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WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2005

Explore the Past ~ Understand the Future

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1 SOUL FOOD DINNER

5:30 P.M., 4th FLOOR OF DUC
Celebrate and enjoy the delicious taste of soul food which is considered a tradition of the African American family.
Sponsored by The Office of Diversity Programs

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3 POET, AUTHOR NIKKY FINNEY 3:00 P.M. - WKU GLASGOW CAMPUS 7:00 P.M. - BG COMMUNITY COLLEGE

A founding member of the Affrilachian Poets, Finney is the author of three books of poetry, *On Wings Made of Gauze*, *Rice*, which won a PEN America Open Book Award, and *The World is Round*. She is also the author of *Heartwood*, a collection of short stories. She was the scriptwriter for the documentary "For Posterity's Sake," the story of Harlem photographers Morgan and Marvin Smith.
Sponsored by The Southern Kentucky Book Fest partners

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10 LECTURE & DISCUSSION WITH DR. RICKEY JONES, AUTHOR OF

BLACK HAZE: VIOLENCE, SACRIFICE, AND MANHOOD IN BLACK GREEK-LETTER FRATERNITIES
7:00 P.M., DUC 340

Dr. Jones will discuss his book which examines the five major black Greek-letter fraternities in regards to the culture of pledging and hazing practices. Jones maintains that hazing rituals within these fraternities are more deeply ingrained, physically violent, and imbued with meaning to their participants than the initiation rites of other ethnic groups.
Sponsored by Campus Activities Board

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12 THE CRIMSON & CREAM BALL 10:30 P.M. - 2:00 A.M.

KNICELY CONFERENCE CENTER
Dress to Impress! \$12 in advance, \$20 @ the door for Singles/ \$22 in advance, \$30 @ the door for Couples.
Sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. & Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., WKU

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18 SISTER 2 SISTER BOOK CLUB SERIES WITH AUTHOR TAJUANA BUTLER



The selected book for this discussion is *Hand-me-down Heartache*, which is a novel about a young woman navigating the sometimes rocky terrain of family, career, and relationships. This event is by invitation only. Please contact Tracey Williams @745-7096 for more information.

Sponsored by the Office of Diversity Programs & Sister 2 Sister

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19 THE TALENT SHOWCASE

6:00 P.M., GIRLS, INC.
Youth in the Bowling Green and Warren County area will showcase their talents in song, dance, poetry, and much more. For more information, contact Tracey Williams at 745-7096 or Felicia Blaud at 842-8138.
Sponsored by The Martin Luther King Planning Committee

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21 BLACK HISTORY MONTH COMEDY SHOW FEATURING BET'S COMEDIANS RICKEY SMILEY & STEVE BROWN



6:00 P.M., VAN METER AUDITORIUM
TICKETS \$5.00 FOR ADVANCED STUDENT TICKETS, \$15.00 AT THE DOOR

8:30 SHOW, \$15.00 FOR ALL TICKETS
Get ready to laugh until it hurts! Featuring two comedians who have performed on BET's *Comic View* and HBO's *Def Comedy Jam*.

Rickey Smiley has established himself as a clean comic, and his down home southern humor has made him a favorite in the nation's top comedy venues. His character impersonations have become a comedic trademark. Best known as host of the 2000 season of BET's *ComicView*, Rickey led the show to its highest jump in ratings in the show's ten-year history. His television appearances included *Showtime at the Apollo*, HBO's *Def Comedy Jam*, *Snaps*, and BET's *Comic View*.

Notoriously known for his high-energy stage show and high-pitched voice, Steve Brown has been ripping up clubs and colleges all across the country with his quick wit and unpredictable physical comedy. He has been showcased on Russell Simon's *Def comedy Jam* and has been on BET's *Comic View* for eight seasons.

Musical Entertainment will be provided by recording artist, Adrianna Archie.

Tickets will be sold in the Student Activities office in DUC beginning 2/07/05. There is a limited number of tickets available and will be sold on a first come-first served basis.
Sponsored by CAB & The Office of Diversity Programs

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24 AUTHOR PANDORA JACKSON-SEARS 6:30 P.M. - BG PUBLIC LIBRARY



Sears is an associate minister, author, motivational speaker, and diversity consultant. In her publication, *Dipped in Milk: Conversations between an African American son and his mother*, she explores the mind of her adolescent son and the issues he faces.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24 SUN DOWN, SUN UP

9:00 P.M., NITE CLASS IN DUC
This program focuses on maintaining and sharing African American lasting values and the continuing community traditions for the antebellum to the present. For more information, contact Dr. Njoku at 745-5907.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24 REMEMBERING OUR HISTORY

8:00 P.M., DUC THEATER
Organizations and groups will perform to educate students on black history. All proceeds will benefit the American Sickle Cell Anemia Association. \$1.00 Admission.
Sponsored by Gamma Sigma Sigma National Service Society

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26 THE ANNUAL BLACK HISTORY MONTH BANQUET

7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.,
KNICELY INSTITUTE
Contact Maxine Hardin at 745-4252 for more information and tickets.
Sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. - Bowling Green Alumnae

BLACK HISTORY MONTH AT THE KENTUCKY MUSEUM

Exhibits:
"Our Community Is Your Community"
Photographs by Brent Whillow
Kentucky Museum - Gallery A
African American Artists of Warren County
Kentucky Museum - Gallery J
*Both exhibits displayed January 17 - April 30

BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAMMING ON WKYU-PBS

Unforgivable Blackness: The Rise and Fall of Jack Johnson
Fridays at 8:00 PM February 4 and 11; repeats Sundays at 10:00 AM, February 6 and 13.

Safe Harbor
Sunday, February 6 at 8:00 PM

Enduring Faith
Sunday, February 13 at 8:00 PM

American Experience "Citizen King"
Friday, February 18 at 8:00 PM and Sunday, February 20 at 11:00 AM.

Ernest J. Gaines: Louisiana Stories
Sunday, February 20 at 8:00 PM

Moments of Dignity
Sunday, February 27 at 8:00 PM

American Experience "The Fight"
Friday, February 25 at 8:00 PM and Sunday, February 27 at 11:00 AM.

An Unlikely Friendship
Friday, February 25 at 9:30

For detailed program descriptions, please go to www.wkyu.org or www.pbs.org.

Calendar of Events coordinated by the Office of Diversity Programs