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“The Global Impact of Africa: Reaching All Four Corners of the Earth”

NEIU Celebrates Black History Month

WHAT: Africa’s influence is everywhere, but still unknown by many. This year, Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU) will celebrate Black History Month by exploring the global impact of Africa. For a full listing of events, visit www.neiu.edu/~saffairs/blk_hist_mo.

All events are free and open to the public. Featured events include:

Hip Hop and its Worldwide Presence, a multimedia presentation by Lance Williams that examines the impact of Hip Hop on youth in the global community featuring DJ B-Side who will incorporate that latest hip-hop artists’ songs into the lecture.
Thursday, February 22, 10 a.m. – Student Union Building, Alumni Hall

Health Issues in the African American Community, a discussion by Lance Williams about health issues that affect people of African descent in the U.S. including diabetes, asthma, hypertension, and depression.
Thursday, February 8, 1:40 p.m. – LOCATION TBA

Black History Month opening activities, featuring an interactive performance by S.O.U.L. Creations
Thursday, February 1, 12 p.m. – Student Union Building, Cafeteria

“African Global Presence” keynote presentation and discussion by Runoko Rashidi a historian and expert on the global African presence and the African foundations of world civilizations.
Thursday, February 1, 1:40 p.m., Student Union Building, Golden Eagle Room; 7 p.m., Jacob Carruthers Center for Inner City Studies, 700 East Oakwood Boulevard in Chicago

Lecture: Modern Day Arab Slave Trade of Africans, by Nate Clay
Tuesday, February 20, 7 p.m. – Jacob Carruthers Center for Inner City Studies, 700 East Oakwood Boulevard in Chicago

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Opening Reception for Glimpse/Stare, a display by painter Rhonda Wheatley and sculptor Isaac Duncan III
Friday, February 9, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. – Fine Arts Center Gallery

WHERE: Northeastern Illinois University, 5500 North St. Louis Avenue in Chicago (Use campus entrance located at 3701 West Bryn Mawr Avenue.)

WHEN: Events take place throughout the month of February. Visit www.neiu.edu/~saffairs/blk_hist_mo for complete event listing and details.

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