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UNLV Music: Jazz Ensemble I's Celebration of Black History Month

Feb. 6, 2018, 7:30pm

Campus Location

Artemus W. Ham Concert Hall

Description:

UNLV's Jazz Ensemble I celebrates black history month with guest artists Clint Holmes, Don Cunningham, Toscha Comeaux, Gary Fowler, and Jo Belle Yonely.

Price: \$10 - All Seats

(\$8 discounted tickets are available to seniors, military members, and UNLV Faculty and Staff. All students may receive 1 free ticket with valid ID.)

Nevada Conservatory Theatre: Fences

When: Feb. 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18 2018, times vary

Campus Location

Judy Bayley Theatre

Description:

by August Wilson

Troy Maxson, a former star of the Negro baseball leagues now works as a garbage man in 1957 Pittsburgh. Excluded as a black man from the major leagues during his prime, Troy's bitterness takes its toll on his relationships with his wife and his son, who now wants his own chance to play ball.

Price: Section A: \$33, Section B: \$27.50

(Discounted tickets are available for seniors, military members, the differently abled, all students, UNLV faculty and staff, and UNLV alumni.)

ICON Concerts: Black Violin

When: Feb. 24, 2018, 8pm

Campus Location

Artemus W. Ham Concert Hall

Description:

Black Violin is the blend of classical, hip-hop, rock, R&B, and bluegrass music all played on violin.

Price: \$25 - \$30 - \$35 - \$45

DISCOVERY CHILDREN'S MUSUEM

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

FEBRUARY 3 – 9

Arts Humanities: Celebrating Willie Cole

"Nothing is what you think it is, and everything is the same." Discover artist Willie Cole and his unique approach to art.

Early Childhood Development

Listen to the story, "Moja Means One: Swahili Counting Book," winner of the Caldecott Honor Award, written by Muriel Feelings and illustrated by Tom Feelings. Design a colorful number collage in celebration of the story.

Science: A Celebration of Lewis Latimer

Join us in our honoring of Lewis Latimer, the inventor of the carbon filament light bulb. Learn about Lewis Latimer and how this invention made light bulbs more affordable.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

FEBRUARY 10 – 16

Arts Humanities: Celebrating Kara Walker

Learn about space and color as you create art inspired by the works of Kara Walker.

Early Childhood Development

Enjoy the beautiful illustrations featured in the Caldecott Medal-winning story, “The Lion and the Mouse” by author and illustrator Jerry Pinkney. Create your own version of the bold lion and the tiny mouse so that you can retell one of Aesop’s most beloved fables.

Science: Honoring Katherine Johnson

Join us as we honor Katherine Johnson and her pivotal work with NASA.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

FEBRUARY 24 – MARCH 2

Arts Humanities: Celebrating Alma Woodsey Thomas

Get lost in Alma Woodsey Thomas’ abstract color field paintings, and use vibrant colors in your own artistic expressions!

Early Childhood Development

Listen to the rhythm of the words in the story “C is for City” by author and poet Nikki Grimes, recipient of the Coretta Scott King Award and the NCTE Award for

Excellence in Poetry for Children

Design an alphabet page of your own using your favorite letter, based on the vivid illustrations by Pat Cummings, recipient of the Coretta Scott King Award.

Science: Honoring Dr. Roger Arliner Young

Join us as we honor the work of the first African American woman to earn a doctorate degree in zoology.

THE SMITH CENTER**Remembering Luther: "The Night I Fell in Love"**

February 16 - 18, 2018

TICKET PRICES: \$40

VENUE: Myron's Cabaret Jazz

The incomparable music of eight-time Grammy winner Luther Vandross shattered barriers, shaped lives and made fans nationwide believe in the “Power of Love.” Now you can experience his greatest hits live in “Remembering Luther: The Night I Fell In Love,” starring Abraham McDonald, winner of Oprah Winfrey’s nationwide singing competition “Karaoke Challenge.” This exhilarating, up-tempo musical revue relives the songs that made Vandross a household name and a permanent fixture in the Great American Songbook, including chart-topping hits like “Never Too Much” and “Power of Love/Love Power,” plus classic covers like “If This World Were Mine” and “A House Is Not A Home.” Join us as we look back on how many of your favorite love songs came to be.

LaShai Reid - The Sisterhood of Song 2

Sun, February 11, 2018 at 2:00 PM

TICKET PRICES: \$25

VENUE:

Myron's Cabaret Jazz

In conjunction with Black History Month, LaShai Reid returns to Myron's Cabaret Jazz stage in a sequel to her triumphant show last February, "The Sisterhood of Song". In "The Sisterhood of Song 2" she will celebrate 16 more female singers of African-American heritage who made significant contributions to the soundtrack of our lives, including Natalie Cole, Gladys Knight and Audra McDonald. Frank LaSpina narrates the fascinating life stories of these exceptional singers. Proceeds benefit The Musical Arts Scholarship Program....

Johnny Mathis - The Voice of Romance Tour

Fri, February 23, 2018 at 7:30 PM

TICKET PRICES: \$33 - \$175

VENUE:

Reynolds Hall

Celebrating his 62nd year in the music industry, legendary singer Johnny Mathis is Columbia Records longest-signed artist. A sublime vocalist whose approach to pop music eclipses passing fads and trends, Mathis has performed songs in an incredible variety of styles and categories -- from music composed for stage and film to golden era jazz standards, contemporary pop hits, and holiday music, all of which has assured his reputation as one of the most enduring vocalists in music history. This highly anticipated tour coincides with the release of Mathis' new box set, featuring his classic melodies, unreleased songs and his newest album, "Johnny Mathis Sings the Great New American Songbook," featuring his versions of hit songs by Leonard Cohen, Bruno Mars, Adele, Pharrell, Whitney Houston and more....

WEST LAS VEGAS LIBRARY THEATRE

Black Weekend 2018: Kemit in the Desert Series

A Three-Day Cultural Program

Thursday, Feb. 22 | 7 – 10 p.m.

Lecture Topic: The Global Black Presence

Featuring: Dr. Runoko Rashidi

He is an historian, writer and public lecturer with a pronounced interest in the African foundations of humanity and civilizations and the presence and current conditions of Black people throughout the Global African Community. He is particularly drawn to the African presence in India, Australia and the islands of the Pacific. To date he has lectured in fifty-five countries. There will be a short Q&A along with cultural celebrations reflective of the African diaspora including dancing, music, spoken word and affirmations reflecting African American Heritage.

Friday, Feb. 23 | 7 – 10 p.m.

Lecture Topic: African History, Civilization, Religion and Culture

Featuring: Professor Ashra Kwesi & Professor Merira Kwesi

Join us in celebrating leading voices that represent the vast range of the black experience by welcoming Ashra and Merira Kwesi. Their lecturers on are "par excellence". They present lively and dynamic multi-media productions and videos and conduct African centered tours to Egypt and Ethiopia. Based on their study and travel, they reveal startling and profound information on the African origin of many of the concepts and symbols now utilized by the western world.

Saturday, Feb. 24 | 2 – 5 p.m.

Community Class & Workshop

Lecture Topic: A Black Actors view of Hollywood/Tribute to our ICON

Featuring: Mr. Antonio Fargas Lecturer, Actor, Director, Producer

Antonio Juan Fargas an American actor known for his roles in 1970's movies, as well as his portrayal of Huggy Bear in the "Starsky and Hutch" TV series. Mr. Fargas has over 129 film and TV credits to his name. Continuing in his role as a social activist, Mr. Fargas will discuss Black Hollywood now and then, offering his experiences as a backdrop.

This series is cosponsored by Like It Is Radio, Nia Productions, Platinum Productions, Power 88 FM, and the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District.

SPRINGS PRESERVE

Event Information

- Date & Time: Saturday, Feb. 17, 2018, 10am-4pm
- Location: Springs Preserve
- Admission: \$5 adult, \$3 child, free for age 2 and under

Bronze, Silver State Pass, Gold and Platinum members receive free admission (2 adults, and up to 6 kids under age 18)

- RSVP: No reservations required. But we do recommend purchasing tickets in advance to avoid a sell-out risk.

We're celebrating the contributions of African-Americans to our community with music, food and dance at our annual Black History Month Festival.

Enjoy live music and dance performances, soul food from local restaurants, cultural art and gift items, a historic Black Las Vegas photo exhibit, activities for the kids including arts and crafts, carnival games and face-painting, and more!

From Black Kings & Queens Exhibition & Reception (all ages)

Artist Frank McBride, Sr.

Meet-the-Artist Reception, Saturday, Feb. 4, 2-5 p.m.

Feb. 4 – March 25; center open Wednesday-Friday, 9 a.m. – 7 p.m.; Saturdays, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Gallery hours vary; call 702-229-4800 for best information. West Las Vegas Arts Center, 947 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 702-229-4800.

Black History Month Luncheon (ages 50+)

Wednesday, Feb. 8, 11:30 a.m. Cost: \$7.

Derfelt Senior Center, 3343 W. Washington Ave., 702-229-6601.

Celebrate Black History Month with your neighbors. Entertainment will be provided. Registration open through Feb. 3 or until full. Advance registration required. Call 702-229-6601 to register.

Goodtime Fish Fry (all ages)

Thursday, Feb. 9, 11 a.m. Cost: \$7 per person.

Doolittle Senior Center, 1930 N. J St., 702-229-6125.

Annual fish fry for the community. Advance registration is required; space is limited.

Film – "The Birth of a Nation" (2016)

Hosted by Keith Brantley. Saturday, Feb. 11, 2:30 – 5:30 p.m. Free and open to the public.

West Las Vegas Arts Center, 947 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 702-229-4800.

"The Birth of a Nation" is a 2016 American period-drama film based on the story of Nat Turner, the enslaved man who led a slave rebellion in Southampton County, Virginia, in 1831. The film is co-written, co-produced and directed by Nate Parker (in his directorial debut) and stars Parker as Turner, with Armie Hammer, Aja Naomi King, Jackie Earle Haley, Penelope Ann Miller and Gabrielle Union in supporting roles. For more information, call 702-229-4800.

38th Annual Mid-Day Inspirational Showcase & Luncheon (all ages for showcase; 50+ for soul food luncheon)

Tuesday, Feb. 14, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost: \$8 per person for luncheon; showcase is free and open to the public. Doolittle Senior Center, 1930 N. J St., 702-229-6125.

This annual inspirational showcase at the West Las Vegas Library Theatre, 951 W. Lake Mead Blvd., features singing, dancing, poetry and guest speakers followed by a soul food luncheon at the Doolittle Senior Center. Advance registration required for luncheon by Feb. 1.

Black History Essay Contest Banquet (all ages)

Friday, Feb. 17, 6 to 8:30 p.m. Free for essay contest entrants; \$5 for everyone else.

East Las Vegas Community Center, 250 N. Eastern Ave., 702-229-1515.

Celebrate the Black History Month Essay Contest participants with family and friends at the fourth annual banquet. Call 702-229-1515 for information and registration. Registration will be open through Feb. 13.

The Poets' Corner (ages 17+)

Hosted by Keith Brantley. Friday, Feb. 17, 7 p.m. Free and open to the public.

West Las Vegas Arts Center, 947 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 702-229-4800.

A monthly forum for established poets and open-mic participants featuring the best local talent.

Jester Hairston Music Association NANM Concert (all ages)

Celebrates Its 24th Anniversary: "Let the Church Say Amen." Saturday, Feb. 18, 4 to 5:30 p.m.

West Las Vegas Arts Center, 947 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 702-229-4800.

The National Association of Negro Musicians (NANM), founded in Chicago in 1919, is a historical organization that supports and promotes all styles of music but especially music that has been composed and/or performed by those of African-American descent. The Jester Hairston Music Association was founded July 1992. It was then chartered as the Las Vegas Nevada Branch at the NANM National Convention Aug. 3, 1992.