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EIU SPONSORS MONTH-LONG SERIES OF BLACK HISTORY EVENTS

CHARLESTON, IL.--A black art exhibit, beauty pageant, fashion show and a series of lectures are just a few of the highlights of Black History Month on the Eastern Illinois University campus.

The EIU Black Student Union, University Board, Tarble Arts Center, Afro American Studies Program and Concerned Citizens of Charleston are sponsoring the February event. The theme of this year's event is "Class and Sass," according to Jonetta Jones, EIU Director of Afro American Studies.

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Black History Month was founded in 1926 by Carter G. Woodson, founder of the "Journal of Negro History" and the National Association of Negro Life & and History.

Woodson designated the second week in February as a time to celebrate and spotlight the contributions made by Negroes in American society. The week was later expanded to a month-long celebration.

The schedule of events for the remainder of the month is listed below. For more information, call (217) 581-5719.

Feb. 6--Play titled "Ain't I a Women," starring Shirlene Holmes, 8 p.m., Coleman Hall, Room 102; and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Social Dance, 11 p.m.-2 a.m., Ballroom, M.L. King Student Union.

Feb. 8--Lecture by Al DiChiara on "The Black Underclass: Implications for the Future," 8 p.m. Kansas Room, M.L. King Student Union.

The week of Feb. 14-20--(Feb. 15-29) Black Art Exhibit, North Entrance of Library; (Feb. 16) Lecture by Dr. Brisbane Rouzane on "Black Images in American Cinema; From Stephen Fetchett to Eddie Murphy," East one-third Old Ballroom, M.L. King Student Union; (Feb. 18) Fashion show "Moving Together...In Fashion," 7 p.m. Grand Ballroom, M.L. Student Union; and Films "St Louis Blues" and "Black & Tan," 7 p.m., Tarble Arts Center; (Feb. 19-20) BSU Parent Appreciation Weekend; (Feb. 19) Parents' Reception, 9-11 p.m., 1895 Room, M.L. King Student Union; and Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Social Dance, 11 p.m.-2 a.m., Ballroom, M.L. Student Union; (Feb. 20) Parents' Banquet Dinner, EIU President Stan Rives, guest speaker, 5 p.m., Rathskellar, M.L. King Student Union; 12th annual Miss Black EIU Pageant, 8 p.m., Grand Ballroom, M.L. King Student Union; and Coronation Dance, 11 p.m.-2 a.m., Grand Ballroom, M.L. King Student Union.

The week of Feb. 21-27--(Feb. 23) Lecture by Dr. John Haley on "The Black Middle Class," 7:30 p.m., Oakland Room, M.L. King Student Union; (Feb. 25) Films "Two Centuries of Black Art" & "Bearden Plays Bearden," 7 p.m., Tarble Arts Center; (Feb. 27) Jazz Festival, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., M.L. King Student Union; and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Social Dance, 11 p.m.-2 a.m., Ballroom, M.L. King Student Union.

The week of Feb. 28-March 5--(Feb. 29) Video Tape Tom Mihail's "People Get Ready: One Man's Journey Through Black History," 7:30 p.m., Rathskellar Balcony, M.L. King Student Union; (March 7) Lecture by Paula Giddings on the "Impact of Black Women on Race and Sex in America," 8 p.m., Grand Ballroom, M.L. King Student Union.