

ARTSCENTER

ArtsCenter to host open house for African-American community

The ArtsCenter will host an interactive open house for the African-American community on Sunday, Jan. 13 from 2:00 to 5 p.m. The open house will feature a community-led roundtable, refreshments, local entertainment and tours of the facility.

Organizers say the event is part of the center's ongoing effort to make sure programming better reflects the community.

The event will begin at 2 p.m. with entertainment by Turbo in the Earl and Rhoda Wynn Theater, Teli and Mabiniti on Kora and Balla in the gallery, and T.J. demonstrating Capoeira in the dance studio. Whole Foods will be providing refreshments, and tours of The ArtsCenter will also be offered. ArtSchool teachers will be on-hand to provide mini classes and demonstrations and staff members will be available to answer questions and hear feedback. At 4 p.m., participants will gather in the West End Theater to provide feedback and suggestions in a community-led roundtable. The event is free and open to all.

BRANCH LIBRARY

Workshops at Carrboro Branch Library

A free workshop on textile art will be part of an exhibit of textiles curated by local artists Anita Wolfenden, Linda Carmel and Nerys Levy at the Carrboro Branch Library.

The exhibition, which features 21 local textile artists, is designed to present an overview of the range and possibilities within the discipline of fiber art — from wool and felt to silk, paper to soft sculptures.

At the January 20 reception, there will be demonstrations of some of the processes involved in the production of textile art. Also during the life of the exhibition, the library will hold a free art workshop led by one of the show's participating artists. The exhibit is made possible by the Friends of the Carrboro Branch Library and the Fowler Foundation. For more information, call 969-3006.

On Saturday, Jan. 21, the library will feature a workshop based on the library's current art exhibit, "Water, our most precious resource." Artist Sudie Rakusin will teach a free art workshop on the theme "Underwater animals and plants," based on her altered book techniques.

Spaces at the workshop are limited. Children under 10 must be accompanied by adults. To enroll, please call the library at 969-3006. Supplies list given on enrollment.

UNC CAMPUS

Jewish studies talks to probe music, the South, more

Jewish music, Zionist ideology and Jewish merchants in the post-Civil War South are among topics to be explored in a spring lecture series at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

UNC's Carolina Center for Jewish Studies will present the free public lectures, all at 7:30 p.m. in the theater of the Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History at 150 South Road. Dates, titles and speakers for the four lectures will be:

Jan. 14: "Israel and the Diaspora: Convergence or Rupture?" Derek Penslar, Samuel J. Zacks Professor of Jewish History at the University of Toronto. In his talk, UNC's Morris, Ida and Alan Heilig Lecture in Jewish Studies, Penslar will examine how Zionist ideology and the Israeli state are not as far removed from Diaspora Jewish norms as is commonly thought.

Feb. 4: "Jewish Merchants and Former Slaves: The Economic Relationship in the Post-Civil War South," Eric Goldstein, director of the graduate program in Jewish studies and associate professor at Emory University. The talk will be UNC's Sylvia and Irving Margolis Lecture on the Jewish Experience in the American South.

March 3: "Jewish Music and All That Jazz," Joshua Jacobson, professor of music and director of choral activities at Northeastern University. In the Kaplan-Brauer Lecture on the

Contribution of Judaism to Civilization, Jacobson will examine the impact of American life on Jewish composers and the impact of Jews on American music.

April 14: "A Brief History of 3200 Years," Richard Elliott Friedman, Ann and Jay Davis Professor of Jewish studies at the University of Georgia, will discuss why understanding present-day Israel involves exploring its history dating back to biblical times. The talk is made possible by a grant from the Charles H. Revson Foundation in honor of Eli N. Evans of New York City, a 1958 UNC alumnus.

The lectures are co-sponsored by other campus units including the Carolina Center for the Study of the Middle East and Muslim Civilizations, the Center for the Study of the American South and the departments of music and religion.

For more information, visit <http://ccjs.unc.edu> or call (919) 962-1509. please call the library at 969-3006. Supplies list given on enrollment.



CARRBORO/CHAPEL HILL

The annual community celebration of the life of Martin Luther King, Jr. will be held Jan. 21 beginning with a rally with speeches and song at 9:30 a.m. at the Peace & Justice Plaza at the Franklin Street Post Office. At 10:30 a.m. participants will march west on Franklin Street to First Baptist at 106 N. Roberson Street for the annual service commemorating King's life. The Rev. Curtis Gatewood, former president of the Durham Chapter of the NAACP, is the featured speaker at the 11 a.m. service.

CHATHAM COUNTY

The annual Martin Luther King Prayer Breakfast will be held Saturday, Jan. 19 at 8am at the Holy Trinity Church in Siler City. Donation is \$8. For more information, contact Alma Taylor at 774-8492.

TRIANGLE WIDE

The 27th annual Triangle Interfaith Prayer breakfast will be held Monday, Jan. 21 at 8 a.m. at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel in Research Triangle Park. The event is free and open to the public. Information is available on the web at www.king-raleigh.org. Doors open at 7:15am

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JAN 20
6pm — 23rd Annual University/Community Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Banquet, William &

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY EVENTS

Ida B. Friday Center for Continuing Education, Keynote Speaker: Rev. Chancy R. Edwards, Pastor Emeritus, First Baptist Church, Fayetteville, NC and senior advisor to the governor of North Carolina. To purchase tickets, please contact 962-6962 or visit unc.edu/diversity/mlk/schedule

JAN 21

Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday Observance

- Day for Service, 8:30 a.m., Meet at Great Hall, Carolina Union

- MLK Youth Leadership Program, 9:30 am www.unc.edu/rocts.

- He Was a Poem: A Gathering in the Tradition, 7 pm Robert and Sallie Brown Gallery and Museum, The Sonja Haynes Stone Center

This event will explore King's legacy through music, poetry and spoken word with musician Bradley Simmons of the Duke University Djembe Ensemble, poets Michael and Lita Simanga and spoken word artist Kim Arrington.

JAN 22

- Candlelight Vigil, 6:30pm, McCorkle Place, around the Old Well

- MLK Keynote Lecture: Ruby Dee and Presentation of 26th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship, 7pm, Memorial Hall, Ruby Dee UNC Students: free tickets available, Jan 10, General Public: free tickets available Jan 16. Limit 2 tickets per person. Memorial Hall Box Office Information: 843-3333

JAN 23

- Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Oratorical Contest, 7:30pm, Caberet, Carolina Union, Oratorical contest participants will address "From Dreams to Reality: The Illusion of Full Inclusion."



RUBY DEE

JAN 24

- Screening and Discussion, 5pm, Auditorium, Fedex Global Education Center, Join filmmaker Michele Stephenson for the North Carolina debut of "Faces of Change," an award-winning documentary following the stories of five activists working to eradicate racism in New Orleans, Mauritania, India, Brazil and Bulgaria. A discussion with the filmmaker will follow the screening.

- Unity Dinner, 7:30pm, Seminar Rooms and Gallery, Campus Y

Carolina students from an array of organizations will come together to share dinner and make new connections. Registration is limited.

JAN 25

- The Lived Experience of Race: Reflections on "A Class Divided" and MLK's Dream of a Better Tomorrow, 12:15pm, 1:15pm and 2:15pm, Great Hall, Carolina Union

In this experiential screening, participants will be seated based on eye color to view selections of the PBS documentary "A Class Divided," which recounts school teacher Jane Elliot's "blue eye, brown eye" exercise, and Martin Luther King's "I Have A Dream" speech.

- "I, Too, Sing America": The New Frontier, 7pm, Great Hall, Student Union,

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