Schedule for MLK Week 2019:
"The Accessibility of MLK’s Dream:
The Forgotten Ones"

Saturday, January 19
Joint Events Council Presents: Spoken Word Poet Carlos Andres Gomez
9:00pm at SJU – Brother Willie’s Pub

Carlos Andres Gomez is a Colombian American poet and the author of the memoir “Man Up: Reimagining Modern Manhood,” released by Penguin Random House. A star of HBO’s “Def Poetry Jam,” TV One’s “Verses and Flow,” and Spike Lee’s #1 movie “Inside Man” with Denzel Washington, Carlos has performed at more than 500 colleges and universities. You may know him from his viral poems, “Where are you really from?” and “What Latino Looks Like,” which have garnered millions of views online. Carlos is the winner of the 2018 Atlanta Review International Poetry Prize, 2018 Sequestrum Editor’s Award in Poetry, 2015 Lucille Clifton Poetry Prize, and a two-time Pushcart Prize nominee.

Sunday, January 20
NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet
5:30pm – 9:00pm

The local chapter of the NAACP hosts its annual fundraiser to celebrate accomplishments, lay out their community development plan, and raise necessary funds to realize the next year’s goals. If you are interested in attending, please complete this form by 2:00pm on Wednesday, January 16. Seating is limited and students who have not attended previously will have priority.

Monday, January 21
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast and Day of Service
7:15am – 10:45am at River’s Edge Convention Center

If you are interested in attending and would like transportation to and from the venue, please sign up here. Space is limited! Information about pick-up times and locations will be shared with participants by Friday, January 18. Please keep in mind that the class schedule for Monday, January 21 will be shortened for the MLK Week Convocation taking place at 3:30pm.

More information about the breakfast can be found here.


Monday, January 21
MLK Week Convocation: Rev. Dr. Traci West presents: “Hate Harms: Remembering Why We Remember the Civil Rights Movement”
3:30pm at CSB – Benedicta Arts Center

"In our current historical moment, we sometimes feel overwhelmed by deepening political divisions and moral conflicts, especially the increased public expressions of hate and intolerance regarding race, religion, sexuality, and national identity. As we seek inspiration and hope from recalling the leadership of Martin Luther King, Jr. and other organizers of the civil rights movement we must remember why they stood up against hate and social injustice. We must remember how they refused to allow our nation to ignore the harmful consequences that injustice inflicts on the everyday lives of vulnerable people. From that legacy of faith and anti-racist boldness we can find relevant lessons for our own lives and commitments."

- Rev. Dr. West’s keynote address “Fear and Fearless Religious Leadership Needed Now”
- Link to Rev. Dr. West’s book Disruptive Christian Ethics (Amazon)
- Rev. Dr. West wins Walter Wink Scholar Activist Award and is featured in a Sojourners’ “A Field Guide to Christian Nonviolence”
**Tuesday, January 22**

CSB Campus Ministry presents “Syrian Refugee Reflection Journey”  
5:00pm – 8:00pm at CSB – Gorecki 204C

Attend this interactive experience to understand the Syrian refugee experience through another lens and how it relates to civil rights, human rights, and remembering the ‘forgotten ones.’

**Wednesday, January 23**

MLK Week Teach-In  
8:00am – 4:15pm at CSB – HCC Alumnae Hall and SJU – Quad 264

Faculty and staff members present on various topics related to the themes of the week, the convocation speaker’s topic, civil rights, and MLK. Please see the attached schedule of sessions.

**Wednesday, January 23**

“Outlier: The Story of Katherine Johnson” in collaboration with the Mathematics Department  
6:00pm – 7:15pm at SJU – Quad 264

“... [A] one hour documentary produced by MotionMasters, will focus solely on Katherine Johnson, an African-American mathematician who was born in 1918 in White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., graduated high school at age 14 and college at age 18, and went on to famously become a physicist, space scientist and mathematician for NASA.” She was one of the primary characters in the 2016 film Hidden Figures.
Thursday, January 24
McCarthy Center and CSB Sustainability present “Climate Justice for the Beloved Community”
5:00pm – 6:15pm at CSB – Gorecki 204B

This event will focus on the many intersections of social, racial, and environmental justice that Martin Luther King Jr. and others fought for and another pressing, salient topic: climate change. Many consider racial justice one of the most important movements of the latter half of the 20th century. This event will connect this still-evolving movement with what has become one of the most important movements of today: the climate justice movement.

Climate-friendly hors d’oeuvres will be served at the conclusion of the event. In addition, CSB/SJU clubs and organizations will be available to present information to attendees regarding climate change and climate justice through the lens of their club/organization.

Friday, January 25
RAD (Reflection Action Dialogue) present “RAD: Drowning Voices: Can You Hear Me?”
6:00pm at CSB – Gorecki 204

We pose the questions. You bring the insight, the action, and the hope. If you care about promoting transformative inclusion within our community, we urge you to join us to REHEARSE for LIFE.

Reflection Action Dialogue (RAD) is a student organization with a mission of shedding light and inspiring action. RAD has roots in global learning and branches that extend into campus and beyond. The RADsters present a story of exclusion and ask audience members to practice changing the outcome.

We will be joined by Lorena Roffé and Stephane Gué, who are CSBSJU Guatemala study abroad program faculty and professional activist theater practitioners. Together, they are the founding artivists of METOCA, which stands for "Multiplication and Exploration of the Theater of the Oppressed in Central America," and in Spanish means, "It's my turn [to act]" and "[reality] touches me." Watch for announcements from LLAS and RAD for more details on their weeklong campus residency.
**Saturday, January 26**

Joint Events Council Presents the film **Saturday Church**
8:00pm at CSB – HCC Alumnae Hall

SATURDAY CHURCH tells the story of 14-year-old Ulysses, a shy boy, who finds himself coping with new responsibilities as "man of the house" after the death of his father. Living alongside his mother, younger brother, and conservative aunt, Ulysses is also struggling with questions about his gender identity. He finds an escape by creating a world of fantasy filled with dance and music. Ulysses' journey takes a turn for the better when he encounters a vibrant transgender community, who take him to "Saturday Church," a program for LGBTQ youth. Ulysses manages to keep his two worlds apart; appeasing his aunt and discovering his passion for the NYC ball scene, and voguing, until his double life is revealed. Ulysses must find the courage to be who he truly is, all while risking losing those he cares about most.

*Movie will be captioned for the audience.*