



THE SANKOFA NEWSLETTER

MARCH EDITION

LOOKING AHEAD



CULTURAL CENTER

MAR 1 | 5:00pm | **QPR Training**
Cultural & Equity Center MPR

MAR 7 | 1pm-3pm | **Melanin Monday**
Cultural & Equity Center MPR

MAR 9 | 12pm-2pm | **Mesa de Abuela**
Red Barn

MAR 22 | 12pm-1pm | **Cultural Conexiones: Women, Femmes, & Non-Binary**
Cultural & Equity Center MPR

MAR 23 | 4pm-5pm | **Compas & Conchas**
Cultural & Equity Center MPR

MUHAMMAD ALI INSTITUTE

MAR 11 | 1pm-5pm | **MAI Scholar Retreat**
Muhammad Ali Center

MAR 25 | 2pm-3:30pm | **MAI Scholar Group Meeting**
Cultural & Equity Center MPR

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

WOMEN'S CENTER

[Women's History Month Calendar](#)

MAR 5 | 10am-1pm | **16th Annual Kentucky Women's Book Festival**
Microsoft Teams

MAR 24 | 5:30pm-7pm | **Feminist Craft Night**
Cultural & Equity Center MPR

MAR 25 | 12pm-2pm | **Feminist Game Friday**
Cultural & Equity Center MPR

MAR 28 | 5:30pm-7:30pm | **5th Annual Grace Hoppe Celebration of Women in STEM**
Microsoft Teams

DIVERSITY EDUCATION & INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE

MAR 7 | 6pm-7pm | **Social Justice Youth Camp Parent Interest Meeting**
[Microsoft Teams](#)

MAR 9 | 12pm - 1:30pm | **Antiracism Training Part 1**
[Cultural & Equity Center MPR](#)

MAR 23 | 5pm-6:30pm | **Antiracism Training Part 2**
[Cultural & Equity Center MPR](#)

MAR 28 | 12pm-1:30pm | **Power & Privilege Training**
[Cultural & Equity Center MPR](#)

LGBT CENTER

MAR 3 | 6pm-7:30pm | **Sex Worker Introduction & Advocacy Workshop**
Microsoft Teams

MAR 10 | 12pm-1pm | **SafeZone Training**
Microsoft Teams

MAR 17 | 5:30-8:30pm | **LGBT Patient Simulation**
Zoom

MAR 22 | 4:30pm | **LGBTQ+ Suicide Prevention Training**
College of Business Rm. 226

MAR 24 | 1pm-2pm | **LGBT 101**
Microsoft Teams

MAR 30 | 6pm-8pm | **Netflix: Disclosure Pre-Trans Day of Visibility Movie Night**
Cultural & Equity Center MPR

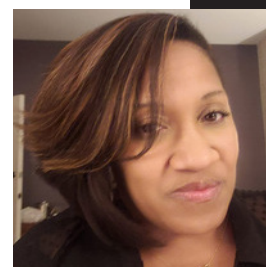
As Identities Intersect

Happy Women's Herstory Month - celebrating womxn, femmes, and non-binary folks! As we reflect on the many accomplishments of women throughout history, it is important to recognize that women, especially trans women of color, are still fighting to be seen, heard, and overall protected. Here at the Diversity and Equity Center, we strive to be an inclusive place of learning, growth, and having the difficult conversations that will overall help with the development of our students, staff, and faculty alike.

Call to Action: Ask yourself each week this month, "What is one way that I can not only show up for a woman, but uplift the voice and work of a woman in my life."

Diversity Tip

Are you looking for resources that inform building an antiracist campus? [See more here!](#)



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LOOKING BACK February Highlights

CULTURAL CENTER

The Cultural Center joined the Office of Admissions and various campus departments to host the Porter Reception. This event celebrates incoming students awarded the Woodford R. Porter Scholarship and provides them with an opportunity to meet university faculty, staff, and students.



DIVERSITY EDUCATION & INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE (DEIE)

DEIE facilitated campus-wide trainings on Implicit Bias and Microaggressions, both virtually and in-person.

DEIE's Director, Marian Vasser, facilitated a town hall meeting with the Asian Pacific Student Union (APSU) on February 17th to discuss challenges faced by the AAPI student campus community and resources available at the University of Louisville. More than 30 students registered this event.

MUHAMMAD ALI INSTITUTE (MAI)

The Muhammad Ali Scholars program held their bi-weekly meetings on Feb. 11th and Feb. 25th. Respectively, the meetings featured Stachelle Bussey, Founder & Executive Director of [The Hope Buss](#) and Joel Dock, Planning Coordinator for [The Land Development Reform](#).

LGBT CENTER

The LGBT Center hosted the "You Don't Have to Come Out to Come In-Spring Edition" event, engaging the campus community. Student, faculty, and staff had an opportunity to network and have some fun while participating in various activities, including icebreakers. Program Coordinator, Sr., Brevin Woodford was featured in a College of Business [article!](#)

WOMEN'S CENTER

The Women's Center and the Student Parent Association (SPA) in collaboration with the Black Student Nurses Association (BSNA), hosted [Wear Red Day](#) in honor of the American Heart Association. Attendees received free blood pressure checks and blood sugar readings.

The Women's Center also hosted the 12th Annual Human Trafficking Awareness Conference, which focuses on preventative state efforts and support for human trafficking victims in Kentucky. More than 300 individuals across the United States have participated in the Women's Center human trafficking awareness and education events so far this year.



DID YOU KNOW?

The Cultural Center awards a scholarship on behalf of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., the first Black Greek Letter Organization to celebrate their 100th chapter anniversary here at UofL and in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

The LGBT Center highlights Stormé DeLarverie who was a biracial, butch lesbian performer & activist. She was the only drag king in the first racially integrated drag revue in North America. Read more [here](#).

The Women's Center recognizes Mary Beatrice Davidson Kenner. She was an inventor who is most noted for her development of the adjustable sanitary belt. She has the most patents of any African American woman.

DEIE celebrates Grace Lee Boggs who was an activist, writer, and speaker. Her work in tenant's rights activism focused on the struggles of the African-American community. Read more [here](#).

MAI brings attention to Mary Jane Patterson who was the first Black woman to graduate from an established American College, Oberlin College.

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

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