

MLK CELEBRATION 2017 JANUARY 16—22

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MONDAY

MLK SILENT CANDLELIGHT VIGIL

7:06 p.m.

Begins at VCUarts Depot, 814 W. Broad St., Monroe Park Campus

A candlelight vigil will be held to commemorate the life and legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. Participants will engage in a silent vigil and march, which will begin at the VCUarts Depot, 814 W. Broad St., Monroe Park Campus. This event will include a brief dialogue on King's legacy.

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TUESDAY

MLK BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND SERVICE

Noon

Monroe Park Campus: Commons Lobby, University Student Commons
MCV Campus: Larrick Student Center

VCU community members will celebrate the contributions and principles of King, while participating in service projects to support elder care residents and military families. (Program will occur at both locations at the same time.)

CAMPUS CLIMATE DISCUSSION

Noon

University Student Commons, Virginia Rooms

Research on diversity and student success in higher education has identified campus climate as a critical framework for understanding why not all students thrive equally even with access to the same educational opportunities. This session is designed to bring students, faculty and staff together to discuss the current VCU campus climate. Campus climate includes but is not limited to: institutional history, policies, and structures, perceptions and attitudes of the campus community. This conversation will focus on exploring ways to support the most marginalized members of our community.

"MORE THAN A SOUNDBITE" TEACH-IN

3 p.m.

University Student Commons, Office of Multicultural Student Affairs, Room 215

Faculty, staff and students will discuss and learn about the stories behind King's most famous speeches.

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WEDNESDAY

"BROTHER OUTSIDER" DOCUMENTARY

Noon

University Student Commons, Office of Multicultural Student Affairs, Room 215

The Office of Multicultural Student Affairs will show clips from the documentary highlighting the contributions of Bayard Rustin to the Civil Rights Movement. In addition, guests will discuss the overall impact of the LGBTQIA+ community during the Civil Rights Movement.

MLK KEYNOTE SPEAKER - MARC LAMONT HILL, PH.D.

7 p.m.

University Student Commons, Commonwealth Ballrooms

Marc Lamont Hill, Ph.D., author, media personality and Morehouse College professor, will deliver a keynote address on race, politics and social justice.

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THURSDAY

HOMELESSNESS IN RICHMOND: A COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

4—5:30 pm

ASPiRE Building, West Grace South Residence Hall, Room 1004A, 835 W. Grace St.

Who are the homeless people you encounter everyday? What can you do to help? The Division of Community Engagement will host a forum to discuss homelessness in Richmond. Speakers will include Sarah K. Price, Ph.D., Associate Professor, VCU School of Social Work, and Susan Sekerke, Advancement Coordinator, The Daily Planet. Anyone interested in addressing homelessness is encouraged to attend. Light refreshments will be served.

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Collection of pencils to benefit Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School will occur throughout the celebration week at all events.

BOOK COLLECTION DRIVE

Collection of lightly used books to benefit Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School will occur throughout the celebration week at all events. Note: books must be age appropriate for 10- to 15-year-old readers.

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COLLECTION DRIVES



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