Montana Street near the Campus Center*