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The International Civil Rights Center & Museum Honors Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with Two Days of Special Observances & Celebrations
- January 18 & 20, 2014 -

GREENSBORO, N.C., (Jan. 15, 2014) –The [International Civil Rights Center & Museum](http://www.sitinmovement.org) (ICRCM) will hold two days of special observances celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK). On Saturday, January 18 from 11am-2:30pm and on Monday, January 20 from 12:30am-6pm, there will be a host of special events at the Museum including story time, arts, crafts and activities for children, youth concerts, drama productions, an art exhibition, a featured showing of the documentary film “I Have a Dream”, and a panel discussion on the relevance of Dr. King for Civil Rights struggles today. All programs are free and open to the public. Visit www.sitinmovement.org for more info.

Listed below is the calendar of events for the MLK Day Observances at the ICRCM.

Saturday, January 18

Story Hour (for children, ages 5-12, and their families)

11:00a.m. ***Happy Birthday, Martin Luther King*** by Jean Marzollo
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“I Have a Dream” Community Youth Concert

1:00p.m. Sacred music inspired civil rights activists and affirmed the righteousness of their struggle. Youth choirs, a band, and a mime group from the Piedmont Triad perform spirituals and gospel music dedicated to the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Location: Auditorium

Master of Ceremony, Walter Johnson, Minister and gospel artist; and ***Performers, Jesus Our Victory Youth Choir & Liturgical Dancers***, Greensboro, NC; ***Mount Zion Baptist Church Youth Choir***, Greensboro, NC; ***Jerusalem UHC Mime Ministry***, Reidsville, NC; ***Westminster Presbyterian Church Youth Band***, Greensboro, NC; ***Union Grove Baptist Church Youth Choir***, Hurdle Mills, NC; ***God’s Place of Worship & Deliverance Youth Choir***, Greensboro, NC; and ***Elliott Cheek***, Orator, Greensboro, NC

Monday, January 20

MLK Day Activities for Children & Families

Story Hour (for children, ages 5-12, and their families)

12:30p.m. ***Happy Birthday, Martin Luther King*** by Jean Marzollo
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Fun Ways to Learn about Dr. King

1:00 p.m. Join us as we learn about Dr. King and the struggle for civil rights through a variety of games, puzzles, and art-making activities. Participants can win prizes!

Let Freedom Ring

A Concert by Clara Peck Elementary School Orchestra

1:30p.m. Talented violinists and a chorus from Peck, a local Guilford County School, will be joined by instructors and students from the Department of Music at UNC-Greensboro in a concert celebrating the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Location: Auditorium

“I’ve Been to the Mountaintop”

An Art Exhibition by Clara Peck Elementary School Students

2:30p.m. Students from Peck Elementary display their artwork depicting people, places, and events of America’s civil rights struggle. Guests are encouraged to make donations of money or books to the Media Center of Clara Peck Elementary School. Location: SIMI’s Room

MLK Day Activities for Adults

Martin Luther King: “I Have a Dream”

A Documentary Film

3:30p.m. The 1963 the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, then the largest civil rights demonstration, occurred in our nation’s capital. This film documents the era, the fervor for social change, and how Dr. King’s oratory inspired a nation. Location: Auditorium

From Birmingham to Memphis

The Sycamore Project, Charlotte, NC

5:00p.m. A dance and drama production traces the civil rights movement from the 1963 bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama, to the 1968 sanitation’s worker’s strike in Memphis, Tennessee where Dr. King was slain.

A Knock at Midnight

A Panel Discussion on the Relevance of Dr. King for Civil Rights Struggles Today

5:45p.m. A reading of excerpts from Dr. King’s sermon, *A Knock at Midnight*, serves as a backdrop for a discussion on local and national issues such as immigration, homelessness, military engagement vs. peaceful negotiation, women’s concerns, and gay rights.

Panelists include:

Mandy Carter, Co-founder, National Black Justice Coalition, Washington, DC; **Maria Sanchez-Boudy**, Executive Director, Hispanic Arts Initiative, Winston-Salem, NC;

Robert J. Wineburg, Ph.D., Professor of Social Work, University of North Carolina-Greensboro, Greensboro, NC; **Derick Smith**, Professor of Political Science, North Carolina A&T State University, Greensboro, NC.

Admission to the Martin Luther King Jr. Day events is free. Admission fees for Museum Exhibition Tours are \$10 for Adults, \$8 for seniors 65+, \$8 for students and \$6 for children ages 6-12. Children 5 and under FREE with paying adult and ICRCM Members are free. Hours are 10am to 6pm Monday – Saturday. The Museum is closed on Sundays.

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The International Civil Rights Center & Museum (ICRCM) is a historic landmark, an exhibiting and collecting institution and an educational service organization that promotes an understanding of the struggles for equality, justice and freedom in the United States and the World. The ICRCM is a not-for-profit 501 (c)(3) corporation that was founded by Sit-in Movement, Inc.

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