

# BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Honoring the Past, Celebrating the Future ..... FEBRUARY 2024

## Black History Month Live Music Mixer

**February 1 | 1:45 PM | Hound Square**

Come enjoy lively cultural music with pizza. Open to entire campus community.

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## Africana Studies Kick-Off Black History Month

**February 7 | 1:40 PM | NB, 9.64**

This kick-off event will feature the John Jay College Choir leading the audience in song, while the college community joins us in the "Electric Slide." Black trivia will showcase the diversity of Black history and culture, and there will be swag giveaways to students.

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**Prof. Crystal Endsley-Taylor** | [cendsley@jjay.cuny.edu](mailto:cendsley@jjay.cuny.edu)

## 30th Lloyd George Sealy Lecture

**February 8 | 6:00 PM | NB, Moot Court, 6.68**

30th Lloyd George Sealy Lecture featuring The Honorable Edwina G. Richardson, Deputy Chief Administrative Judge for Justice Initiatives. Remarks by President Mason and Julieann Stapleton, President, NOBLE NY Chapter.

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## Black Love Discussion

**February 14 | 1:40 PM | L2.84**

During this event, the Black Student Union and West Indies Massive will host and facilitate a discussion around Black Love.

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**West Indies Massive** | [wimassive@jjay.cuny.edu](mailto:wimassive@jjay.cuny.edu)

## Poetry Readings by Students

**February 15 | 1:40 PM | NB, Moot Court, 6.68**

Facilitated by a faculty member, students will read poetry from historical and contemporary poets. There will be discussions and comments of the readings by the student audience.

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## Soul Train

**February 15 | 1:40 PM | Hound Square**

During this event, we will host a soul-train-themed get-together in Hound Square. This event will have a DJ and feature soul train-related dancing etc. We encourage everyone to wear throwback gear relating to the Soul Train theme!

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## Family Feud

**February 20 | 1:40 PM | TBD**

We will host a black trivia game event modeled after Family Feud.

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**Urban Male Initiative** | [umi@jjay.cuny.edu](mailto:umi@jjay.cuny.edu)

## DEI Committee Tabling

**February 22 | 1:40 PM | Kroll Atrium**

During this event, we plan to provide a safe space for students to share their experiences at John Jay.

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## Film Screening, Thomas Sankara—The Upright Man

**February 22 | 6:00 PM | NB, Moot Court, 6.68**

This documentary shows how a serious government of dedicated leaders can arrest and reverse the African malaise and improve living standards. Sankara demanded a new mindset: self-sufficiency.

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## Malcolm/King Leadership Awards Virtual Celebration

**February 23 | 10:00-11:00 AM | Zoom**

The annual awards ceremony celebrates and honors the mission set forth by Malcolm X and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. of peace, equality, and freedom, and highlights the talent, determination, and success of John Jay students.

To Register: <https://bit.ly/3ucsnmR>

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## GRACE

**February 27 | 5:00 PM | Student Dining Hall, East End**

This is one of BSU's signature events celebrating the year of GRACE and recognizing excellence at the end of Black History Month.

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## Hamilton Play

**February 27 | 7:00 PM | TBD**

During this event, students will be given the opportunity to watch Hamilton Live.

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## Interactive Creative Writing Workshop with Tony Keith

**February 28 | 1:40 PM | TBD**

How the Boogeyman became a poet. Dr. Tony Keith, Jr. is an award-winning internationally acclaimed poet and spoken word artist. He will introduce his debut novel-in-verse and lead a creative writing exercise session that will explore the links between Hip-Hop and spoken word poetry.

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## Film Screening & Discussion on Black Hair

**February 29 | 1:40 PM | NB, 9.64**

*Back to Natural* is a 69-minute documentary on Black hair by filmmaker and Clinical Psychologist Gillian Scott-Ward. Following the screening, Dr. Scott-Ward will provide comments and address questions from the audience.

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## Leaders of Justice Featuring The Honorable Zellnor Myrie

**February 29 | 4:30 PM | Zoom**

Hear from an elected official making history—Prime Senate Sponsor of the Clean Slate Act, Advocate for Sentencing and Parole Reform, Voting Rights Reformer, and Champion of Victims Compensation. Discussion and Q&A facilitated by President Karol V. Mason.

Location: **Virtual (Zoom)** | [www.jjay.cuny.edu/Myrie](http://www.jjay.cuny.edu/Myrie)

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