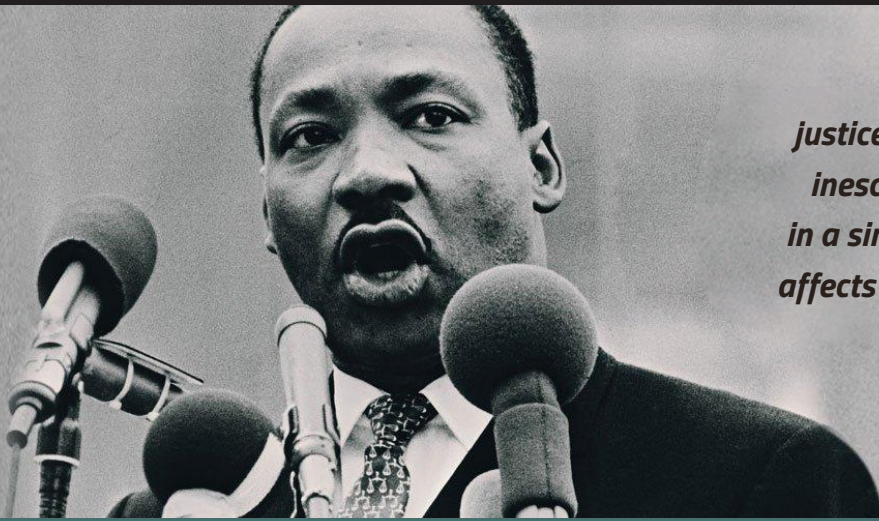


DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY



"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly."

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Letter for Birmingham Jail,

April 16, 1963

Preparing Future Leaders

SMSU MLK DAY PROGRAM

Monday, January 18, 2021 via Zoom

OPENING MUSICAL PERFORMANCE

8:30 am ■■■ Kim Brown

- *Lift Every Voice and Sing (Black National Anthem)*
- *Oh, Happy Day*
- *With My Whole Heart*

WELCOME MESSAGE

9:00 am ■■■ Dr. Kumara Jayasuriya, President of Southwest Minnesota State University

PROGRAM INTRODUCTION

9:10 am ■■■ Dr. Aimee Shouse, Dean of Arts, Letters & Science, and
Dr. Raphael Onyeaghala, Dean of Business, Education, Graduate & Professional Studies

SPOKEN WORD

9:20 am ■■■ SMSU Student Performance

MLK HUMANITARIAN AWARD

9:25 am ■■■ Presented to Dr. Jeff Kolnick

KEYNOTE SPEAKER INTRODUCTION

9:35 am ■■■ Dr. Jeff Kolnick

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Courageous Conversations

9:45 am ■■■ SMSU Alumni Dr. Arnold Bell '96 & Mr. Sedric McClure '94

--Dr. Arnold Bell is Professor of Communication at the College of Southern Nevada

--Sedric McClure is Assistant Dean in the Department of Multicultural Life at Macalester College

CLOSING REMARKS

11:10 am ■■■ Dr. Erin Kline and Jackye Alene Meba

CLOSING MUSICAL PERFORMANCE

11:20 am ■■■ Kim Brown

Thank you for attending!

Service Opportunity

MLK DAY DONATION DRIVE

Food and Personal Care Items for the Mustang Market

Donations accepted now through Tuesday, January 19

at the Center for Civic Engagement, BA 161
or the Office of Diversity & Inclusion, Commons East
Monday-Friday, 8:00am-4:30pm

ITEMS MOST NEEDED

- Toothpaste
- Shaving cream
- Razors
- Diverse Hair Care items (pick combs, curly hair [4A or higher] products)
- Facial Wash and Moisturizer
- Fragrance-Free Personal Care Products, including: body wash, shampoo, conditioner, etc.
- Cleaning Products: laundry detergent, dish soap, household all-purpose cleaners
- Tampons and other feminine hygiene products
- Winter Hats, Scarfs, Mittens, and Socks
- Wash Cloths/Towels
- Can openers
- Non-Perishable Food

If you find yourself in need, RSVP by Noon on Jan. 19 for the Mustang Market Distribution Day on Wednesday, January 20, 2021. Sign-up for a pick-up time here: bit.ly/MustangMarketAppointment

MLK Day at SMSU

The Office of Diversity and Inclusion is proud to celebrate our 5th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service event. The focus of the event emphasizes the values of social and racial justice, values at the heart of Dr. King's work.

Dr. King also emphasized the power of service to create social change in one's community, the power of service to further the cause, and the power of service in the name of God.

This year we introduce the MLK Humanitarian Award. This award is presented to Dr. Jeff Kolnick in recognition of active, meaningful and uplifting advocacy that aligns with Dr. King's work to dismantle racial, economic, and social injustice. The award was presented prior to MLK Day by Jefferson Lee IV to Dr. Kolnick.

We would like to extend our personal thanks and gratitude to everyone who agreed to support this event. We are especially grateful to Kim Brown for her musical performance! Thank you to Dr. Bell and Dean McClure for sharing their passion for Dr. King's work, and for contributing to his work as they influence and awaken social justice leaders.

Special Thanks

Event Committee

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