



THE SANKOFA NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY EDITION

LOOKING AHEAD



CULTURAL CENTER

FEB 8 | 12:30pm | Cultural Conexiones: Celebrating Black History Month
Cultural & Equity Center

FEB 13 | 2pm | Black History Month Celebration at WBB vs. Notre Dame
KFC Yum! Center

FEB 14 | 1pm-3pm | Melanin Monday
Cultural & Equity Center

FEB 16 | 6pm-8pm | Black Market Place
Red Barn

FEB 17 | 6pm-8pm | Woodford Porter Scholarship Reception

FEB 24 | 12pm-1:30pm | [The "Other" African American IN partnership with Classical Modern Languages](#)
Humanities Rm 205

FEB 28 | 5pm | One Love Workshop with PEACC & LGBT Center
Cultural & Equity Center

WOMEN'S CENTER

FEB 3 | 11am-1pm | Wear Red Day
Cultural & Equity Center

FEB 9 & 23 | 2pm-4pm | Student-Parent Hangouts
Cultural & Equity Center

FEB 24 | 10 am | 12th Annual Human Trafficking Awareness Conference
Virtual

MUHAMMAD ALI INSTITUTE

MAR 31 | 9am-6pm | Save the Date: Muhammad Ali: A Transcendent Life - Standing Up for Peace Symposium
SAC

DIVERSITY EDUCATION & INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE

FEB 2 | 12pm-1:30pm | Implicit Bias Training (Part 1)
Cultural & Equity Center

FEB 10 | 5:30pm-6:30pm | Inclusion & Equity Internship Interest Meeting
Cultural & Equity Center

FEB 16 | 5pm-6:30pm | Implicit Bias Training (Part 2)
Cultural & Equity Center

FEB 25 | 12pm-1:30pm | Microaggressions
Virtual

LGBT CENTER

FEB 9 | 11am-1pm | You Don't Have to Come Out to Come In Pt. 2
SAC MPR

FEB 10 | 12pm & 6pm | PINK! Interest Meetings
Cultural & Equity Center

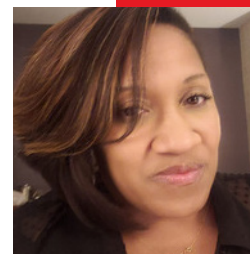
FEB 14 | 4pm | LGBTQ Community Response Network

FEB 22 | 4:30pm | Black LGBTQ+ History Trivia (Faculty & Staff)
University Club/Alumni Center

FEB 23 | Learning Cafe: LGBT and Ally 101
Virtual

A LOOK INTO OUR CENTERS

Happy Black History Month, all day - every day. Hopefully you have moved beyond designating one month to honoring the true story, which doesn't exist without the narratives, and brilliance of the Black experience. If not, we encourage you to make today the first day of the rest of your life, not just the first day of Black History Month. Make a commitment TODAY to embark upon a journey of learning and honoring the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. On behalf of the Cultural and Equity Center, we want to challenge you to move beyond only honoring the contributions of Black people during the month of February. Commit to taking a Pan-African Studies course, commit to reading books that center Black voices and narratives, ensure your work and learning environments are spaces of representation and belonging for Black students and colleagues, review policies and practices to ensure they are not reinforcing white supremacy and oppression, stand in solidarity with Black folk. There are so many ways you can spend 365 days honoring Black folk. What do YOU need to ensure Black Lives Matter 365 days a year? The entire Diversity and Equity unit is here to support and share resources along your journey, so please visit our website or contact anyone on our team to begin or continue your journey.



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CULTURAL & EQUITY CENTER



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LOOKING BACK

JANUARY CENTER HIGHLIGHTS

CULTURAL CENTER

The Compas Peer Mentors kicked off the semester with a booming Conchas & Compas event featuring traditional Mexican stitching.



Mónica Negrón, Director for Hispanic, Latinx & Indigenous Initiatives was featured in the Louisville Alumni Spotlight Series, check out the story [HERE](#).

LGBT CENTER

The LGBT Center and the Office of Admissions hosted Cardinal OUTlook Day, a campus preview day for LGBTQ+ high school students, on January 28th. The only campus preview day of its kind in the nation, OUTlook Day had close to **100** registrants.

WOMEN'S CENTER

The center facilitated a human trafficking awareness & prevention workshop in collaboration with People Against the Trafficking of Humans and the United Against Trafficking on January 31st. The event had more than **100** registrants.

DIVERSITY EDUCATION & INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE

DEIE facilitated it's first workshops for the Spring semester, on "Engaging in Difficult Conversations" and "Antiracism" engaging more than **25** members of the campus community.

MUHAMMAD ALI INSTITUTE

The Muhammad Ali Scholars program held its first Spring bi-weekly on January 28th. The meeting featured guest speaker, Dr. Ahmad Washington, who led a discussion on community-based research.



Ali Scholars were featured in the November 2021 Insight Into Diversity magazine for social justice and activism.

DIVERSITY TIP OF THE MONTH

Are you looking for practical social justice resources to use in the classroom, at home with your family, and beyond?

Check out [Learning for Justice](#).

This website is full of effective resources, activities and strategies for educating and advancing social justice efforts.

Thank you for taking time out to explore our newsletter and we hope to see you soon!
To learn more about our individual centers, please visit us at louisville.edu/diversity/.