

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. LIBRARY A collaboration between the City of San José and San José State University

Fact Sheet

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. – Dr. King's Legacy 2011

January 15, 2011 marks the 82st anniversary of the birth of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., renowned civil rights leader and tireless advocate for equal opportunity. Our celebration honors the memory of Dr. King, while examining his legacy and the ongoing struggles of people everywhere to realize the fulfilment of his dream in their own lives and those of their children.

PURPOSE

- Renew awareness of our country's historical treatment of civil rights issues
- Reawaken the passion for social and economic justice embodied in the life work of Dr. King
- Inspire new leadership in the ongoing effort to achieve full implementation of the vision
- Introduce the life and ideals of Dr. King to a new generation and to new immigrants

LIBRARY RESOURCES

- King Civil Rights Collection, 3rd Floor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library
- Cultural Heritage Center, 5th Floor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library
- SJSU Special Collections & California Room

SPONSORED BY

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Legacy Committee Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library

CO-SPONSORED BY

- SJSU African American Faculty & Staff Association
- African American Heritage House
- Fairmont Hotel, SJ
- Community Arts and History Support
- SJSU Library Cultural Heritage Center Advisory Board
- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Association
- Golfland
- House of Sankofa
- Jaliya, Inc.
- San Jose Peace & Justice Center
- Silicon Valley Arts Council
- Santa Clara Valley Chapter African American Employees of Intel, Corporation
- SEIU 521 Latino Caucus
- Africana Advisory Board

"Issues, Efforts and Dynamics Promoting the Dream of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr."



A multi-faceted celebration of the enduring legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

HIGHLIGHTS

Fri., Jan. 14, Noon

Ceremonial Cake Cutting

Sat., Feb. 5, Noon Freedom March

Sat., Feb. 16, 7 p.m.

The Role of Students in Advancing Civil Rights

March 2011

Dr. King & Cesar Chavez: A Common Legacy

See over for schedule. For more information:

sjpl.org/MLKCelebration

or call (408) 808-2098

SCHEDULE of ACTIVITIES

Fri., Jan. 14 – Noon-2 p.m. MLK Library, 1st & 3rd Floors

"Happy Birthday Dr. King"

A welcoming ceremony by Jaliya, followed by a cake ceremony kicked off by remarks from local officials, featuring community members sharing their personal experience of the struggle for civil rights.

Fri., Jan. 14 – 4-5 p.m.

MLK Library, Children's Room, 1st Floor

Arts and Crafts: Jeli-Tyme Doll Making

Join Jaliya and friends as they teach children to make their own dolls. Ages 5 and up.

Sat., Feb. 5 – 11 a.m.-2 p.m. MLK Library, 4th St. Lobby

Resource Fair

Local organizations will on on-site to hand out information about their services to the community.

Sat., Feb. 5 - Noon-2 p.m. SJSU campus starting from MLK Library, 4th St. Lobby

Freedom March

Demonstrate support for the ideals of Dr. King and for achieving social change using non-violent methods. **Sat., Feb. 5** – 2-4 p.m. MLK Library, 5th Floor – Rooms 255/257

Liberation Theology: Critical Need to Revitalize the Black Church

A panel will present information regarding the black church during the civil rights movement in comparison with its present status and where it needs to be to reflect the dream of Dr. King.

Tue., Feb. 8 – 7-9 p.m. MLK Library, 5th Floor – Room 525

Relevance of Dr. King's "Letter from the Birmingham Jail" to Churches

A panel will provide extensive dialog regarding the interpretation of Dr. King's message in his letter to churches regarding empowering congregations to seek justice while on earth.

Tue., Feb. 15 – 7-9 p.m. MLK Library, 5th Floor – Room 525

Dr. King's Contributions to Freedom, Peace, Equality, Education and Justice

A panel presentation discussing Dr. King's contributions to and influence on the following areas: freedom, peace, equality, education and justice.

Wed., Feb. 16 – 7-9 p.m. MLK Library, 5th Floor – Room 525

The Role of Students in Advancing Civil Rights

A panel of students recollects the role of students during the civil rights movement.

Tue., Feb. 23 – 7-9 p.m. MLK Library, 5th Floor – Room 525

Dr. King's Views on Violence Nonviolence and Racism

The presentation will provide an assessment of Dr. King's perspective regarding violence, nonviolence and racism.

Thurs., Mar. 24 – 7-9 p.m.

San Jose Peace and Justice Center, 48 S. Seventh Street, San José

Dr. King and César Chávez: A Common Legacy

A panel will examine how the struggles and movements of Dr. King and César Chávez shared common methods and goals towards social justice and equality.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library

150 E. San Fernando Street San Jose, CA 95112

All events are FREE and open to the public.

For more information please call (408) 808-2098

Media Contact:

Francis Howard (408) 808-2098 Francis.Howard@sjsu.edu