Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration Program

Join the Center for Student Diversity for our Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration Program, featuring this year's keynote speaker, Dr. Julianne Malveaux. Dr. Malveaux served as the 15th President of Bennett College for Women. She is an economist, author and commentator who’s popular writings has appeared in USA Today, Diverse Issues in Higher Education, Ms. Magazine, Essence Magazine, the Progressive and many more.

Well-known for appearances on national network programs, Malveaux, has hosted television and radio programs, and appeared widely as a commentator, on networks including CNN, BET, PBS, NBC, ABC, Fox News, MSNBC, CNBC, C-SPAN and others.

A committed activist and civic leader, Dr. Malveaux has held positions in women’s, civil rights, and policy organizations. Currently, she serves on the boards of the Economic Policy Institute, The Recreation Wish List Committee of Washington, DC, and the Liberian Education Trust. She has also lectured at more than 500 colleges/universities. She is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

She is the Founder of Last Word Productions, Inc., a multimedia production company that serves as a vehicle for the work and products of Dr. Julianne Malveaux. For the last 10 years the company has centered its efforts on Dr. Malveaux’s public speaking appearances, her work as a broadcast and print journalist, and author. This event is free and open to the Community. The program will be held in Sadler Center, Commonwealth Auditorium at 7:00 pm. For more information, contact Vernon Hurte at 757-221-2301 or vjhurt@wm.edu.

“In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends.”

-Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
Diversity Recognitions

The College Diversity Advisory Committee members have been recognizing colleagues for their efforts toward diversity initiatives. For the spring semester, colleagues will be recognized in the monthly issue of VOICES. Please congratulate the following individuals: Deidre Connolly, Athletics; Steve Cole, Athletics; Linda Lane Hamilton, School of Business (not pictured); Stephanie Appiah, School of Business/Law (not pictured); Ed Pease, Art and Art History; Christopher DelNegro, Applied Science; Ginnie McLaughlin, Jamel Donner, Denise Johnson, John Moore, Jeremy Stoddard, Juanita Jo Matkins, Jim Barber, Shannon Trice-Black, Judi Harris, Jingzhu Zhang, School of Education; David Williard, University Relations.

College Mourns the Loss of Mrs. Alyce Gordon Willis

Ms. Alyce Gordon Willis, widow of Mr. Hulon L. Willis, Sr., first African American graduate of William & Mary, passed away on December 26, 2012. Ms. Willis received her Bachelor of Science degree from Virginia State College and was named an honorary alumna of William and Mary in 2004. Ms. Willis served the College for many years after her husband’s death. She was an ex-officio board member of the Hulon Willis Alumni Association and served on the Parent’s Advisory Council.

Her son and daughter, Hulon and Kimberly, both attended William and Mary. Five years ago, her granddaughter, Mica Willis, entered William and Mary making the Willis Family the first African American family to have three-generations attend the College.

The School of Education recently recognized Ms. Willis’s husband with a book collection in the Learning Resource Center. Additionally, HWA recognized Ms. Willis during Homecoming 2012 as a part of their 20th Anniversary Celebration. The College extends its deepest condolences to the Willis Family.
World Interfaith Harmony Week Begins February 3 at William & Mary

On October 20, 2010, the UN General Assembly unanimously adopted a resolution recognizing the first week of February as World Interfaith Harmony Week. Building on the UN Alliance of Civilizations, World Interfaith Harmony Week provides a platform for promoting peace and non-violence, and eliminating intolerance and discrimination based on religion or belief. World Interfaith Harmony Week invites peoples of all faiths and none to participate in activities during that week that promote its goals and impact religious understanding. The World Interfaith Harmony Week provides a platform—one week in a year—when all interfaith groups and other groups of goodwill can show the world what a powerful movement they are.

In recognition of WIHW, the College of William & Mary is offering a 1-credit course (Pass/Fail) entitled “The Importance of Multi-faith Understanding and the Dangers of Religious Ignorance.” The course will be comprised of a 1-day conference on February 3, 2013, followed by three 2-hour discussion sessions of assigned readings (to be scheduled on weekends after the Feb. 3 seminar), resulting in a 5-7 page paper and 3 reflections. Proposed lecture topics include, but are not limited to, 1) International Savvy: The Importance of Studying Religions in Understanding Global Affairs; 2) Consequences of NOT Studying Religions’ Role in Global Affairs, and 3) Do You Know What Global Religions Have in Common? Does it Matter? For more information please contact Professor Tamara Sonn or register on BlackBoard for Course CRN 28007.

Lemon Project Corner

Oral History Training

The Lemon Project Oral History Collection is well underway. There will be a training session on Saturday, January 26 from 10:00 -1:00 pm in the Sadler Center Tidewater Room B. Alphine Jefferson, Ph.D., professor of History and Director of Black Studies at Randolph – Macon College in Ashland, VA, will lead the workshop. If you would like to participate in this training session, please register at https://forms.wm.edu/7070. The deadline is January 22, 2013. The workshop is limited to 25 participants.

Porch Talk

The Lemon Project Legacies Porch Talks: For generations, the front porch has been at the center of intergenerational exchanges—grandparents, parents, aunts, uncles, neighbors, etc. have shared life lessons with the younger generation—in this setting. Join us for the 3rd Lemon Project Legacies Porch Talk Wednesday, January 16th in the Cohen Career Center Rooms A & B from 12noon until 2:00PM. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP at https://forms.wm.edu/7542. This Porch Talk has been planned with the 2013 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Campus-Wide Commemoration in mind. We can all learn a lot from Dr. Malveaux, but asking questions of her in front of a large group may be daunting. Discussion on the 16th will focus on developing skills that will give us the confidence to ask questions of anyone in any setting. Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you on the 16th. (Open to all WM students, faculty, and staff).
Faculty Publications

Dr. Hermine Pinson, Associate Professor of English, has a new CD entitled, Deliver Yourself. The project began as an imperative to myself to hold on in a fast-moving world. The other songs and poems "deliver" a similar message, a secular sermon on the struggle, the pain and joy of trying to remain human and the paradox this endeavor represents. With such a mission in mind, this album is eclectic in scope. However, it has much to offer in the way of blues, pop standards, jazz arrangements that accompany poetry, and even a little folk ditty for the children.

In collaboration with William Sasser, Dr. Ron Sims has co-edited a new book entitled, Human Resources Management for the Millennial Generation. Information Age Publishing, Inc. is the publisher. The purpose of this book is to explore the talents, work styles, attitudes, and issues that members of the millennial generation are bringing with them as they enter the workforce.

William & Mary Committed to Supplier Diversity

Ever heard the phrase, “Shop Local, Support Your Community”? This increasingly popular phrase encourages people to shop first with the small businesses in their area before spending dollars with big businesses. Did you know the College also supports utilizing small businesses, as well as women- and minority-owned businesses, commonly referred to as SWaM? By utilizing SWaM businesses, we are contributing to the boosting the state’s economy and employment levels.

In 2006, the SWaM Procurement Initiative was established by the Governor in an effort to enhance business opportunities for small businesses, as well as women- and minority-owned. The Executive Order set out a goal of 40% of spend throughout the Commonwealth be with SWaM businesses. The College has been working hard towards meeting this goal, and we need your help! Please remember to check for a SWaM business first for any College purchases. Every purchase counts, and sometimes just taking those few extra minutes to search for a SWaM vendor for the items you need may help in saving money, finding better customer service or a faster turnaround time. And using a qualified SWaM vendor will often expedite the procurement process!

Not sure where to start with finding a SWaM certified business? Think you may have a business that qualifies as a SWaM but they are not certified through the state’s certification program? Contact the College’s SWaM Diversity Champion, Marra Austin, VCO at maaustin@wm.edu or 757-221-7636.
Save the Date

- February 8 6:00 pm Filipino Culture Night Commonwealth Auditorium
- February 10 3:00 pm Lemon Celebration of Dance Kimball Theater
- February 15 6:00 pm Lunar New Year Banquet Commonwealth Auditorium
- February 16 6:00 pm Tidewater Gospel Festival Chesapeake Rooms ABC
- March 16 9:00 am Lemon Project Symposium Bruton Heights Center
- April 5 6:00 pm Taste of Asia Commonwealth Auditorium

You’re Invited!

The School of Marine Science Office of Academic Studies Invites you to the

2nd Annual International Potluck Dinner

Wednesday January 16, 2013 5:30 – 7:30 PM VIMS Watermens Hall Lobby

We hope you will join us in celebrating the start of the new semester with excellent food and good conversation. The Office of Academic Studies will provide a main dish and beverages. You are encouraged to bring your favorite internationally inspired main dish, side dish or desert.

RSVP by Monday January 14th to AD-AS@vims.edu

The Forum hosts Annual Tax Seminar

It's that time of year again in which some of us dread. Yes, it's almost Tax Season. Back by popular demand, the Forum will be hosting a Tax Seminar by Mike Stump, Director of Internal Audit for the College. Mike will share comprehensive information on deductions, tax tables, and more. This year the Tax Seminar will be held on the W&M and VIMS campus. Please bring your lunch. Dates, locations, and times are listed below:

1) Tuesday, January 15, 2013, 12-1 pm, VIMS Auditorium, Watermen’s Hall
2) Wednesday, January 16, 12-1 pm, York Room, Sadler Center

WMSURE Program will host Dr. Lawrence Jackson

On January 29, 2013, the WMSURE Program will host Dr. Lawrence Jackson, professor of English and African American Studies at Emory University. Professor Jackson earned his Ph.D. at Stanford University in 1997, and he began his teaching career at Howard University in Washington, DC. He joined Emory’s faculty in 2002, the year his biography, Ralph Ellison: Emergence of Genius, was published. He has lectured widely in the United States and abroad. The lecture will be held in Blow 201 at 3:00 pm. For a list of other WMSURE events, please visit the website at http://www.wm.edu/as/charlescenter/scholars/wmsure/?svr=web or by contacting Professors Anne Charity Hudley or Cheryl Dickter.