



Monterey Bay Black Folks Event Calendar

May 23, 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:

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

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May is...



From the Web:

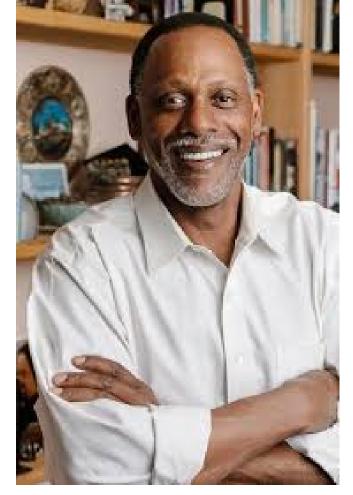
- <u>17 Black & Asian Actors</u> from Internet Movie Data Base
- <u>15 Amazing Blasian Celebrities You Should</u> <u>Know</u> - from Asian American Organizing Project
- <u>23 Blasian Celebrities We Love</u> from Black Excellence

In the Spotlight:

B.L.A.A.C.'s
Racial
Recognition"
Diversity,
Equity &
Inclusiveness
Training 12-

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

This Week at



Deja Blue 500 Broadway Ave, Seaside:

Wednesday Jazz Day!

May 25, 2022

FREE

JAZZ

6 - 9PM

Come Joins us for a Jazz day special featuring your local favorites. Scotty Wright, Daniel Daniel, Bruce Foreman, and Leon Joyce

Free | No Cover

All Ages

Blues By The Bay

May 28, 2022

FREE

BLUES

3 - 6PM

Come Join us for Blues By the Bay at Deja Blue Featuring the best local artist in the Monterey Bay .

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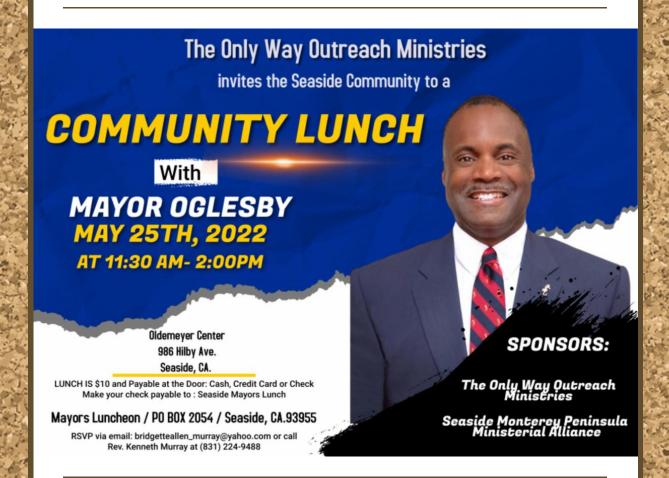
The Jazz Blues and R&B trio

May 29, 2022

FREE

3 - 6PM

The Jazz Blues and R&B Trio will be playing at Deja Blue In Seaside, Come Join us for some soul food and amazing live music for free.



George Floyd Forum:



"Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow," A Teaching and Learning Opportunity

Wednesday, May 25, 2022 1:00 PM 3:00 PM

This is a FREE event; but you must Register in Advance

In Person:

• Hilton Garden Inn at the Vista Del Mar Restaurant

Livestream:

• Register Here for Login Info

JOIN THE DWMC IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:

- NAACP
- MONTEREY COUNTY BLACK CAUCUS
- MONTEREY PENINSULA COLLEGE
- CULTURAL INFUSION
- NEXUS WELLNESS SOLUTIONS
- CITY OF SEASIDE

FOR A THOUGHTFUL DISCUSSION ON LESSONS LEARNED AND HOW WE ARE MOVING FORWARD TWO YEARS AFTER THE MURDER OF GEORGE FLOYD.



An insightful, groundbreaking film about the state of race relations in America as seen through the eyes of eight North American men. Join us to witness the pain and scars that racism has caused them, in order to emerge with a deeper sense of understanding and trust. This is the dialogue most of us fear.

Wednesday, May 25, 2022 Lighthouse Cinemas, PG 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Seating limited to 50 guests
Light refreshments available
Honoring our recent course graduates

Free Film Screening:

Black Leaders And Allies Collaborative

"The Color of Fear"

Sponsored by Black Leaders and Allies Collaborative

Wed May 25, 6 to 9pm Pacific Grove Light House Theater 525 Lighthouse Ave, Pacific Grove

Register to Attend for Free

On May 25th at Pacific Grove Lighthouse Theater, Black Leaders and Allies Collaborative (BLAAC) will present at no charge "The Color of Fear." An insightful, groundbreaking film about the state of race relations in America as seen through the eyes of eight North American men.

This Le Mun Wah film has changed the lives of many as eight American men of different ethnicities, openly and courageously share their life experiences.

Watch and witness the pain and scars that racism has caused them in order to emerge with a deeper sense of understanding and trust. This is the dialogue most of us fear.

Meet new friends, watch a movie, share your thoughts. Seating is limited

For more information visit our website <u>www.blaac.org</u> (scroll down).

MPC's MPC
Imani MONTEREY PENINSULA
Group
Presents its 27th
Annual Rites of
Passage Ceremony

Ceremony Details

Date: Thursday, May 26, 2022

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: MPC Music Hall, Monterey Campus

Dear Black Folks, MPC Community Members & Friends,

The Imani Group, MPC's Black/African-American Faculty & Staff Association, invites you to join us for the 27th Annual Rites of Passage Ceremony. This annual event honors and celebrates students who identify as Black/African-American that have successfully completed an Associate Degree, a Certification, or will transfer to a Four-Year University.

The Rites of Passage Ceremony recognizes both the students' accomplishments and the community that supported them, while marking the transition from their time at Monterey Peninsula College to their future studies or professional endeavors. You are very much a part of this celebration and we invite you to join us in this ceremonial precommencement event that embraces African culture, customs, and traditions.

Please join us in celebrating our students as they continue their journeys and bid farewell to MPC. This year's event will be held in the Music Hall, MU-101, on MPC's Monterey campus. You can expect to hear words of wisdom from notable speakers, student awards and recognition, and musical selections, culminating with the presentation of Kente Stoles, followed by a reception for graduates and guests.

Note: MPC has an indoor mask mandate requiring face coverings to be worn indoors in all public spaces at Monterey Peninsula College, regardless of vaccination status.

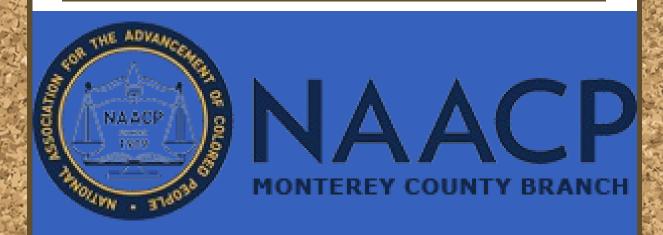
27th Annual MONTERE CO. Rites of Passage Ceremony





Reception immediately following ceremony

*For more information, contact LaKisha Bradley (lbradley@mpc.edu)



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, May 26, @ 7PM Oldemeyer Center, 986 Hilby Ave., Seaside California State University, Monterey Bay Helen Rucker Center 🛦 for Black Excellence

COVID-19 Vaccine Survey

Monterey County We want to hear from you!

https://rb.gy/ll2o2e



Monterey County Community Forum COVID-19 VACCINE INFORMATION

A community conversation about the COVID-19 vaccine



Saturday, May 14th 10 am - 11 am (Spanish) Tuesday, June 14th 6 pm - 7 pm

Join us for a small group conversation about the vaccine and Q&A with local providers.

Join the discussion by signing up here: https://bit.ly/3GG5UP4

THIS EVENT IS HOSTED BY CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, MONTEREY BAY OFFICE OF INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE AND SUSTAINABILITY

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO
JOIN OUR LISTSERV, EMAIL
VANESSA LOPEZ-LITTLETON AT VLITTLETON@CSUMB.EDU

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

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Date: Saturday, June 18,2022 Time: 12-6 pm

Location: Hartnell Community College 411 Central ave Salinas Ca 93901

Music • Food • Vendors • Giveaways • Fun



Our Community Health Workers
will be
offering
free rapid
COVID tests
on the
following
days:



Tuesdays & Fridays: 11AM-4PM

Grocery Outlet 1523 Fremont Blvd, Seaside, CA

Thursdays: 11AM-4PM Friendship Baptist Church

1440 Broadway Ave, Seaside, CA 93955

Thursdays: 11AM-4PM

Parking Lot at 1590 Del Monte Blvd, Seaside, CA 93955

Saturdays: Grocery Outlet 10AM-4PM 1523 Fremont Blvd, Seaside, CA 93955

Stay Safe, Get Tested!



I'M RUNNING FOR ASSEMBLY!

The state redistricting commission split up the Monterey Bay and combined the majority of our current State Assembly district with San Luis Obispo County. As someone who has lived and worked in all three counties, I bring the most local knowledge and expertise to the table, and I look forward to showing you that I'm ready to hit the ground running on Day One as your next assembly member.

Please Donate!

Don't forget to register for the virtual candidate forum by **clicking on this link**. Then, mark your calendar so you don't miss this great event!

Thank you for your continued support of my campaign. I couldn't do it without you!

--- Jon Wizard





WEEKLY NEWS UPDATE

The Root: <u>NAACP Composes Anti-Hate Proposal After Buffalo</u> <u>Tragedy</u>

The NAACP is preparing to propose a plan in other to protect Black Americans from white supremacist violence, the Associated Press reports. The plan seeks to build a policy approach to curb anti-Black domestic terrorism involving law enforcement, business regulation, and gun control.

The Hill: <u>Garland, NAACP president will meet on danger of white supremacy</u>

Attorney General Merrick Garland will meet with NAACP President Derrick Johnson on Friday to discuss the danger of white supremacy and how it is being fed online. The meeting comes after a gunman killed 10 people and wounded three at a supermarket in Buffalo, N.Y., in a predominantly Black neighborhood. The suspect arrested in the killings shared plans of his attack online before the shootings and made it clear he hoped others would follow him.

NPR: <u>The Justice Department is releasing new guidelines,</u> grants to fight hate crimes

This week, the NAACP released a plan calling on the administration to do more to police social media companies that fail to address hateful and violent content on their sites, and to push Congress to pass gun safety measures. NAACP President Derrick Johnson also urged President Biden to advance a long-awaited executive order on police reform in time for the second anniversary of the death of George Floyd at the hands of former Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin next week.

CNN: 'Millions of people absorb this garbage': Acosta calls out Carlson for dangerous rhetoric

CNN's Jim Acosta talks to NAACP President Derrick Johnson about Tucker Carlson's dangerous rhetoric around replacement theory after an 18-year-old was charged with killing ten people in a racially-motivated supermarket shooting in Buffalo, New York.

Politico: <u>Tech companies removed the Buffalo shooting</u> manifesto. A Texas law could make that illegal

Minority communities in particular would suffer if online companies water down their content moderation policies or readmit people they have banned, NAACP President Derrick Johnson said in an interview. "We cannot as a society allow for social media platforms — or broadcast or cable news — to be used as tools to further tribalism, diminishing democracy," he said. "That is what happened leading up to World War II and Nazi Germany. We have too many lessons in the past we can look to determine it is not healthy for communities, it is not safe for individuals."

The Grio: Meet the first NAACP all-women of color C-suite

The first all-women of color NAACP C-suite team is working to leave a legacy built on values around equity, inclusivity and justice. The seven dynamos met with the Grio in an exclusive interview to share their stories and how they hope someday seeing an all-women of color group in leadership will be the norm, not the exception.

Business Insider: <u>The Congressional Black Caucus calls for</u> <u>'broad-based' student debt cancellation as Biden inches closer to a decision</u>

"Student debt is a plague, it is a virus that shackles Black Americans. It has devastated families and roadblocked opportunities for countless Black Americans. President Biden alone can do the right thing for the Black community. To help free Black borrowers, President Biden must cancel \$50,000 in student debt," said NAACP President and CEO Derrick Johnson.

NAACP: Hey Black America

NAACP SVP of Marketing and Communications Trovon Williams highlights our 113th NAACP National Convention, taking place July 14-20 in Atlantic City, and the domestic terrorism situation in Buffalo NY.

STATEMENTS:

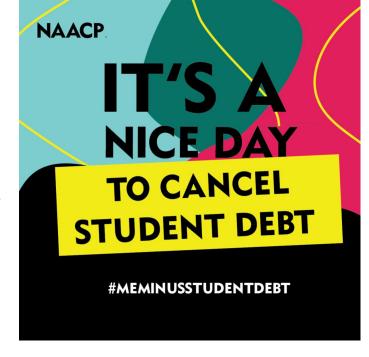
- NAACP Releases Plan to Address Spread of Domestic Terrorism
- NAACP and ADL to Convene a Meeting with AG Garland on Friday

TAKE
ACTION:
URGE
PRESIDENT
BIDEN TO
CANCEL

STUDENT DEBT

There is no plan to close racial wealth gaps that does not include addressing the student debt crisis. Student debt relief is the much-needed policy solution in the midst of this economic crisis.

\$10,000 is not enough. Data suggest that cancellation policies beyond \$50,000 without



means-testing would benefit all demographics, eliminate racial disparities in student debt, and boost our struggling economy. This will:

- Provide Black borrowers with opportunities to pursue homeownership
- Develop economy-boosting discretionary income
- Fuel upward mobility in the Black community and equitable efforts to close the racial wealth gap

CLICK HERE TO TAKE ACTION!

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



Visit NAACP.ORG **■ YOU DO @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

Follow Black Folk on Social Media

(Click on links to follow to sites)

Facebook:

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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 preeminent 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!

<u>Hays Christian Methodist Episcopal Church</u>

• 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.

<u>Lighthouse Full Gospel Church</u>

• 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.

<u>Mt. Nebo Baptist Church Salinas</u>

• 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 Monterrey 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.

<u>Deja Blue, Seaside</u>

• 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

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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