

Friday, January 11, 2002

# **OU** celebrates African-American heroes

Oakland University will mark African-American Celebration Month Jan. 21 through Feb. 20 with a variety of educational and cultural social activities to celebrate "Heroes of Life."

A number of lectures, discussions, films, art exhibits and many other events will fill the month with opportunities for students and the public to learn more about our culturally diverse world.

The opening event will be held Jan. 21 in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. This all-day celebration will give the OU community a chance to participate in events that promote the unification of all cultures. Classes also are not being held at OU on Jan. 21 to honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

The closing event for African-American Celebration Month is the Keeper of the Dream scholarship award banquet, with keynote speaker Martin Luther King, III.

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### January 11-February 17

• Meadow Brook Art Gallery exhibition, "Harmony in Motion: Form and Meaning in Native American Art."

### January 21 — Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Day

- 11:30 a.m.-Noon Campus march starting in the First Floor Foyer of Vandenberg Hall.
- Noon Kevin Powell, author of "Keepin' It Real Post-MTV Reflections on Race, Sex and Politics," will speak at Meadow Brook Theatre.
- 1:30 p.m. Book signing and reception for Kevin Powell at the Pioneer Food Court in the Oakland Center.
- 2:30 p.m. Canned food drive for Oakland County Food Bank in the Oakland Center Fireside Lounge.
- 7 p.m. Candlelight vigil and celebration of Martin Luther King Jr.'s life in the Oakland Center Gold Rooms.

### January 22-February 15

• "Legacy of Heroes: A Treasure Search through Campus Exhibits" at Kresge Library.

### January 24

- 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Diversity Career Fair at the Oakland Center.
- Noon-1 p.m. "Use Diversity to Your Advantage" Workshop in the Oakland Center Fireside Lounge.

### January 25

• Noon-1 p.m. — "NPHC Quilt: A Tapestry of OU Greek History" in the Oakland Center Heritage Room.

### January 26

- 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The History of the Underground Railroad in the City of Detroit. Meet at the Oakland Center Fireside Lounge to board chartered bus. Sign up at the CSA Service Window, 49 Oakland Center, by Friday, Jan. 18. Cost is \$10 per person.
- 8 p.m. SPB Rhythm's Den, Flipsyde, in the Oakland Center Heritage Room.

### January 27

• 5-8 p.m. — "Gospel Extravaganza: The History of Gospel Music" in the Vandenberg Dining Center, Vandenberg Hall.

### January 29

• 7 p.m. — The Hilarious Religious Comedy Tour in the Oakland Center Pioneer Food Court.

### February 5

 5 p.m. — "Heroic Efforts: Words, Photos and Dance," featuring the Cass Technical High School Poet's Society, in the Education Resource Lab, 216 O'Dowd Hall.

# February 6

• 11:30 a.m. — "Men of Honor" film in the Oakland Center Pioneer Food Court.

# February 7

• Noon-1 p.m. — President's Colloquium on Racial Profiling in the Oakland Center Gold Rooms. Reception starts at 11:30 a.m.

# February 8

- Noon-1 p.m. Reaction panel to racial profiling presentation in the Oakland Center Fireside Lounge.
- 7 p.m. Friday Night Live with Comedian Kivi Rogers in the Vandenberg Dining Center, Vandenberg Hall.
- 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Akanke Dance Troupe's Reggae Dance-a-thon in the Oakland Center Gold Rooms. Cost is \$2 for OU students and \$5 for non-OU students.

### February 11

• Noon-1 p.m. — African-American Heroes in Medicine in the Oakland Center Fireside Lounge.

### February 14

• Noon-1 p.m. — Slam Poet Kirk Nugent in the Oakland Center Oakland Room.

### February 19

• 3-5 p.m. — Closing ceremony in the Oakland Center Fireside Lounge.

### February 20

• 6-9 p.m. — 10th anniversary of the Keeper of the Dream Scholarship Awards Banquet with speaker Martin Luther King, III, in the Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion. Cost is \$100 per ticket.

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