

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

HONORING THE PAST, CELEBRATING THE FUTURE

FEBRUARY 2023

Events take place on Zoom unless specified otherwise.

FEBRUARY 1 | 1:30-3:00 PM

Black History Month-Kickoff Celebration

In celebration of Black History, this event will kick off the month with live music and soul food.

Location: Hound Square

Modality: Performance

Contact: Makeda Jordan | mjordan@jjay.cuny.edu

FEBRUARY 9 | 1:30-3:00 PM

Black Students Union - Art Paint n' Chat

Join BSU student organization for some fun arts & crafts painting and conversation.

Location: Student Dining Hall, East End

Contact: Sereena Morrison | bsu@jjay.cuny.edu

FEBRUARY 15 | 1:40-3:00 PM

Caribbean Jam Out Musical Band Performance

All are welcome to listen and jam out to a live music celebration in tribute to the contributions Caribbean Blacks have made to the culture and history of Black people. Renditions of Bob Marley and other reggae artists. This event will be live and open to staff, faculty and students.

Location: Black Box Theater

Contact: Makeda Jordan | mjordan@jjay.cuny.edu

FEBRUARY 16 | 1:40-3:00PM

A Conversation on Black Love

Location: Room L.61

Contact: Sereena Morrison | bsu@jjay.cuny.edu

FEBRUARY 21 | 1:30-3:00 PM

BSU's Rep Your Culture/Flag Day

Show your appreciation and pride of the culture that shapes who you are through music, traditions, music, clothing, and representing your country's flag!

Location: Student Dining Hall, East End

Contact: Makeda Jordan | mjordan@jjay.cuny.edu

FEBRUARY 21 | 1:30-2:30 PM

Celebrating Black History Month with a Leader Making History

President Karol V. Mason in Conversation with the Honorable Sheena Wright—New York City's First Deputy Mayor, the first black woman to serve in this senior role. She has decades of cross-sector experience in serving New Yorkers. Learn about her work to advance racial and economic justice, in New York City and how you can get involved as a fierce advocate for justice. Gain insight into leadership qualities for success.

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www.jjay.cuny.edu/FDMWright

FEBRUARY 22 | 1:30-3:00 PM

The Case for Reparations—House of Representatives and the United Nations Human Rights

This workshop event will discuss reparations for slavery with an emphasis on U.S. legislation. Come and learn about Reparations and the United Nations Human Rights standard for global Reparations. Join us for a healthy discussion, soul food, and light music.

Location: Moot Court

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FEBRUARY 22 & 23 | 1:40-2:40 PM

FLASH MOB

The Africana Studies Department has partnered to put on a Flash Mob celebration for Black History Month Celebrating our ancestors: we are the dreams of our ancestors. This event celebrates Black History Month, with emphasis on the power of the Black mind and body as the site for tracing the incredible Black struggle for social justice. The event begins with traditional West African drumming as dancers/movers stream from left to right, one by one, in a parade (see schematic below). They walk, dance, and simulate swimming and trekking. While doing this they repeat phrases such as Wade in the Water, thereby making the connection to Harriet Tubman, Frederick Douglass, Jr., and other 19th century civil rights activists. We are proud of what we have achieved and that inspires us to dream. Join us in celebrating black history and black culture.

Location: Atrium

Pizza will be served

FEBRUARY 24 | 10:00-11:00 AM

Malcolm/King Leadership Awards Virtual Celebration

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.

Location: Virtual (zoom) | <https://bit.ly/3RpwDXo>

Modality: Ceremony

Contact: [Rulisa Galloway-Perry](mailto:Rulisa.Galloway-Perry@jjay.cuny.edu) | rgallowa@jjay.cuny.edu

FEBRUARY 28 | 4:00-7:30 PM

Grace—Greatness, Remembrance, Advocacy, Community, and Excellence

This event will consist of a student solo artist, a student instrumental, a keynote speaker, and a DJ. Attendees are encouraged to wear semi-formal attire.

Location: Student Dining Hall

Contact: [Sereena Morrison](mailto:Sereena.Morrison@jjay.cuny.edu) | bsu@jjay.cuny.edu

FEBRUARY 28 | 1:40 PM

African American Military Heritage Celebration

A celebration of African American veterans who have served in the American military. Retired U.S. Army Lieutenant Colonel J. Bernard Siler will be the keynote speaker. Lunch will be served.

Location: Haaren Hall, Veteran's Center, Room 228

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THE CENTER FOR STUDENT INVOLVEMENT & LEADERSHIP IN COLLABORATION WITH:

Africana Studies, Alumni Affairs, Black Student Union, SASP, Urban Male Initiative

