

FEBRUARY

1 BLACK HISTORY MONTH-OPENING EVENT/CANDLELIGHT VIGIL

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM @ STUDENT UNION PRE-FUNCTION AREA

The UIS Diversity Center uses this event to open Black History Month and begin the month-long celebration of the Black/African diaspora culture. There will be performances and shared experiences amongst the campus community. There will also be a reflection of those who came before us and paved the way.

WOMEN OF COLOR WEDNESDAY

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM @ DIVERSITY CENTER

Please join us every week as we gather in the Diversity Center for meaningful discussions, activities, and workshops geared toward uplifting, guiding, and providing a safe space for women of color at UIS.

ECCE SERIES: FLAMENCO-JAZZ CROSSCURRENTS: A MUSICAL CASE STUDY OF INTERCULTURAL COLLABORATION, LECTURE & PERFORMANCE

6:00 PM @ BROOKENS AUDITORIUM

ECCE presents Dr. Brian Stark will outline the interaction of cultural forces during the evolution of the flamenco-jazz style, with an emphasis on jazz musician Miles Davis's perception of the similarities between his experience as a Black American and that of the Spanish Roma people who originated flamenco.

2 EYES ON THE PRIZE WATCH PARTY

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM @ DIVERSITY CENTER

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CARDS & CONVERSATIONS

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM @ DIVERSITY CENTER

Hosted by the Men of Color Initiative, come to the Bi-weekly Cards and Conversations. This is a time when we learn a new card game and talk about various topics. From financial literacy to building relationships, the conversations are wide-ranging and open to all!

3 FEMINIST FRIDAY: PRETTY BLACK

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM @ DIVERSITY CENTER

Join us as we collab with Gender and Sexuality Student Services and discuss the intersectionality between queer identities, fashion and Black contributions!

STUDIO B

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM @ TRAC MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

Let's jam to hip-hop and have fun!

4 BHM 2023 MLK SERVICE PROJECT: LOVE YOUR BLOCK

12:00 PM - 2:15 PM @ STUDENT UNION FULL BALLROOM

The Diversity Center, Volunteer and Civic Engagement Center, and Student Affairs are hosting the annual service for MLK Day to bring the UIS Community together to give back to our community. We have a fun service project planned that has an opportunity for everyone to get involved.

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8 BLACK CITIZEN SOLDIERS AND LEADERS PANEL

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM @ LRH GREATROOM

This will be a discussion panel event where Black members of the Illinois Army National Guard will discuss opportunities, successes, and challenges. They also will discuss how they've managed to balance civilian and military careers, simultaneously, as a member of the reserve military forces. Attendees will get to hear panel members' personal and professional experiences of military membership from the perspective of a black member of the armed forces reserve - challenged with responsibilities in local, state, and national defense matters.

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BHM TRIVIA NIGHT

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM @ PAC F

Come join Mu Eta Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. in a trivia night over Black history!

10 HS TO COLLEGE MIXER

10:30 AM - 1:00 PM @ DIVERSITY CENTER

Please join us at the Diversity Center as watch episodes from the short movie series, Eyes on the Prize, and have a meaningful conversation.

STUDIO B

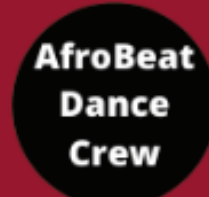
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM @ TRAC MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

Come learn some Salsa moves to Rebellion by Joe Arroy! Don't forget to bring your dance partner!

PINK GOES RED

5:08 PM - 9:00 PM @ TRAC CENTER COURT

Come join the Too Klassy ladies of Tau Chi for a fun and interactive night about heart disease awareness! Heart Disease affects the Black community more than any other group. Through this event, we will be running a bouncy house maze competition to see who can finish the fastest. Upon completion, participants will be directed towards our snack table where they will debrief and receive noteworthy information about heart disease and the importance of taking care of our bodies/ advocating for our health.



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11 UPSILON XI CHAPTER 10 YEAR CHARTER DAY BANQUET

5:00 PM - 10:00 PM @ STUDENT UNION BALLROOM

Join the Upsilon Xi Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. in a banquet celebration commemorating their 10 year anniversary!

ROLLER RAVE

9:00 PM - 11:45 PM @ STUDENT LIFE BUILDING GYMNASIUM

Come join the Student Activities Committee (SAC) at SLB to enjoy a roller skating experience without even leaving campus!

12 BLACK MALE COLLEGIATE SOCIETY INDUCTION NIGHT

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM @ STUDENT UNION BALLROOM

A night to celebrate the induction into the Black Male Collegiate Society.

13 DIVERSITEA: EXPRESSION THROUGH MUSIC

 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM @ DIVERSITY CENTER

Join GSSS and the Men of Color Initiative (MOCI) to discuss the expression of Black and Queer identities through music, the importance of representation in the arts, and view music videos from artists including Janelle Monáe and Lil Nas X!

14 EYES ON THE PRIZE

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15 MEMORIES OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT: SPRINGFIELD'S DOC HELM AND HIS PHOTO COLLECTION 1941 - 1992

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM @ BROOKENS AUDITORIUM

Eddie Winfred "Doc" Helm worked as the official state photographer of Illinois for over fifty years. He left behind a collection of over 45,000 photo negatives, documenting the political, social, and cultural life Springfield and Illinois. David Joens and Catheryne Popovitch of the Illinois State Archives will discuss Doc's legacy and the task of making his work accessible to a broader audience.

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ECCE SPEAKER SERIES: VIEWING STUDENT SUCCESS ON CAMPUS THROUGH A HISTORIAN'S LENS, LECTURE AND DISCUSSION

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM @ BROOKENS AUDITORIUM

Please join Dr. Jessica C. Harris, Vice Chancellor for Anti-racism, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and Associate Professor in the Department of History at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, as she discusses equity-centered student success as a critical focus of the present and future of higher education.

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BHM SHOWCASE

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM @ BROOKENS AUDITORIUM

Enjoy a night full of joy, laughter, and introspection, as we listen to the words, from a comedian and spoken word artists.

17 FEMINIST FRIDAY

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM @ WOMEN'S CENTER

Join us for a discussion on eating disorders. Learn what they are versus some of the myths you might have heard! We will also discuss how they impact women, especially student athletes!

STUDIO B

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM @ TRAC MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

Join us for a fun electric dance to Cardi B songs!

18 PHAM PHASION

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM @ STUDENT UNION CENTRAL BALLROOM

Please join the PHirst Family of UIS for a night of uplifting black culture, music, and fashion in our PHam Fashion Show. We will take this opportunity to promote Black owned businesses, as well as show off the PHirst Family of the Divine 9.

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BSU HIDDEN FIGURES

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM @ STUDENT UNION NORTH BALLROOM

Come join the Black Student Union in an educational seminar about hidden Black figures in our society.

21 BSU SCAVENGER HUNT

3:00 PM - 6:00 PM ALL OVER CAMPUS

Please join the Black Student Union to explore the different offices around campus while learning about important facts surrounding Black history.

UNTOLD AFRICAN AMERICAN STORIES

6:00 PM @ BROOKENS AUDITORIUM



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22 BSU FAMILY FEUD

8: 00 PM- 10: 00 PM @ STUDENT UNION CENTRAL BALLROOM


Please join the Black Student Union to in a competitive game of Family Feud!

23 BSU BLACK TABLE TALK

6: 30 PM- 8: 30 PM @ DIVERSITY CENTER

The Black Student Union comes together and discusses issues that are affecting the Black community.

SAFE ZONE: HISTORY

 2: 00 PM - 4: 00 PM @ PAC C/D

RSVP Required. Come join GSSS in learning about LGBTQ+ history

24 STUDIO B

4: 00 PM- 6: 00 PM @ TRAC MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

Let's continue celebrating BHM with choreography to the Black Panthre: Wakanda Forever soundtrack!

R & BSU

7: 00 PM - 9: 00 PM @ STUDENT UNION BAR & GRILL

Join the Black Student Union in guessing that R&B song or the next lyric!

25 EBONY BALL

7: 00 PM - 11: 00 PM @ STUDENT UNION BALLROOM

Come and celebrate the Black Student Union's 10th Annual Ebony Ball with this year's theme of a Masquerade! Formal attire is encouraged and food will be provided!

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26 BLACK OUT SUNDAY: CHURCH HOP EDITION

11: 00 AM @ PILGRIM MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

6: 00 PM @ STUDENT UNION BALLROOM

Join UIS's Voices in Praise in their Church Hop as they perform various gospel songs!

27 JOSEPHINE BAKER DOCUMENTARY SCREENING

 3: 00 PM - 5: 00 PM @ DIVERSITY CENTER

Join us for a screening of "Josephine Baker: The Story of an Awakening." Stick around for a discussion of her iconic life and achievements!

28 BHM CLOSING CEREMONY

12: 00 PM - 2: 00 PM @ DIVERSITY CENTER

BHM Closing is a way to capstone the month and reflect on various experiences and triumphs throughout the month. This event is also to learn the ways we can improve how we celebrate culture, identity, and lived experiences!

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