



# Monterey Bay Black Folks Event Calendar

**Pt 2 - February 24'  
Black History Month Edition**



## **About the Monterey Bay Black Folks Event Calendar**

The purpose of the Monterey Bay Black Folks Event Calendar is to connect the Black Community of CSU Monterey Bay with the local Black Communities of the Greater Monterey Bay Area. The idea for the calendar came out of the community forums organized as part of CSUMB's annual super Saturday Black student recruitment events. The Calendar, (originally edited by Steven Goings) is now produced by the Cal State Monterey Bay's Helen Rucker Center for Black Excellence and edited by HRE Administrative Support Coordinator Da'ja Robinson with new editions usually being released monthly; sometimes weekly depending on news and capacity.

Don't forget there is also a Facebook group: [Monterey Bay Black Folks Calendar](#) where you can post anything related to Black Folks directly.

1) To submit an event to the BFC for possible publication, click on this link: [BFC Event Submission Form](#)

2) To submit a "My Take" article, send a word document (NOT pdf!) along with your name and email address to [\*\*helenruckercenterforblackexcellence@csumb.edu\*\*](mailto:helenruckercenterforblackexcellence@csumb.edu)

3) To submit a "In the Spotlight" biography/activities and photo of a community leader, send a word document and digital picture to [\*\*helenruckercenterforblackexcellence@csumb.edu\*\*](mailto:helenruckercenterforblackexcellence@csumb.edu)

4) To subscribe to the Black Folks Calendar, [Click Here](#)

### **Editor's Note:**

Throughout this newsletter, [Blue Underlined](#) copy (including above!) indicates a searchable link.

# In the Spotlight - CSUMB Welcomes Dr. Jeremias Zunguze



**"Knowledge is a garden. If it isn't cultivated, you can't harvest it."**

-African Proverb

Dr. Jeremias Zunguze was born in Mozambique, South Eastern Africa. In 2014, earned my Ph.D. in Hispanic Languages and Literatures from UC Berkeley. In 2015 he received his first position as an Assistant Professor of Africana and Lusophone Studies at the University of North Carolina Asheville (UNCA). In 2015 got my first position as an Assistant Professor of *Africana and Lusophone Studies* at the University of North Carolina Asheville (UNCA). In 2021, he received his tenure and promotion as Associate Professor of Africana Studies.

Zunguze has taught courses in *A Survey of Africa and the African diaspora*, *Introduction to African American Studies*, *Afro-Latin American Studies*, *Portuguese and Spanish*. He has co-founded Sankofa Living and Learning Community. Sankofa means "Go back and get it" in Twi, the language of the Ashanti of Ghana, West Africa. The mission and vision around Sankofa LLC was to bring Black students to live together, take classes together, have field trips together, etc., as a way of creating a stronger sense of identity and belonging on campus. Jeremias also co-founded Umoja (or unity in Kiswahili), whose mission was to build brotherhood and community amongst young men of color.

Dr. Zunguze founded *Languages and Cultures in Action*, a student performing art events whose mission was to showcase different languages, arts, cultures, and cuisines represented on campus. Additionally he has advised BSA (Black Student Association). CSUMB welcomed Dr. Jeremias Zunguze to its campus last fall of 2023 as Associate Professor of Ethnic Studies.

- **The greatest lesson I've ever learned from my elders:**  
Walk forward, once in a while, looking back.
- **The one thing I would love to pass on to the next generation:**  
Discover your mission and vision and fulfill them.


## Campus and Community Event Highlight

Sponsored by the OC3, AS, SELD, OIES, Helen Rucker Center for Black Excellence, and the OSU

*Celebrate Black Excellence at the 2024*

# ALL BLACK GALA

*with Keynote Speaker*  
**George "Conscious" Lee**



Join us for an evening of connection, empowerment, and help support the Helen Rucker Center for Black Excellence!

**Sunday, February 25th**  
**4- 6 PM · OSU Ballroom**

*Learn more and register at*  
**[csumb.edu/oc3/allblackgala](https://csumb.edu/oc3/allblackgala)**

For accommodations and more info, please contact [rudmedina@csumb.edu](mailto:rudmedina@csumb.edu)

EVENT REGISTRATION: [csumb.edu/oc3/all-black-gala/](https://csumb.edu/oc3/all-black-gala/)

Please do not forget to register for the 2024 All Black Gala taking place next Sunday, February 25th. Seats are filling quickly and we would love to enjoy this annual event with all who are interested.

# CSUMB Celebrates Black History Month 2024

FEBRUARY 2024



HELEN RUCKER CENTER FOR  
BLACK EXCELLENCE  
AND CSUMB BOOKSTORE



## CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Available for  
purchase in the  
Bookstore NOW!

**CSUMB BLACK  
EXCELLENCE  
T-SHIRT (\$22)**



This inspirational tshirt personifies the goal to show Cal State Monterey Bay's public support of Black History on campus. This wonderful keepsake is a CSUMB history making collector's item. Buy 2, 1 to wear and 1 to store. (sizes XS-3X)

The Dean Vanessa Lopez-Littleton Black Excellence Challis is a Starbucks inspired tumbler. This 24oz Venti cup is not only functional but also incredibly fashionable, with a stunning iridescent finish that catches the light in the most mesmerizing way. The beautiful design adds a whimsical touch, the perfect reminder to infuse BLACK EXCELLENCE into your day.



**DEAN VANESSA  
BLACK EXCELLENCE  
CHALLIS (\$24)**

CSUMB is passionate about uniting and supporting all Affinity Groups on its campus. For this reason, representatives from CSUMB's Office of Inclusive Excellence and Follette Higher Education (campus bookstore retail contractor), sanctioned by the University Corporation, have come together to present a selection of Affinity Group specific books for sale in the bookstore. This space will be named the CSUMB MULTICULTURAL CENTER BOOK SELECTION WALL. The books that will be selected to be sold in this space will be titles that are selected by CSUMB members of specific Affinity Groups that are represented on campus.

In addition, we are very happy to have visibility and representation for the month of February, known as Black History Month with our customized Black Excellence 365 T-Shirt and iridescent Tumbler. Both are on sale inside of

# Opportunities and Resources



California State University  
**MONTEREY BAY**  
Personal Growth & Counseling Center

## Need support?

Talk with a PGCC counselor at one of our campus partner locations. Get support with academic or personal stress, learn about campus resources, create a wellness plan or use the space as you need.

Learn more



College Support Programs

**HELEN  
RUCKER**

Center for  
Black Excellence

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***Stuck with writers block?***

*We are here to help  
No Appointment - No Problem*



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Join HRC and CLC Staff

**Writing Workshop**

**Every Monday** 12:00 pm - 12:50 pm

Building 12 **The Student Center** Room 120

**Dive into your imagination**



**ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!!!!**  
**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Kappa  
Gamma Omega Chapter Scholarship**



Applications Due: April 15th, 2024 11:59 pm  
Please contact Sarah Holder at  
srhold@aol.com for any questions.



## Preschool Teachers

**NEW PAY | Starting at \$50,000  
Up to \$70,000 \***

**BONUS | \$5,000 Retention Stipend**

- Health care benefits
- Retirement plan
- Holiday pay and sick pay

Marina Child Development Center | [the.mpusd.net/mcdc](http://the.mpusd.net/mcdc)  
 Monterey Child Development Center | [the.mpusd.net/mocdc](http://the.mpusd.net/mocdc)  
 Seaside Child Development Center | [the.mpusd.net/scdc](http://the.mpusd.net/scdc)

Apply or learn more information by visiting the webpage links noted above.  
 \*Salary placement dependent on qualifications and experience.

### Monterey Peninsula Unified School District Alder GSE



## EARN YOUR MASTERS DEGREE & TEACHING CREDENTIAL IN ONE YEAR

### Cost & Benefits

#### Cost for Class of 2025

Around \$21,930 tuition

#### Benefits:

- \$45,000 living stipend
- \$10,000 tuition reimbursement for math, science, Spanish, and Special Education candidates
- Up to \$10,000 in scholarships
- Up to \$40,000 in federal financial aid and loans
- Master's Degree and Teaching Credential
- Priority hiring for a full-time position at MPUSD

### ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's degree completed by the end of June 2024
- A grade point average of 3.0 or higher preferred
- Eligible to work in the United States

### HOW TO APPLY

**Information:**  
[mpusd.net/apps/pages/alder](http://mpusd.net/apps/pages/alder)

**Application:**  
[aldergse.edu/apply/](http://aldergse.edu/apply/)

**Contact:**  
 Brenna Jones | [BJones@aldergse.edu](mailto:BJones@aldergse.edu)

### IMPORTANT DATES

#### Application Deadline:

February 24, 2024

March 22, 2024



**Interview date: TBD**



# Upcoming Events



## BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM

FEBRUARY 18, 2024  
3:00-6:00PM

SPONSORED BY: SEASIDE ART & HISTORY COMMISSION  
MONTEREY BAY LINKS, INC.  
ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC.  
DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.  
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MONTEREY COUNTY BLACK CAUCUS  
MONTEREY COUNTY BRANCH 1049, NAACP

### OLDEMEYER CENTER LAGUNA GRANDE ROOM

OLDEMEYER CENTER  
986 HILBY AVE, SEASIDE, CA  
WWW.CI.SEASIDE.CA.US | 831-899-6800 |   SEASIDE RECREATION





# Christian Memorial Tabernacle Church of God in Christ Inc.

Dr. Samuel E. Gaskins Sr., Pastor

"Lord Fix Our Heart; Renew, Revive and Restore"  
Psalms 51:10-12



Evangelist Bena Johnson  
Bethany COGIC, Gilroy, CA.  
Guest Speaker  
Sunday, February 18th @ 2:00 PM



Elder Areaseal Sims  
1st Asst. CMT-COGIC  
Seaker:  
Thursday, Feb. 22 @ 6:00 PM



Rev. Victor Phillips, Pastor  
1st Baptist Church, Pacific Grove, CA.  
Class Facilitator: 2/22/2024  
Guest Speaker:  
Friday, February 23 @ 6:00 PM

B L A C K H I S T O R Y  
M O N T H

## Community REVIVAL

SUN. FEB. 18TH @ 2:00 PM  
FEB. 22 & FEB. 23 @ 6:00 PM.

141 14TH Street  
Pacific Grove, CA. 92950

HOSTED BY: CMT Evangelist Dept.  
Evangelist Marsha Peoples, President

CMTYesLordii@Aol.Com



AFRICAN HERITAGE FACULTY STAFF ALLIANCE

Join us for a  
**SUPER  
SUNDAY**  
Appearance

SUNDAY  
FEBRUARY 25TH, 2024  
10:00 am

FRIENDSHIP MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH // 1440 BROADWAY AVE, SEASIDE, CA 93955



Tickets available at [johnnywicks.com](http://johnnywicks.com)

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2ND ANNUAL

# MONTEREY COUNTY BLACK HISTORY MONTH FILM FESTIVAL

JANUARY 31ST  
FEBRUARY 7TH  
FEBRUARY 14TH  
FEBRUARY 21ST  
FEBRUARY 28TH

LOCATION:  
MIDDLEBURY INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES  
IRVINE AUDITORIUM  
499 PIERCE STREET, MONTEREY



CONTACT INFO:  
[WWW.BLAAC.ORG/EVENTS](http://WWW.BLAAC.ORG/EVENTS)  
[INFO@BLAAC.ORG](mailto:INFO@BLAAC.ORG)  
(831) 337-8995



Beginning on January 31st, Black Leaders and Allies Collaborative in partnership with the Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey are proud to present our 2nd Annual Free Film Festival celebrating Black History Month held every Wednesday in February at 6:30 PM in the Irvine Auditorium (499 Pierce Street, Monterey).

These events are free for all attendees, and we encourage you to come out and support as we highlight the rich tapestry of the Black experience in the United States and foster community dialogue through Q&A. - BLAAC Monterey

# 2024 Black History Month Film Festival



Middlebury Institute of  
International Studies at Monterey

## Event Details:

**When:** January 31st,  
February. 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

**Time:** Movie begin at 6:30pm

**Where:** Irvine Auditorium  
499 Pierce Street, Monterey

**Entry:** Donations / Free Parking

The festival will showcase films highlighting the rich tapestry of the Black experience in the United States, followed by interactive Q&A sessions.



**January 31**  
**"Bamako"**

**February 7th**  
**"Daddy Hunger"**

**February 14th**  
**"Boss: The Black Experience in Business"**

**February 21st**  
**"Black Boys"**

**February 28th**  
**Making Black America**  
**(Henry Louis Gates)**

[To get your tickets, click here.](#)

Black Leaders and Allies Collaborative (BLAAC), in partnership with the Middlebury Institute of International Studies are proud to present the 2nd annual Monterey County Black History Month film festival.

**Special features February 7th & 21st**

**Award winning "film-makers, Ray Upchurch & Chad Williamson**

For more information visit [www.blaac/event.org](http://www.blaac/event.org)



**Speaker:**  
**Shekinah Fashaw-Walters, PhD, MSPH**  
Assistant Professor, Health Policy & Management, University of Minnesota

California State University  
**MONTEREY BAY**  
College of Health Sciences  
and Human Services

**HELEN RUCKER**  
Center for Black Excellence

**Diversity Celebration Series:  
Black History Month**

The Fierce Urgency of Now: Moving from Colorblind to Color Conscious Health Care Systems

**Date and Time**  
Thursday, Feb. 22  
4:45 p.m. - Reception  
5:30 p.m. - Event Start

**Location**  
Otter Student Union Ballroom  
3118 Inter-Garrison Rd,  
Seaside, CA 93955

**RSVP** [bit.ly/DiversitySeries2024](https://bit.ly/DiversitySeries2024)

 **Salinas Valley**  
HEALTH





OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS AND CSUMB COMMUNITY MEMBERS

SPONSORED BY COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

# USE YOUR VOICE!



**UNIVERSITY CENTER**  
**FEBRUARY 27 4-6PM**



## LEARN ABOUT:

- Civic Engagement
- Making your vote count
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), League of Women Voters, National Coalition Building Institute (NCBI)



## PANELISTS INCLUDE

- **Kathy Biala**, Marina City Council, Coalition for Asian Justice
- **Steven Goings (Quazar)**, Counselor at Personal Growth and Counseling, NCBI Coordinator
- **Chris Lopez**, District 3 Supervisor
- **Lyndon Tarver**, President of the NAACP Monterey County

Register Here



**Pizza and refreshments will be provided**

Email [svicuna@csumb.edu](mailto:svicuna@csumb.edu) with questions or accommodations

# Make a difference with your donation!

Join the Campus Health Center, Associated Students, the Helen Rucker Center for Black Excellence, and Vitalant as we help our community.

**Feb. 29**  
**10 AM - 3 PM**  
**Building 12 Student Center (West Lounge)**



California State University  
**MONTEREY BAY**  
Health Promotion and Education



**AS**  
Associated Students

**vitalant.**  
Blood Donation



Get ready for an unforgettable season three kickoff with New Canon Theatre Co. Sunset Presents at Studio 105, New Canon Theatre Co's production of: "Lady Day at Emerson's Bar and Grill" by Lanie Robertson. This incredible piece will be directed by Lisa Gaye Dixon and featuring local icon, Malinda DeRouen as Billie Holiday!

Mark your calendars for this electrifying show at Sunset Center's Studio 105

playing June 13-23. Tickets drop this Spring, but for now, feast your eyes on the stunning poster art by Saul Villegas of Moderno!

More information about cast and creatives behind this production to come!

MONTEREY COUNTY BLACK CAUCUS PRESENTS

THE 5TH ANNUAL

FREE-ISH SINCE 1865

SATURDAY  
JUNE 15TH 2024 1PM

JUNETEENTH  
MONTEREY COUNTY

Bring your lawn chairs and come out to support the 5th year of our Juneteenth Jubilee with local Black Businesses, Food Vendors, Black History, Speakers, Music, Endless Entertainment, Kids Zone and the 2024 Crowning Ceremony.

LAGUNA GRANDE PARK  
1249 CANYON DEL REY BLVD.  
LAKESIDE 1 & 2,  
SEASIDE, CA 93955

@JUNETEENTH831 @MONTEREYCOUNTYBLACKCAUCUS  
CONTACT: JUNETEENTH.MONTEREYCOUNTY@GMAIL.COM



JOIN THE MONTEREY COUNTY BLACK CAUCUS

# BUILD WITH US

MONTHLY MEETINGS EVERY 2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH STARTING:  
AT 6:00PM ON ZOOM

✘ BECOME A  
✘ MCBC MEMBER

JOIN NOW



@MontereyCountyBlackCaucus - IG  
Monterey County Black Caucus - FB  
MCBlackCaucus@ActionCouncil.org - Email

DEJA BLUE PRESENTS

*Deja Blue*  
BLUES, JAZZ & COMEDY CLUB

7PM - 10PM

DEJABLUELIVE.COM - 831-324-0044

FREE PARKING - FREE ENTRY

*Thursday*  
**KARAOKE**

**ALEJANDRO PRUDENCIO**

500 BROADWAY AVE. SEASIDE, CA 93955

## Weekly Black Space Mondays

From 12 Noon - 1 PM,  
Facilitated by Stacie Andrews

For this online discussion  
group about all things Black,  
go this Zoom Link:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/646  
4225667](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6464225667)



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## Follow Black Folks on Social Media

(Click on links to follow to sites)

### Facebook:

***Monterey Bay Black Folks Calendar*** (Public Group, 396 members)

- About: The purpose of the Monterey Bay Black Folks Event Calendar is to connect the Black Community of CSU Monterey Bay with the local Black Communities of the Greater Monterey Bay Area.
- Site Administrator: Steven Goings

***NAACP Monterey County Branch 1049*** (Facebook page under reconstruction)

- About: The vision of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is to ensure a society in which all individuals have equal rights without discrimination based on race.

***National Association for the Advancement of Colored People***

- About: Founded in 1909 in response to the ongoing violence against Black people around the country, the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) is the largest and most pre-eminent civil rights organization in the nation. We have over 2,200 units and branches across the nation, along with well over 2M activists. Our mission is to secure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of rights in order to eliminate race-based discrimination and ensure the health and well-being of all persons.

***Black Lives Matter***

- About: #BlackLivesMatter is an online forum intended to build connections between Black people and our allies to fight anti-Black racism, to spark dialogue amongst Black people, and to facilitate the types of connections necessary to encourage social action and engagement.

***African American Policy Forum***

- About: Founded in 1996, The African American Policy Forum (AAPF) is an innovative think tank that connects academics, activists and policy-makers to promote efforts to dismantle structural inequality. We utilize new ideas and innovative perspectives to transform public discourse and policy. We promote frameworks and strategies that address a vision of

racial justice that embraces the intersections of race, gender, class, and the array of barriers that disempower those who are marginalized in society. AAPF is dedicated to advancing and expanding racial justice, gender equality, and the indivisibility of all human rights, both in the U.S. and internationally.

***Monterey County Black Caucus*** (Public Group, 412 members)

- About: Our mission for the Monterey County Black Caucus (MCBC) is to heal and empower the Black Community by cultivating leadership, by providing a safe space for Black residents to unwrap and reflect, by advocating for equity and inspiring Black culture through arts and community development
- Site Administrators: Tinisha Dunn, Robert Daniels, Rosalyn Green

***Marina BIPOC & Allies*** (Private Group, 63 members)

- About: A group for BIPOC & allies in Marina, CA to support the BIPOC community. We support #blacklivesmatter & will center black voices on needed local changes.

***Bethel Missionary Baptist Church***

- Rev. Harold Hollingsworth Lusk Sr. Pastor
- The Church today REACHING TO PEOPLE WHERE THEY ARE!!

***Christian Memorial Tabernacle Church of God in Christ***

- Christian Memorial Tabernacle Church of God in Christ is under the Pastoral Leadership of Dr. Samuel E. Gaskins Sr.

***Emmanuel Church of God in Christ***

- About: Stay updated about the great things God is doing at Emmanuel COGIC here in Seaside, CA. Our Pastor is Dr. E.B. Jones and our Founder is Dr. Welton McGee!
- YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCA7zzqlu2bDCfrTmxlcHUiA>

***Friendship Baptist Church Seaside***

- About: Friendship is one of the first Baptist Churches on the Monterey Peninsula. Many other Baptist Church's have branched off this congregation.

***Greater Victory Temple Church of God in Christ***

- About: Dr. Ronald Britt, Senior Pastor
- Lost souls are our priority! Each one, win one!

***Hays Christian Methodist Episcopal Church***

- Rev. Marvin Washington, Senior Pastor. **(NEW PASTOR!)**

***Holy Assembly Missionary Baptist Church***

- Founded in 1974 by Reverend Slade, HAMBC is a moving church being led by God in Marina, CA.

***Lighthouse Full Gospel Church***

- Through this Seaside branch, many lives have been influenced and souls saved. Great men and women have been equipped and sent out into the harvest field to promote the gospel and to help advance the kingdom of God.

***Mt. Nebo Baptist Church Salinas***

- In 1965, a group of devout Christians, finding a need for a Baptist Church in the area, assembled in the home of Sister Richardson at 1112 Del Monte Street, Salinas, California.

### ***New Hope Baptist Church Seaside***

- New Hope Missionary Baptist Church was organized February 12, 1959, in Seaside California at the home of Reverend James W. and Sister Bertha L. Paige.

### ***New Hope Baptist Church Salinas***

- About: "A Church Dedicated To Servant-hood and Discipleship"

### ***Ocean View Baptist Church***

- Rev. Kenneth Murray

### ***Recognizing Military Service Center***

- Formerly "Retired Men's Social Club"
- About: We are a Social Club. Our goal is to add to the betterment of this community and the people of the community, by providing Scholarships to Graduating High School Seniors, Service Learning Programs and affordable Entertainment to our members and Community

### ***LINKS, Inc. Monterey Bay Chapter***

- Established in 1974, the Monterey Bay Chapter of the Links Inc, are friends that transform the community in which we serve. Through cultural, educational, & civic participation, our chapter faithfully strives to be strong, smart & bold in positive change.

### ***Deja Blue, Seaside***

- Live Jazz, Blues and Comedy in Downtown Seaside

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## **Useful Links:**

**New! County Employment Opportunities:** Monterey County Supervisor Elect Wendy Askew encourages community members to "*register for job announcements from the County - and to apply for anything that seems interesting so that your resume gets into the system.*"

### **Black Business Directory**

- Here is something the Monterey County Branch NAACP is working on. You can **send your entries directly to [lbogene@yahoo.com](mailto:lbogene@yahoo.com)**

### **Black Community Leader/Activist Archive**

- Check out the list and add your bio and photo to it.

### **Black Court Support Volunteer Sign-Ups**

- We all know the so-called criminal justice system treats our folks much more harshly than others, sometimes just having community members show up at court can make a difference in how things turn out.

### **Black Web Sites**

- Check it out or add your favorite to the list

### **Black Speakers Bureau for Classroom Presentations**

- With so few African Americans working in our K-12 and higher education systems, our kids have too few opportunities to see professionals and role models who look like them. We are looking for Black community members and professionals who can be called on to be occasional guest speakers in local classrooms.

**[Updated! CSUMB Black Staff & Faculty](#)**

- Just the basic public contact and position info

**[Monterey Bay Historically Black Churches](#)**

- Check out the current list of churches, update existing entries or add new ones.

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**[helenruckercenterforblackexcellence@csumb.edu](mailto:helenruckercenterforblackexcellence@csumb.edu)**

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