

Events listed are open to all USF Students, Faculty, and Staff

FEB 2 **The Spark: The Liberation of Africa through the Civil Rights Movement**
Marshall Student Center (MSC) 3711, 6-8pm;
Hosted by: African Students Association & Office of Multicultural Affairs
A presentation delving into the simultaneous independence movements of multiple African nations and civil rights movements during the 1980's in America.

FEB 6 **Black Heritage Month Kick-Off**
Marshall Student Center (MSC) Atrium, 1-3pm;
Hosted by: Office of Multicultural Affairs & Black Heritage Month Student Planning Committee
Join us as we education both the USF and Tampa Bay community on the importance of the history and significance of the Black culture.

FEB 6 **Black Student Union General Body Meeting: Deconstructing the word Ni**a**
Marshall Student Center (MSC) 3705, 5-6pm; Hosted by: Black Student Union
Discussion of key points within the black culture on in-group language and the power words have on a larger community.

FEB 7 **2nd Annual Freedom and Justice Lunch and Learn Film Series -**
Mighty Times: The Children's March
USF Library (LIB) 4th Floor – Grace Allen Room, 12-1pm; Hosted by: The Freedom and Justice Concerned Citizens, Institute on Black Life, Black Faculty and Staff Association
A collaborative speaker series that examines current events and policies in our nation that directly impact our community. Join us as facilitators guide small group discussions on strategies to improve local and global communities.

FEB 7 **Black Heritage Month Sankofa Celebration**
Marshall Student Center (MSC) Ballroom, 6-7:30pm;
Hosted by: Office of Multicultural Affairs & Black Heritage Month Student Planning Committee
Sankofa: Incorporating our Past into the Present to Make Progress to the Future!
Join the Office of Multicultural Affairs as we educate both the USF and Tampa Bay community on the importance of the history and significance of the Black Culture.

FEB 9 **Family, Home, and Community in Africa and the Diaspora**
USF Gibbons Alumni Center (ALC) Traditions Hall, 9am – 4:30pm;
Hosted by: Institutes on Black Life, Center for Africa and the Diaspora, USF - Research One & the Department of Africana Studies
This symposium, in honor of the 30th anniversary of the Institute on Black Life and UN International Decade for People of African Descent, will feature research and scholarship that analyzes complex and multi-layered factors affecting Black families and communities around the globe. The program will include panels and presentations by USF faculty and students. The program will also include the nationally recognized scholar, Dr. Sabiyha Prince, who will present one of the keynote addresses. Dr. Prince's most recent book is entitled, "African Americans and Gentrification in Washington, D.C: Race, Class and Social Justice in the Nation's Capital." The program concludes with an evening public lecture (MSC Oval Theatre) by author of "Home going", Yaa Gyasi.

FEB 9 **Diversity Lecture Series Presents Mr. Daniel Labossiere**
Marshall Student Center (MSC) 3709, 6-7:30pm;
Hosted by: Office of Diversity, Inclusion, and Equal Opportunity & Club Creole
Please join the USF Office of Diversity, Inclusion, and Equal Opportunity and Club Creole for the Diversity Lecture Series with author Daniel Labossiere. Daniel was born in Haiti, and moved to Brooklyn, New York with his family to escape the persecution in Duvalier, and due to deteriorating living conditions, then moved to South Florida. He attended the University of South Florida and graduated with a degree in accounting. The Power of the Baton is his first published novel; an inspirational tale of a family's battle to escape political persecution and poverty in Haiti by migrating to the United States.

FEB 9 **Frontier Forum: An Evening with Yaa Gyasi**
Marshall Student Center (MSC) Oval Theater, 7:30-9:30pm;
Hosted by: College of Arts and Sciences & Institute on Black Life
Yaa Gyasi is the New York Times Best Selling author of Homegoing, one of the most celebrated debuts of 2016. Homegoing is a story of race, history, ancestry, love, and time that traces the descendants of two sisters torn apart in eighteenth-century Africa across three hundred years in Ghana and America. Join us for this exciting discussion as Gyasi explores contemporary craft, cultural identity, and the complex racial landscape of America's past and present. There will be a book signing following the lecture.

FEB 9 **100 Years of Black History**
Marshall Student Center (MSC) 2708, 8:45-10:30pm;
Hosted by: Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc.
This event will showcase the history of African American's throughout the last 100 years through fashion, performances, and displays by students.

FEB 14 **2nd Annual Freedom and Justice Lunch and Learn Film Series - America Divided: Democracy for Sale**
USF Library (LIB) 4th Floor – Grace Allen Room, 12-1pm;
Hosted by: The Freedom and Justice Concerned Citizens, Institute on Black Life, Black Faculty and Staff Association
America Divided: Democracy for Sale, moderated by Dr. Natasha Goodley;
A collaborative speaker series that examines current events and policies in our nation that directly impact our community. Join us as facilitators guide small group discussions on strategies to improve local and global communities.

FEB 15 **Diversity Lecture Series Presents Dr. Brian Williams**
Marshall Student Center (MSC) 3705, 3-4:30pm;
Hosted by: Office of Diversity, Inclusion, and Equal Opportunity & Morsani College of Medicine - Office of Student Diversity and Enrichment
Please join the USF Office of Diversity, Inclusion, and Equal Opportunity and the Office of Student Diversity and Enrichment in the Morsani College of Medicine for the Diversity Lecture Series with Dr. Brian H. Williams. Brian H. Williams, M.D., is an Associate Professor of Surgery in the Division of Burn/Trauma/Critical Care at UT Southwestern, and has also graduated from the United States Air Force Academy. Dr. Williams is Program Director for the General Surgery Residency Program at UT Southwestern. He is a member of the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma, the National Medical Association, the Society of Black Academic Surgeons, and the Society of Critical Care Medicine, among others.

FEB 16 **Hairitage: Can I Touch Your Hair? Navigating True Standards of Beauty**
Marshall Student Center (MSC) 3306, 6-7pm;
Hosted by: Office of Multicultural Affairs & Black Heritage Month Student Planning Committee
Join us as we discuss the standards of beauty in the Black community through the lens of history, defying stereotypes, navigating professional work spaces, and how social media & family dynamics influence one's authentic self.

FEB 18 **Intercultural Student Leadership Conference**
Marshall Student Center (MSC) Ballroom, 9am-5pm
Hosted by: Office of Multicultural Affairs
The Office of Multicultural Affairs Presents the 2017 Intercultural Student Leadership Conference (ISLC)! ISLC is designed to support the engagement and retention of under-represented students at USF by providing inspiration, co-curricular connections, and campus resources to support their path to success. Students will engage in discussion and educational sessions and will culminate their ISLC experience by creating a Dream, Believe, Achieve Action Plan which focuses on articulating one's goals and aspirations (DREAMS), identifying the individuals on campus that have helped them on their journey (BELIEVERS), and making a step by step plan to ACHIEVE one's goals.
Deadline to register is Friday, February 3rd by 5pm. Register [here](#) or visit usf.edu/multicultural for more information.

FEB 21 **2nd Annual Freedom and Justice Lunch and Learn Film Series – Hidden Colors 3: The Rules of Racism**
USF Tampa Library (LIB) 4th Floor – Grace Allen Room, 12- 1pm;
Hosted by: The Freedom and Justice Concerned Citizens, Institute on Black Life, Black Faculty and Staff Association
A collaborative speaker series that examines current events and policies in our nation that directly impact our community. Join us as facilitators guide small group discussions on strategies to improve local and global communities.

FEB 23 **Black & Abroad: Diversity Series**
Marshall Student Center (MSC) 3705, 5-6:30pm;
Hosted by: Education Abroad
This is a student led event that helps shed light on specific barriers that the Black student population faces with regard to study abroad. Study Abroad is for everyone and this program hopes to address many issues facing underrepresented groups and guide them towards a study abroad experience of their own.

FEB 24 **Poetic and Pink**
Marshall Student Center (MSC) 3707, 7-9pm;
Hosted by: Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc.
This open-mic night highlights the achievements of African-Americans through spoken word, poetry, song, and other forms of art.
To perform, contact marvelous.president@gmail.com.

FEB 28 **Film Screening of 13th and Discussion**
Marshall Student Center (MSC) Oval Theater, 7-11pm; Hosted by: Black Student Union, the Freedom and Justice Concerned Citizens, Institute on Black Life, Black Faculty and Staff Association
The film *13th* draws a connection between the institution of slavery and mass incarceration in the United States. Come share your thoughts as we watch clips from the film and join in a discussion of the issues it addresses.

FEB 1 - 28 **Black Heritage Month Icons**
Marshall Student Center (MSC) 3300 Window Display; Hosted by: Office of Multicultural Affairs
Visit our office and reflect on Black leaders throughout history and the overall impact of Black Heritage Month.

Black Heritage Month: Student Spotlight
Marshall Student Center (MSC) 3300 Window Display; Hosted by: Office of Multicultural Affairs
There is not just one face that represents Black identity. Celebrate the rich diversity across USF as we highlight student leaders that help influence our campus culture in a positive way.

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For reasonable accommodations, please call Justin Monell at 813-974-5111 (FL Relay 711).