

## Martin Luther King Jr. Day: A list of events in Utah

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**Orem:** Utah Valley University, The 15th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration: "Utah Civil Rights: Become One With the Dream."

Events are free and held in UVU's new library's Lecture Hall Li 120, unless noted otherwise. For information on parking and events, visit <http://www.uvu.edu/hass/mlk>

Thursday, Jan. 15

8:30 a.m. - "Nobody Knows," a film presented by Margaret Young, co-producer and adjunct professor of English, Brigham Young University and David Knowlton, associate professor of anthropology, UVU.

10 a.m. - "The Priesthood: A Long Wait: 20th Anniversary of LDS Black Males Receiving Priesthood," moderated by Brian Birch, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Margaret Young, co-producer of "Nobody Knows" and adjunct professor of English, Brigham Young University, Thomas Alexander, history professor emeritus, Brigham Young University, and Alan Cherry, director of Foundation Giving, UVU.

11:30 a.m. - **Keynote address:** "Holding Fast to the Dream" by the Rev. France Davis, civil rights activist and pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Salt Lake City, in the Ragan Theater.

1 p.m. - "The Wisdom of Our Years," a Utah documentary film; discussion by Davis and Ronald Coleman, history professor, University of Utah.

2:30 p.m. - "History of Utah Jazz" a performance

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and discussion by Joe McQueen, jazz saxophonist, and a trio of UVU musicians.

7 p.m. - "Finding Voice," a Utah domestic-violence ethnodrama performance directed by Nancy Cannon, TRIO Student Support Services, at the Sorensen Student Centre Stage

Friday, Jan. 16

9 a.m. - "Who Will Take Responsibility? Over-representation of Minorities in Special Education": student civil rights papers presented by UVU student Jesse Tucker, and "Inalienable Rights and the Rhetoric of Immigration," presented by UVU student Christopher Green.

10 a.m. - "King's Civil Rights Legacy in 2009: War and Peace, Gay and Straight," by Jeff Key, writer, actor and activist.

11a.m. - **Keynote address:** "Turning American Law Into Samaritan Justice" by David Dominguez, law professor, BYU.

1 p.m. - "NAACP: 100 Years of Triumphs and Tribulations" by Jeanetta Williams, president of Salt Lake Branch of the NAACP

2 p.m. - "Oppression and Civil Rights of the Deaf Minority Panel" with topics: "UVU: Deaf People: A Linguistic and Cultural Minority" by Flavia Fleischer, intern coordinator and assistant professor of Deaf Studies; "UVU: Hearing Privilege" by Will Garrow, assistant professor of Deaf Studies; and "UVU: Deafness and the Law" by Dale Boam, assistant professor of Deaf Studies.

3 p.m. - Black Magic: a Black Poets Jam Session with Alex Caldiero and Ken Critchfield.

Monday, Jan. 19

8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. - Martin Luther King Day of Service at the BYU Wilkinson Center in conjunction with UVU Service Learning and BYU.

Jan. 12-Feb. 1 - Civil Rights Art Exhibit with UVU Art Students on the Library First Floor.

**Salt Lake City:** Westminster College, 1840 S. 1300 East. All events are free. For information, visit <http://www.westminstercollege.edu>

Monday, Jan. 19

3:45 p.m. - A march from Westminster's main circle to the University of Utah's College of Social Work auditorium.

Thursday, Jan. 22

7:30 p.m. - The Bastian Foundation Diversity Lecture Series presents a panel discussion on the role of race and class in the criminal justice system, with panelists Jensie Anderson, Cathleen Power and Calvin Johnson.

Friday, Jan. 23

11 a.m. - A follow-up brunch discussion on the Innocence Project, Foster Faculty Lounge.

**Salt Lake City:** Saturday, Jan. 17 - Fraternal Order of Eagles, 1104 W. 2100 South; A rib or baked chicken dinner and dance celebrating Martin Luther King, Jr. and the upcoming presidential inauguration, 7 p.m.-midnight. Cost is \$25 individual plate or \$45 for a couple and the dance is \$15 with D.J. Sam Smith. For information, call Johnny at 801-637-1834 or Michael at 801-548-7172.

**Murray:** Monday, Jan. 19 - 17th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration: Free concert, featuring the Murray High School A Capella Choir under the direction of Brian Hesleph (Calvary Baptist Church) and speakers at 7 p.m. at Murray High School, 5440 S. State St. For information, call Wayne Oberg at 801-264-2617.

**Ogden:** "He Began With a Dream" is the theme of Weber State University's MLK celebration.

Friday, Jan. 16 - Make a Joyful Noise, WSU Annual Gospel Music Festival, 7:30 p.m., WSU Browning Center, Austad Auditorium. Free. For information, visit <http://www.weber.edu>

**Ogden:** Monday, Jan. 19 - Annual Community Prayer Breakfast and March, 8 a.m., Marshall White Community Center, 222 28th St. A suggested donation is \$5. The march will begin after breakfast to the Ogden Amhitheater. For information, call Freddie Cooper at 801-773-2426 or 801-394-0924.

**Salt Lake City:** Monday, Jan. 19 - The University of Utah celebrates 25 years with the theme, "Rights, Resistance and Resilience." Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Rally & Candlelight March: The U. and Westminster College invite the community for a celebration at 4:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the College of Social Work, 395 S. 1500 East. A candlelight march will follow from the Social Work building to Kingsbury Hall. For information, visit <http://diversity.utah.edu>

**Salt Lake City:** Monday, Jan. 19 - The 25th annual Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Luncheon is at noon, preceded by an 11:30 a.m. reception in the ballroom at the Little America Hotel, 500 S. Main St. The main speaker is Victor N. Gibb, senior vice president and general counsel, Deseret Mutual benefit administrators, and employment law faculty member, University of Phoenix. Special recognition will be paid to Ralph Becker, Greg J. Curtis and John Valentine for supporting Utah's constitutional amendment to change the start of the Legislature's general session to avoid beginning on the holiday. Individual tickets are \$80, for those 18 and younger the admission is \$25, and tables are \$800. For information and reservations, call the NAACP at 801-250-5088, e-mail [jdwnaacp@att.net](mailto:jdwnaacp@att.net), or visit <http://naacp-saltlakebranch.org>

**Hill Air Force Base:**

Thursday, Jan. 15 - A Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Service is at 2 p.m. at the Hill Air Force Base Chapel. Keynote speaker is Freddie B. Phillips Cooper who will address this year's theme, "Realizing the Dream." Cooper is the Utah Martin Luther King Human Rights commissioner, treasurer of the Ogden branch of the NAACP, and Coalition of Minorities Advisory Committee member. For information, call 801-777-2284.