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NEWS RELEASE

SLATE OF ACTIVITIES PLANNED AT UD FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH

DAYTON, Ohio —The University of Dayton will celebrate Black History Month 2000 with various events including a candlelight march, several musical performances and guest speakers, and the fourth annual "Colors of Leadership" student conference.

Except as noted below, all events are free and open to the public.

- On Monday, Jan. 31, at noon in Kennedy Union Room 312, Julius Amin, associate professor of history at UD, will speak as part of the University's Brown Bag lecture series. He will address the historical aspect of African-Americans in the United States.
- On Tuesday, Feb. 1, at noon in the Kennedy Union Ballroom, Black History Month will officially begin with a kick-off celebration with dancers, music and games.
- On Tuesday, Feb. 1, at 7:30 p.m. in the Kennedy Union Ballroom, a special guest speaker will be George C. Fraser, the best-selling author of *Success Runs in Our Race: The Complete Guide to Effective Networking in the African-American Community*. Fraser, the recipient of the United Negro College Fund National Volunteer of the Year Award, will be followed by a concert by the Ebenezer Baptist Choir from Columbus.
- On Thursday, Feb. 3, at noon in Kennedy Union Room 312, dean's scholars students will speak as part of the Brown Bag lecture series about theme-based housing on the UD campus.
- On Thursday, Feb. 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the Kennedy Union Boll Theatre, the Khamisi African Drum Co., a drum and dance company from Cincinnati, will perform native African dance and music. The performance will include audience participation.
- On Monday, Feb. 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the Kennedy Union Boll Theatre, the Dayton Contemporary Dance Co. development group will perform.
- On Wednesday, Feb. 9, at noon in Kennedy Union Room 312, Shauntey James, assistant professor of sociology, anthropology and social work, will speak as part of the Brown Bag lecture series about African-American women's issues.

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- On Wednesday, Feb. 9, at 7:30 p.m. in Sears Recital Hall in the Jesse Philips Humanities Center on campus, a poetry night program will feature Anthony Butts and Sheila Hughes, assistant professors of English at UD.
- On Thursday, Feb. 10, at 7 p.m. in Kennedy Union Boll Theatre, a jazz ensemble concert will feature Eddie Brookshire, a local bass player, and Eddie Bayard, a saxophonist from Columbus.
- On Sunday, Feb. 13, at 4 p.m. in Kennedy Union Boll Theatre, UD's Symphonic Wind Ensemble and Concert Band will perform under the direction of Patrick Reynolds and Linda Hartley, conductors and associate professors of music.
- On Monday, Feb. 14, at 8 p.m. in the Kennedy Union Ballroom, the Flyer Dance Band and Dayton Jazz Orchestra will provide music for the "Big Band Dance for Lovers."
- On Tuesday, Feb. 15, at noon in Kennedy Union Room 312, Vernellia Randall, professor of law, will speak for the Brown Bag lecture series about African-Americans in the legal profession.
- On Saturday, Feb. 19, at 9 p.m. at the McGinnis Center, 301 Lowes St., there will be a semi-formal dance with a disc jockey. Cost is \$3 for singles and \$5 per couple.
- On Sunday, Feb. 20, at 7 p.m. in Sears Recital Hall in the Jesse Philips Humanities Center on campus, students from the University of Dayton, Central State University and Wilberforce University will perform selected music by black classical composers.
- On Monday, Feb. 21, at noon in Kennedy Union Room 312, Bruce Carr, director of the UD minority engineering program, will speak for the Brown Bag lecture series about minority health.
- On Tuesday, Feb. 22, at 8 p.m. in Sears Recital Hall in the Jesse Philips Humanities Center on campus, there will be a Jazz Nite program. Members of the University of Dayton Jazz Combo will perform the music of Count Basie and Duke Ellington.
- On Friday and Saturday, Feb. 25 and 26, the fourth annual "Colors of Leadership" student conference will be presented. Theme for the conference is "Richer Shades of Colors: Enhancing the Minds, Bodies, and Souls of Our People," and it will feature workshops on mind enhancement ("Motivating the Young Collegiate Mind," "Positive Affirmation" and "Graduate School: The After College Experience"), body enhancement ("Holistic Exercise," "Eating Better to Have More Energy" and "Drugs and Alcohol") and soul enhancement, which will include sessions with area pastors and priests giving talks on spiritual enhancement, meditation and prayer. Registration begins Friday, Feb. 25, at 6 p.m. and the conference runs from approximately 10 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 26. There is a \$20 fee to participate.

For more information on Black History Month events at the University of Dayton, call the diverse student populations office at (937) 229-3634.