

JAMES FARMER MULTICULTURAL CENTER ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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2022-2023 Cultural Awareness Series

Cross-Cultural Barbeque	Thursday, August 25 4 pm Ball Circle, UMW Fredericksburg Campus
Latino Identities Month Major Performance: De Tierra Caliente Latin Band	Thursday, September 22 7 pm The Underground, Lee Hall
Disability Awareness Month Major Speaker: Rachel Loria	Thursday, October 13 7 p.m. Chandler Chandler A/B Ballroom, Rucker University Center
GSMA Celebration Major Speaker: James "Stress" O'Leary	Wednesday, October 19 7 p.m. Chandler Ballroom C, Rucker University Center <i>Register to attend via Zoom</i>
Taste of Asia	Sunday, October 23 4 pm Chandler Ballroom, Rucker University Center
Asian Cultural Celebration Major Performance: Di Dim Sae Korean Traditional Art	Thursday, October 27 7 p.m. Dodd Auditorium, George Washington Hall
Native American Cultural Major Speaker: Chief Charles Bullock, Patawomeck Tribe	Thursday, November 10 7 p.m. Chandler Ballroom C, Rucker University Center
Jewish Cultural Celebration Major Speaker: Delegate Eileen Filler-Corn	Thursday, November 17 7 p.m. Chandler Ballroom C, Rucker University Center
Kwanzaa Celebration	Wednesday, November 30 6 p.m. Chandler Ballroom, Rucker University Center
The University of Mary Washington Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Keynote Speaker: Attorney Tara Murray	Wednesday, January 18 7 p.m. Chandler Ballroom, Rucker University Center
Black History Month Major Speaker: Wisdom O. Cole	Wednesday, February 8 7 pm Chandler Ballroom C, Rucker University Center
Step Show Competition	Saturday, February 18 7 pm Dodd Auditorium, George Washington Hall
Women's History Month Major Speaker: Dr. Gayatri Sethi	Wednesday, March 15 7 pm Digital Auditorium, Hurley Convergence Center
33rd Annual Multicultural Fair	Sat., April 1 10 am-5 pm rain or shine UMW Fredericksburg campus
Islamic Cultural Celebration Banquet Speaker: Sumayya Tobah	Thursday, April 6 7 pm Chandler Ballroom, Rucker University Center
Passover Seder	Monday, April 10 6 pm Chandler Ballroom C, Rucker University Center

For information about upcoming events and programs at the James Farmer Multicultural Center, visit our website at students.umw.edu/multicultural or follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram!



2022-2023 Human Rights Film Series

As part of our ongoing commitment to social justice and honoring the legacy of Dr. James Farmer, the James Farmer Multicultural Center proudly presents the Human Rights Film Series. This year, the Human Rights Film Series will focus on the uncomfortable truths of our United States history. Join us as we discuss human rights through the lens of stories that are often avoided or omitted from our history books altogether.

The Last Colony

Monday, September 19 | 5 pm
Colonnade Room, Rucker University Center

Our Fires Still Burn

Tuesday, November 1 | 5 pm
Chandler Ballroom A/B, Rucker University Center

Teach Us All

Thursday, February 2 | 5 pm
Colonnade Room, Rucker University Center

Hawaii: The Stolen Paradise

Wednesday, March 8 | 5 pm
Chandler Ballroom A/B, Rucker University Center



2022-2023 Citizenship Award for Diversity Leadership

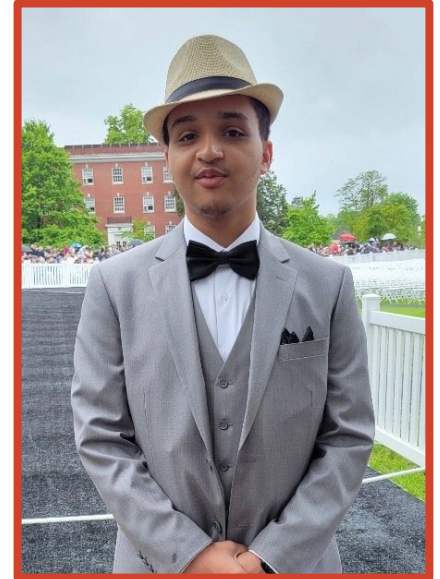
Cameron Washington

Cameron Washington is a senior majoring in Communications and minoring in Digital Studies. Originally from Tappahannock, Virginia, he currently resides in Richmond and plans to work in User Interface and eventually Mortuary work after completing his undergraduate studies. Part of his career path in Mortuary work is driven by his desire of serving people in a time of need, especially during times of grief, as well as continuing the legacy of his late father, who was also a mortician.

Throughout his time at Mary Washington, Cameron has been involved with many multicultural and social justice clubs and events. He currently serves as president of Brothers of a New Direction (BOND), as well as serving as secretary of Voices of Praise. In addition, he is a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) College Chapter. Being active with these clubs and organizations has given him the opportunity to enjoy educating and engaging with his peers and uplifting the culture of Black people. He has also participated in various other social justice activities, including the Social Justice Fall Break Trip of 2019, Social Justice and Leadership Summits, Human Rights Film Series events, and volunteered at multiple MLK Day of Service activities. Through these endeavors, Cameron strives to make sure that students from marginalized communities are heard and advocated for on numerous issues.

Cameron's other leadership positions include serving as a Diversity Peer Educator/Farmer Fellow. This year, he was promoted to student co-coordinator of the program. In this role, he serves to educate and enhance awareness in competency on cultural diversity, inclusion, equity, and social justice topics for fellow students. As a student co-coordinator, Cameron plays a significant role in developing curriculum materials for diversity education sessions, facilitating various diversity workshops, and assisting in the training of new Farmer Fellows to the program. He is also a student aide with the James Farmer Multicultural Center, where he has worked for almost 4 years.

Cameron is passionate about advancing the values of diversity, inclusion and social justice, and giving people of marginalized communities, especially Black people, a space to dialogue, network, and build coalitions with each other. In his final year here at Mary Washington, he plans to continue this involvement as the recipient of the 2022-2023 Citizenship Award for Diversity Leadership by creating more opportunities, events and safe spaces for people to learn more about each other, developing more awareness and appreciation of the differences and uniqueness individuals bring to the campus and society, and encouraging everyone to embrace the ASPIRE values that undergird the UMW community.



Latino Identities Month Major Performance: **De Tierra Caliente Latin Band**



Thursday, September 22 | 7 p.m.
The Underground, Lee Hall

De Tierra Caliente is a Latin fusion band whose music fills the air with bright colors and gets everybody up and dancing. Catchy melodies and unaffected lyrics fuse with Latin, Caribbean and Brazilian rhythms to inspire an irresistible North/South American party. Since its formation in 2014, this flavorful band from Philly and Puerto Rico has released 2 full-length albums and played hundreds of shows throughout the US, Colombia, Brazil and Puerto Rico.