



Monterey Bay Black Folks Event Calendar

Juneteenth 2022 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 is edited by Steven Goings with new editions being released every Monday. 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 sgoings@csumb.edu
- 3) To submit a "In the Spotlight" biography and picture of a community leader, send to a word document and digital picture to sgoings@csumb.edu

Editor's Note:

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JUNETEENTH 2022

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HAPPY FATHERS DAY



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June is LGBTQ Pride Month!



Steven's Take On:

The Slow Development of 3 June Celebrations; Juneteenth, Father's Day and LGBTQ+ Pride Month



Of the three June celebrations, Juneteenth is the oldest. Texas slaves first learned of their emancipation on June 19th, 1865; the first Juneteenth was celebrated in that state the following year.

Although celebrated in various parts of the country for generations, it first gained nationwide attention following the murder of George Floyd on May 25, 2020 by Minneapolis Police Officers. The following year, President Joe Biden signed the law making Juneteenth a national holiday 155 years after its first celebration.

Father's Day was first celebrated in the State of Washington on June 19th, 1910. Washingtonians likely had little knowledge of the date's association with emancipation as Juneteenth was not celebrated in Washington until 1980. Father's Day was made a Federal Holiday by President Richard Nixon in 1972.

There are no Federally recognized holidays celebrating any aspect of

LGBTQ+ history but like the origins of Juneteenth and Father's Day there is a (not-quite-as) long history of unofficial and commercial celebrations. LGBTQ+ Pride month celebrates the Stonewall Uprising of June 28, 1969 when patrons of the Stonewall Inn - a gay club in Greenwich Village, New York City - had had enough of years of police harassment and their spur-of-the-moment rebellion became a foundational event of the Gay Rights Movement. In 2016, President Barak Obama declared the Stonewall Inn a national monument. The local organization [Monterey Peninsula Pride](#) will be celebrating our Pride event on July 23, 2022 starting at 11am at the Custom House Plaza in Monterey.

There are no less than 4 local Juneteenth Celebrations that I am aware of:

Terrell Maddox and Sean Carr's organization, the [Juneteenth Coalition](#), kick things off with a string of events starting on Friday June 17th. Check out the Juneteenth Coalition website for more information about the organization and their Juneteenth [events](#).

Asya Guillory, January Brown and the rest of the Salinas Juneteenth team is celebrating its second annual Juneteenth at 1pm on Sat June 18 in partnership with Hartnell College and have their own website describing their celebration at <https://salinasjuneteenth.wordpress.com/>

Seaside has at least two back-to-back celebrations on the same day. Rosalyn Green, Tinisha Dunn and the folks at the Monterey County Black Caucus are celebrating their third annual Juneteenth at Laguna Grande Park in Seaside in front of City Hall starting at 1 pm on Sat June 18th.

Meanwhile, Greg Daniels, Yvonne Kirkland and the members of the venerable RMSC (Recognizing Military Service Center) is hosting soul food dinner, dancing and music starting at 6pm on Sat June 18th at this historic club located at 2087 Del Monte Blvd., Seaside.

Prior to these events, the entire California State University system is kicking off its [Inaugural Juneteenth Symposium](#). You can [register for the livestream](#).

Congratulations and good luck to all the organizers and Happy Juneteenth, Father's Day and Pride Month to all!

INAUGURAL JUNETEENTH SYMPOSIUM

June 15 - 16, 2022

REGISTER FOR THE LIVE STREAM

AGENDA

[Live Stream Registration Link](#)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15

8:30 – 10:30 a.m. OPENING SESSION

Keynote Speaker

The Fierce Urgency of Now: Remembering the Past, Charting our Future

[Dr. Cornel West](#), Author and Professor Emeritus, Princeton University

Q & A with Cornel West

Moderated by Dr. Thomas Parham and Isaac Alferos

10:30 – 11:30 a.m. PANEL DISCUSSION

Keynote Speaker

Educating African American Students: Issues and Challenges for the California State University, University of California, and California Community Colleges

[Dr. Tyrone Howard](#), Professor of Education in the School of Education & Information Studies at UCLA

Panel Discussion

12:40 – 1:45 p.m. LUNCH

Special Guest Performer

Grammy Award-nominated American R&B, hip-hop, neo-soul singer, and actress

3:00 – 5:00 p.m. AFTERNOON KEYNOTE

Keynote Speaker

“Racelighting”

[Dr. J Luke Wood](#), Vice President for Student Affairs & Campus Diversity

and Distinguished Professor of Education at San Diego State University

Q & A with Dr. J Luke Wood

Moderated by *Dr. Robert Keith Collins*, San Francisco State

THURSDAY, JUNE 16

8:30 – 10:15 a.m. OPENING SESSION

Keynote Speaker

“Racism in the Academy: Creating Systemic Change from the Inside Out”

[Dr. Shaun Harper](#), Professor at the University of Southern California

Q & A with Dr. Shaun Harper

Moderated by Maryana Khames

12:30 – 1:15 p.m. LUNCHEON

Interpretive Dance

Dance Performers

2:30 – 3:45 p.m. AFTERNOON KEYNOTE

Keynote Presenter

“Voting Rights and the Assault on Our Democracy”

[Michele Goodwin](#), UCI School of Law

Q & A with Michele Goodwin and D'Aungillique Jackson

Moderated by *Dr. Amber Johnson*, Cal State Long Beach

4:00 – 5:00 p.m. “WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?”

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Dr. Thomas Parham, CSU Dominguez Hills

Dr. Shirley Weber, California Secretary of State

[Dr. Soraya Coley](#), President, Cal Poly Pomona

[Dr. Jolene Koester](#), Interim Chancellor, California State University



WELCOME TO THE
Juneteenth Coalition

UNDERSTAND · EMPATHIZE
UPLIFT · EMPOWER

June 17, 2022
Premier (Arts + Culture)

Our first event consists of a trio of arts and culture: A showing of African Diaspora art with the artist, Diaam. A metaphorical ballet on the perils of evolving culture. A discussion with civil rights leader and activist, Anne Healey. [Tickets: \\$25](#)

6 pm-9 pm
Monterey, CA

June 18, 2022

The Harriet Tubman Memorial Hike

A 2.4 mile hike centered on Harriet Tubman's lasting legacy. Gain a deeper understanding of who she was through a chronological narrative of her life. [Tickets: \\$20](#)

9 am-1 pm
Big Sur, CA

June 19, 2022

Black Drives Matter - Tournament and Academy

All-inclusive community golf event at The Hay Golf Course in Pebble Beach. Advanced registration required.

[Tickets: \\$110/2 player team; \\$55/individual](#)

10 am-1 pm
Pebble Beach, CA



CALL FOR
VENDORS

MCBC INVITES YOU TO BE A PART OF THE THIRD ANNUAL
MONTEREY COUNTY JUNETEENTH
CELEBRATION!

SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2022 1:00PM

RESERVE YOUR SPACE NOW! MONTEREY COUNTY JUNETEENTH
FESTIVAL IS LOOKING FOR

LOCAL ARTISANS, RETAILERS AND FOOD VENDORS!
#BRINGIT2MCJTF

LOCATION: LAGUNA GRANDE PARK
(IN FRONT OF CITY HALL)
1249 CANYON DEL REY BLVD
SEASIDE, CA 93955

*FOOD VENDORS MUST COMPLY WITH APPLICABLE CA REGULATIONS

SECURE YOUR SPOT TODAY!

GET MORE INFORMATION & APPLY AT:

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GOT TALENT?

MCBC INVITES YOU TO BE A PART OF THE THIRD ANNUAL MONTEREY COUNTY JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION!

SHOWCASE YOUR TALENTS! MUSICIANS, MAGICIANS, SINGERS, RAPPERS, CHEER/DANCE TEAMS, POETS, & ENTERTAINERS OF ALL SORTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY!


**SATURDAY
1:00PM**

**JUNE 18,
2022**

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MONTEREY COUNTY
BLACK CAUCUS
PRESENTS

The 3rd Annual

JUNETEENTH

SATURDAY, JUNE 18TH, 2022

1pm at Laguna Grande Park

**SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL
BLACK BUSINESSES,
FOOD VENDORS, BLACK HISTORY,
SPEAKERS, MUSIC, KIDS ZONE,
ENDLESS ENTERTAINMENT,
& CROWNING CEREMONY.**



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SALINAS

JUNETEENTH

Celebration



Date: Saturday, June 18, 2022

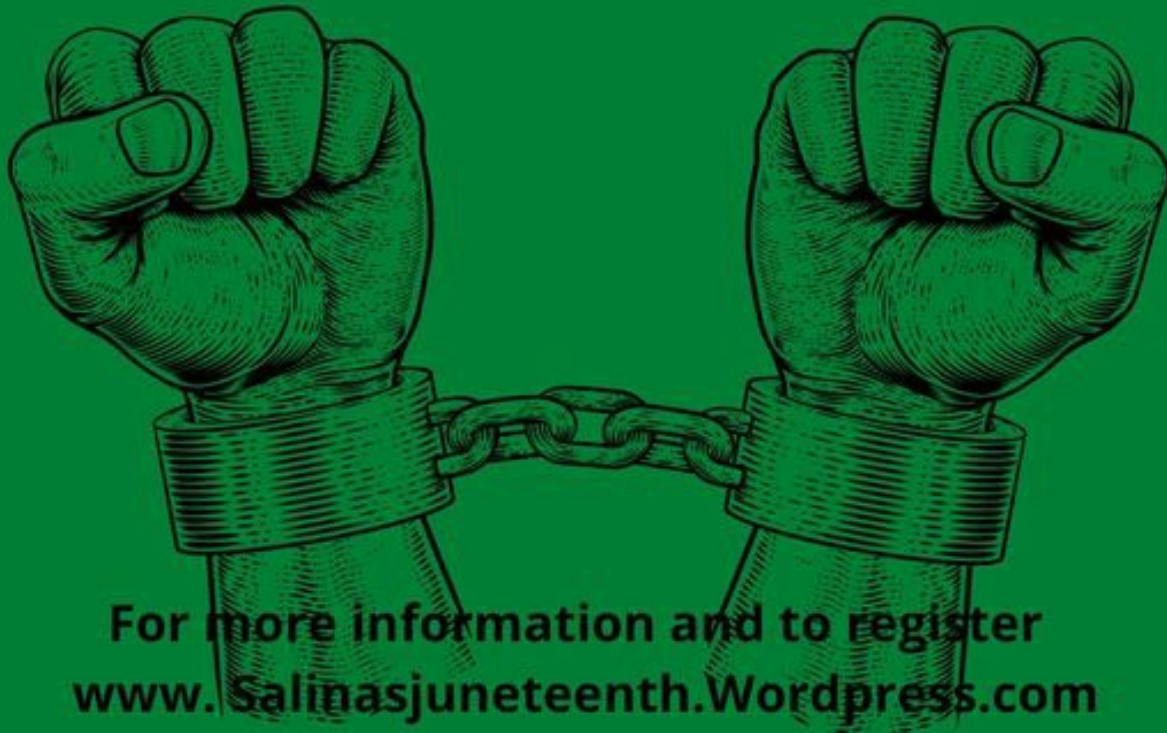
Time: 12-6 pm

**Location: Hartnell Community College
411 Central ave Salinas Ca 93901**

Music • Food • Vendors • Giveaways • Fun



FREEDOM DAY



**For more information and to register
www.Salinasjuneteenth.Wordpress.com**

PERFORMER HIGHLIGHT!



DJ MARC CENTRAL

JUNE 18, 2022

#SALINASJUNETEENTH



PERFORMER HIGHLIGHT!



CHRISTOPHER SIDERS, ARTIST

JUNE 18, 2022

#SALINASJUNETEENTH



PERFORMER HIGHLIGHT!



JUNE 18, 2022

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PERFORMER HIGHLIGHT!



QUEEN TAY, POET

JUNE 18, 2022

#SALINASJUNETEENTH



Recognizing Military Service Center
2087 Del Monte Blvd.
Seaside, CA 93955
(831) 899-3332



CELEBRATE WITH RMSC

DATE: JUNE 18, 2022

TIME: 6 P.M. UNTIL

THERE WILL BE GREAT SOUL FOOD

MUSIC & DANCING

COST OF DINNER : \$15.00 PER PLACE

***“There is
no pride
for some
of us
without
liberation*”**

**for all of
us.”**

NAACP.

This Pride Month, the NAACP is embodying the timeless truth of LGBTQIA+ activist Marsha P. Johnson’s words as we take another historic step toward justice:

The NAACP is proud to announce our permanent LGBTQIA+

Committee to

ENSURE we’re fighting for the voices and causes of all Black Americans!



Full equality CANNOT happen unless we recognize and advocate for our LGBTQIA+ community!

In America today, the prejudice faced by LGBTQIA+ people is systematic and overwhelming.

People of color identifying as LGBTQIA+ are threatened with economic exclusion, educational suppression, reduced political advocacy, and a staggering danger of physical violence.

This injustice is unacceptable, un-American, and fundamentally incompatible with the NAACP’s mission.

We cannot fight for equal justice for all without taking IMMEDIATE action against the hateful attacks on the rights and safety of our LGBTQIA+ community.

So it’s time to take action and place LGBTQIA+ voices *front and center!*

The NAACP will not rest until the rights of ALL Americans - including LGBTQIA+ Americans - are secured and defended!

In solidarity,

NAACP

**Black &
LGBTQ+**

Historic Profile: Audrey Lorde



1934–1991

[read poems by this poet](#)

Article downloaded from:

<https://poets.org/poet/audre-lorde>

Poet, essayist, and novelist Audre Lorde was born Audrey Geraldine Lorde on February 18, 1934, in New York City. Her parents were immigrants from Grenada. The youngest of three sisters, she was raised in Manhattan and attended Catholic school. While she was still in high school, her first poem appeared in *Seventeen* magazine. Lorde received her BA from Hunter College and an MLS from Columbia University. She served as a librarian in New York public schools from 1961 through 1968. In 1962, Lorde married Edward Rollins. They had two children, Elizabeth and Jonathon, before divorcing in 1970.

Her first volume of poems, *The First Cities* (Poets Press), was published in 1968. In the same year, she became the writer-in-residence at Tougaloo College in Mississippi, where she discovered a love of teaching. At Tougaloo, she also met her long-term partner, Frances Clayton. *The First Cities* was quickly followed with *Cables to Rage* (Paul Breman, 1970) and *From a Land Where Other People Live* (Broadside Press, 1973), which was nominated for a National Book Award. In 1974, she published *New York Head Shot and Museum* (Broadside Press). Whereas much of her earlier work focused on the transience of love, this book marked her most political work to date.

In 1976, W. W. Norton released her collection *Coal* and, shortly thereafter, published *The Black Unicorn* (1995). Poet [Adrienne Rich](#) said of *The Black Unicorn* that “Lorde writes as a Black woman, a mother, a daughter, a Lesbian, a feminist, a visionary; poems of elemental wildness and healing, nightmare and lucidity.” Her other volumes include *Chosen Poems Old and New* (1982) and *Our Dead Behind Us* (1986), both published by W. W. Norton. Poet Sandra M. Gilbert noted not only Lorde’s ability to express outrage, but also that she was capable of “of rare and, paradoxically, loving jeremiads.”

Lorde was diagnosed with breast cancer and chronicled her struggles in her first prose collection, *The Cancer Journals* (Spinsters, Ink, 1980), which won the Gay Caucus Book of the Year award for 1981. Her other prose volumes include *Zami: A New Spelling of My Name* (Crossing Press, 1982), *Sister Outsider: Essays and Speeches* (Crossing Press, 1984), and *A Burst of Light* (Firebrand Press, 1988), which won a National Book Award. She received a fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts in

1981.

In the 1980s, Lorde and writer Barbara Smith founded Kitchen Table: Women of Color Press. She was also a founding member of Sisters in Support of Sisters in South Africa, an organization that worked to raise concerns about women under apartheid.

Audre Lorde was a professor of English at John Jay College of Criminal Justice and Hunter College. She was the poet laureate of New York from 1991–92. She died of breast cancer in 1992. *The Collected Poems of Audre Lorde* (W. W. Norton) was published in 1997. In 2021, Lorde was inducted to the [*American Poets Corner*](#) at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine.

From Surviving to Thriving: Celebrating PRIDE with Purpose



A word from Dr. David Rivera, Steve Fund Mental Health Expert

Audre Lorde’s poem [*“A Litany for Survival”*](#) ends with the line, “So it is better to speak remembering we were never meant to survive.” These words of wisdom from our Black lesbian ancestor serve as a call to action for those who are purposefully and systemically prevented from living authentically and unapologetically. Given the mounting and continued [*legislative*](#) and sociocultural threats towards marginalized communities, including LGBTQ youth, this poetic call to action remains as relevant today as it was in 1978 when it was written.

As society continues to harm LGBTQ youth of color at alarming rates, we must elevate and center these young people in efforts to achieve racial equity in mental health. According to [*The Trevor Project \(2021\)*](#), LGBTQ youth of color continue to experience high rates of suicide attempts, with 31% of Native/Indigenous youth, 21% of Black youth, 21% of multiracial youth, 18% of Latinx youth, and 12% of Asian/Pacific Islander youth reporting attempts. Additionally, 50% of LGBTQ youth of color reported experiences with racial discrimination, which serves as another significant source of stress. Research on the mental health of LGBTQ youth of color further supports the connection between mental health compromises and experiences with discrimination ([*Sutter et al., 2018*](#); [*Velez et al., 2017*](#)).

As we enter Pride Month, we celebrate the strengths and beauty of LGBTQI+ communities. Pride Month elevates affirming and validating attention to LGBTQI+ communities in ways that challenge the oppressive and hateful discourses and actions that these communities absorb year-round. As a gay Latinx man, I know there is a direct, positive impact on my wellbeing in environments where my identities are welcomed and affirmed, and Pride Month offers such an environment. However,

relegating the celebration and affirmation of LGBTQI+ people to one month is not enough, they deserve and need to be celebrated and affirmed year-round.

One way of keeping the spirit of Pride Month alive year-round is by ensuring that issues that impact the wellbeing of LGBTQI+ youth of color are embedded in the missions and work of all institutions that serve youth, including in education, healthcare, and social services. My co-edited book, [*Affirming LGBTQ+ Students in Higher Education* \(Rivera, Abreu, & Gonzalez, 2022\)](#), published just in time for this year's Pride Month, offers critical consciousness-raising and practical strategies for creating affirming educational spaces for LGBTQ+ college students. My co-editors and I specifically call on institutions to direct "more resources on radical projects that seek to dismantle the White supremacist, anti-Black, colonial, patriarchal, ableist, transphobic, and heterosexist foundations from which institutions of higher education were built."

We need to dismantle these oppressive structures to achieve true liberation for LGBTQI+ youth of color. This will create environments that honor and affirm the strengths of LGBTQ+ people, such as hope, love, perseverance, gratitude, social intelligence, zest, and self-regulation, all of which have been linked to higher wellbeing and lower mental distress ([*Antebi-Gruszka et al., 2021*](#)). Young people are indeed speaking, and we need to listen.

**This
Week
at**

The logo for 'Deja Blue' features the name in a large, blue, cursive script. Below it, the words 'BLUES, JAZZ & COMEDY CLUB' are written in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font.

Deja Blue
BLUES, JAZZ & COMEDY CLUB

Deja Blue

500 Broadway Ave, Seaside:

Smooth Jazz, Blues & R&B

June 12, 2022

FREE

JAZZ

3 - 6PM

Smooth Jazz, Blues and R&B Special . This weeks artist featuring Paul Branin, Wilson Brooks, and Simon Russell. Come listen to three different genres for a evening that you wont forget!

Free | No Cover

All Ages

Wednesday Jazz by the bay

June 15, 2022

FREE

JAZZ

6 - 9PM

This weeks Jazz by the bay Features Stephanie Crawford , Scotty Wright, David Daniel and Leon Joyce. come enjoy the sweet tunes of jazz music and end your day with a blast.

Free | No Cover

All Ages

Blues, Pop & Rock (TBD)

June 18, 2022

FREE

3 -6PM

Artist to be determined, Date and time will presume as normal there will be live music this day!!!

Free | No Cover

All Ages

Latin Ensemble! Dance!

June 19, 2022

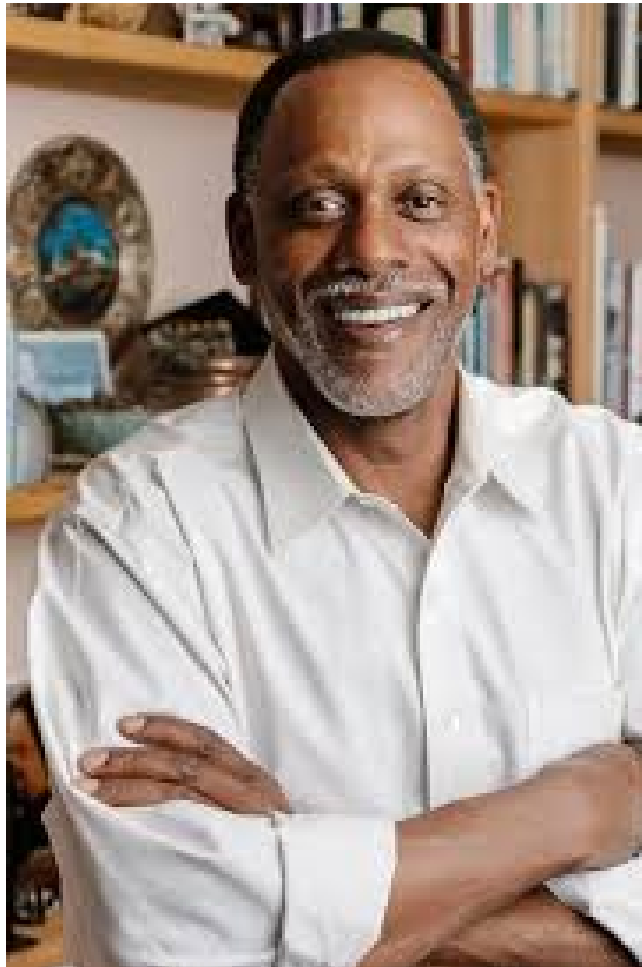
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3 - 6PM

A Latin Ensemble is coming to Deja Blue ! Can't make it to Saturday Latin nights? Well come to our extended installment of Latin music. A Latin Ensemble is coming to Deja Blue!

In the Spotlight:

**B.L.A.A.C.'s
Racial
Recognition”
Diversity,
Equity &
Inclusiveness
Training 14-
Week Online
(hybrid)
Course Starts
June 22**



Contact: Black Leaders and Allies Collaborative

- info@blaac.org;
- **831-377-8995 Limited Seating Available**

“The fast-growing movement embracing diversity, equity and inclusion in the workplace (DEI) has the potential to be a game-changer in improving race relations. Both management and front-line employees can better understand these powerful issues and apply collaborative techniques through a 12-week online course taught by Monterey Peninsula-based [***Black Leaders and Allies Collaborative***](#) (BLAAC).”

Although the overview course philosophy, called “Euro-centric Cultural Reflectionism” (ECCR), sounds complicated and academic, its key facets are actually quite relatable. The intimate classes focus on “racial recognition” that objectively explains past beliefs and attitudes about racial identity, perceptions and relations and helps shift one’s perspectives towards forward-thinking behaviors.

Among many of the subjects covered, participants in the course will:

- Identify and talk about their feelings on common racial topics
- Learn to recognize embedded attitudes and reactions
- Develop an understanding for racial, economic, and social disparities
- Master the self-fulfilling concept of “perpetual circumstance”
- Realize the pain and beauty of blackness in America
- Acquire the tools to shift from a "fixing" mentality to a "working with" mentality

Says Williams, course facilitator, ECCR developer, founder and Executive Director of the local non-profit, nonpartisan organization: “Our historical patterns of poor race relations are not only a matter of what we do, but also a byproduct of who we are, both individually and corporately. ECCR is not only DEI training, but also a methodical course to promote and achieve a deeper sense of appreciation and healing as it relates to interracial relationships of all kinds. The positive feedback we’re getting from those who’ve completed this course is tremendous. Several have praised it as a life-changing experience.”

The price for the full course, including support materials, is offered on a sliding scale with qualified scholarships available. To register or to receive more information, send an email to info@blaac.org or click to www.blaac.org/eurocentric-cultural-reflectionism.

About BLAAC: Supported by several regional organizations including Salinas Valley Memorial Healthcare System, Black Leaders and Allies Collaborative is the first of its kind in the Monterey area dedicated to bridging the gap between community organizations and activist leaders to achieve social equity. Its mission is to strengthen society and reduce social dissonance by connecting African-American leaders with ally supporters and to unify local activists and businesses committed to the promotion of social equity, social justice, and the abolishment of racism in every form. BLAAC can be reached by mail at PO Box 833, Seaside, CA 93955. Visit www.blaac.org for links to various organizations and resources, the board of directors, and information on how to get involved to improve our community

**SAVE THE
DATE:
113TH
NAACP
NATIONAL
CONVENTION
JULY 14 - 20,
2022**



Visit NAACP.ORG [f](#) [t](#) [@](#) [v](#) [@NAACP](#)

Our collective voice is power. Our community is power. And when we gather? Powerful. The 113th NAACP National Convention is the perfect setting to strengthen civil rights and every form of socio-economic equality. Join us online or in Atlantic City from July 14-20 as we convene to progress policies that impact Black America.

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE](#)

**Save the
Date**

**IN-PERSON PRIDE
IS MAKING A
RETURN**

**Saturday, July
23; 11am
Custom House
Plaza,
Monterey**

After two years of virtual events to help keep our community safe, we're delighted to announce that the annual Monterey Peninsula Pride parade and celebration will be held in-person on Saturday, July 23, 2022 at the Custom House Plaza, part of Monterey State Historic Park.

Be sure to follow us on social media for the latest updates:

- <https://twitter.com/montereypride>
- <https://www.facebook.com/MontereyPeninsulaPride/>



**MONTEREY PENINSULA
PRIDE 2022**

- <https://www.instagram.com/montereypride/>

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[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, 174 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: Tay Elaine, 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. La Tanya Barr

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

[Seaside Seventh Day Adventist Community Church](#)

- **About Us:** The Seaside SDA Community Church Seaside community SDA church is the first and only Historically Black Adventist church on the Monterey Peninsula. Founded in 1966, Seaside SDA Church is part of a worldwide organization with more than 15 million members around the world. We exists *to share the love and teachings of Jesus Christ to all people*. Through prayer, the word, love, and service, we connect our church and community to Christ. When you come to Seaside, you can expect to be welcomed into a friendly, positive environment by people who are genuinely glad to see you.
- **Saturdays Virtual and in-person-** Sabbath School service on Zoom at 9:30 AM. Enjoy in-person worship service and by live-streaming Seaside Community SDA on Facebook or You-tube at 11:00 AM.

[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

[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.

Monterey Bay Black Folks Weekly Event Calendar
[Submit to AfricanQuazar@gmail.com](mailto:AfricanQuazar@gmail.com)
