

Diversity at UGA

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A message from Cheryl D. Dozier

The Office of Institutional Diversity continues to promote campus-wide diversity through a myriad of events that you will read about in this newsletter. We kicked off this semester by celebrating the 47th anniversary of UGA's desegregation with the annual Holmes-Hunter Lecture on January 9. That event was immediately followed by the overflow turnout for the fifth annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Freedom Breakfast where our own alum, Justice Robert Benham, came back to UGA to deliver the keynote. Numerous diversity-related activities are going on during the celebrations of Black History Month in February and Women's History Month in March, as well as the upcoming Native American and Indigenous Studies Conference to be held on this campus in April.



As we work toward a more inclusive campus, we are impressed with the large number of diverse students around the state who have applied to the University for fall admission. We are working extremely hard to increase the number of need-based scholarships available to students who are admitted to UGA but cannot afford to attend. President Adams made this a major priority in his 2008 State of the University message when he pledged "to have an enhanced focus on financial aid for economically disadvantaged students regardless of ethnicity." We need everyone to help us in achieving this.

A major goal of the university is to increase our supplier diversity and we are pleased to co-sponsor the Minority & Small Business Expo on March 7. The expo is a joint effort with the

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Thurmond calls for unity on anniversary of UGA desegregation

Georgia Department of Labor Commissioner **Michael Thurmond** urged students and others in the audience for the 23rd annual Holmes-Hunter Lecture to "reach beyond your comfort zone" to build alliances with people of all races, colors and creeds.

Noting that his lecture was being delivered on the exact date that **Hamilton Holmes** and **Charlayne Hunter** (later Hunter-Gault) arrived on campus in 1961, Thurmond mixed humor and eloquence to recount the story of how the two became the first African Americans to gain admission to UGA, calling particular attention to the key roles of the janitor who managed to smuggle application forms to them and the 300 white faculty members who signed a petition demanding that they be returned to campus after being suspended—"for their own safety," according to university officials at the time—following a student-led riot.

Thurmond, who grew up in Athens and initially attended segregated schools, was a trail-blazer himself when, in 1986, he became the first African American elected to the Georgia General Assembly from a majority white district since Reconstruction and then went on to win a statewide office.

Thurmond pointed out that it took three tries to win his state house seat and that success finally came when he reached beyond his African-American constituents and asked people of all demographics to vote for him.



Thurmond delivers Holmes-Hunter lecture on exact date of UGA's 1961 desegregation.

Four receive awards at annual Freedom Breakfast

Four members of the university and local community received the 2008 President's Fulfilling the Dream Awards for community service during the 5th annual Freedom Breakfast co-sponsored by UGA, the Athens-Clarke County Government and the Clarke County School District.

This year's award recipients were **Patricia Clifton**, recognized for her work with UGA's Young Scholars Program, which offers pre-collegiate opportunities for minority students; **Derrick Floyd**, a former UGA basketball player honored for his 15 years of service with the Boys & Girls Clubs; **Robert Hill**, an associate professor in UGA's



2008 award winners are (l-r): Floyd, Clifton, Sherman and Hill.

College of Education, who has helped showcase issues of the university's LGBT community; and **Esther Sherman**, a project architect at the UGA physical plant, who has devoted time to numerous causes, from mentoring Hispanic students to working for Hands-On Athens and other groups.

Student News



David Williams, director of UGA's Honors Program, speaks with Rhodes Scholars Shah and Vyborny after the announcement.

UGA in elite company with two 2008 Rhodes Scholars

The selection of University of Georgia senior **Deep Shah** of Duluth and 2005 graduate **Kate Vyborny** of Washington, D.C. as 2008 Rhodes Scholars makes UGA the only public university in the country with more than one Rhodes Scholar this year. Only six other institutions—Harvard, Columbia, St. Olaf, Chicago, Stanford and Princeton—had more than one student among this year's 32 Rhodes recipients.

UGA now boasts a total of 21 Rhodes Scholars—six of those since 1996. Vyborny is UGA's second female Rhodes Scholar since 1976, the first year women were eligible.

"This remarkable accomplishment proves that UGA students are competitive with students anywhere," said UGA President **Michael F. Adams**. "It also speaks to the quality of the Honors Program, which challenges the students and prepares them for success in the classroom and in these scholarship competitions."

Both Shah and Vyborny came to UGA as participants in the Honors Program's Foundation Fellows Program and took full advantage of the travel, research and internship opportunities afforded them during their student careers. In addition to their Rhodes selection, Shah was named a 2007 Truman Scholar, while Vyborny received a fellowship with the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace following graduation.

Shah, who will graduate in May with bachelor's degrees in international affairs and biology, plans to pursue a master of science degree in global health science at Oxford.

Vyborny, who earned bachelor's degrees in economics and international affairs, now works for the Center for Global Development in Washington, D.C. She would like to complete a master of philosophy degree in development studies at Oxford.

This year, 764 students were endorsed by 294 colleges and universities. A total of 209 applicants from 98 schools reached the final stage of competition, from which the 32 scholars were selected.

Georgia Daze previews campus life

Again this spring, the student-run Georgia Daze program paired high school students from underrepresented groups with UGA freshmen for three days on campus to see what the Bulldog experience is all about.

Being students themselves, the hosts and planners of Georgia Daze have a unique insight on the concerns of college-bound students, says **Paige Jackson**, co-planning director of the program. "A lot of students hear so many things in the media and have all these ideas about what the university experience is, especially as a minority student, that they don't get a real idea about what it's like to come here," she says.

The high school seniors—who have been admitted to UGA—stay in residence halls, eat in the dining halls and



UGA host DeMarius Jackson (left) takes guest Glenn Newman to class.

go to classes with their hosts. They also attend information sessions on academics and student activities.

Since the program's inception in 2004, about 85 percent of participants have enrolled at UGA, Jackson says.

Byrd crowned 2007 Homecoming King

Dennis Byrd, a junior advertising major from Kennesaw, was crowned Homecoming King during halftime of the Georgia-Troy State football game in November. He was sponsored by Alpha Kappa Psi business fraternity.

Among Byrd's many campus activities, he has served as an orientation leader during summer 2007, helped organize a service learning trip to Thailand with the Global Engagement Learning Community, and assisted in supporting the Forever Young Campaign, which recruits college students to participate in the Athens-Clarke County Mentoring program.



Byrd and Homecoming Queen Natalie Webb celebrate after being crowned.

"To me the University of Georgia is a land filled with opportunity," said Byrd. "In my three years here, I have had the opportunity to go abroad, participate in different philanthropic events, take many exciting and challenging courses, and have fun!"

Student News

Luncheon honors UGA's first Coca-Cola Scholars

Twelve UGA freshmen who are the first in their families to attend college have been named recipients of the inaugural Coca-Cola First Generation Scholarship at UGA. The scholarships give the students \$5,000 a year for four years as long as they meet certain academic requirements. Thanks to a \$1 million gift from Coca-Cola, the scholarships will fund 50 UGA students over several years.



At a fall luncheon, Coca-Cola representatives **Scott Williamson** (left) and **Ingrid Saunders Jones** (middle) met with scholarship recipients (1st row, l-r) **Cara Russell, Geralee Corona, Linh Nguyen, Shital Lad, Cathy Nguyen,** (2nd row, l-r) **Ricky Patel, Jessica Tucker, Megan Aunchman, Anna Thorne, Cortney Ralston, Kayla Sullivan, and Edward Lilla.**

DC internship prepares Tripp for future political career

While other UGA students have returned to the classroom for spring semester, junior **Arthur Tripp Jr.** is currently giving tours of the Capitol building, responding to constituents' letters, and attending briefings. He is a part of a group of 15 participants in UGA's new Washington Semester Program, launched under the auspices of UGA's Office of the Vice President for Instruction.

Tripp, a political science and international affairs double major, says the Washington Semester Program is helping him familiarize himself with the political process so he can pursue a career in the field. Tripp aspires to serve in government—possibly as a future U.S. secretary of state. The D.C. program encompasses 12 credit hours of courses, 30-hour-per-week internships in congressional offices, think tanks or nonprofit organizations, and a range of cultural opportunities.

"Students should take advantage of this program because it is truly one of a kind," says Tripp, who is from Duluth. "To receive many hours of class credit and first-hand experience simultaneously is very rare when relating to the political field."

When on campus, Tripp serves on the Student Alumni Council of UGA's Alumni Association and has participated in the Institute for Leadership Advancement and other UGA leadership programs.



Tripp stands outside the office of U.S. Rep. David Scott where he is interning this semester.

UGA's NABJ chapter named 'Student Chapter of the Year'

UGA's chapter of the National Association of Black Journalists (NABJ) was named Student Chapter of the Year during the national convention held in Las Vegas in the fall. The honor was shared with the University of North Carolina.

UGA students **Geneva Greene**, former chapter president, **Mandi Woodruff**, current president, and **Tamara Best**, vice president, attended the four-day event that drew more than 2,000 journalists.

"The convention was an eye-opener for me," said Woodruff, a sophomore magazines and Spanish double major from Locust Grove. "I was also overwhelmed and pleased by the professional journalists' willingness to help us."

Guest speakers included Democratic presidential candidates Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama as well as some of the nation's premier African-American journalists such as Robin Roberts, news anchor for ABC's *Good Morning America*.

The convention featured workshops, a career fair and recruiters from graduate schools of journalism.

The award follows the success of the Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication chapter in mentoring high school students from Cedar Shoals High School in Athens. The chapter also held programs featuring the history and future of African Americans in journalism.

Hashmi wins presentation award

Sana Hashmi, a junior religion, microbiology and biology major from Martinez, received an award for her oral presentation in molecular biological sciences at the Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students held in Austin, Texas, in the fall. Under the guidance of UGA protein biochemist **Lance Wells**, she and graduate student **Stephanie Hammond** were the first to identify and locate the important structures on the protein *alphadystroglycan (aDG)*, which plays a key role in cancer metastasis.

Faculty & Staff News

Thomas named senior advisor

Kecia Thomas, who has been a psychology professor at UGA since 1993, has been named senior advisor to the dean for inclusion and diversity leadership in a newly created position in the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences. She previously served as interim director of the Institute for African American Studies and was honored in 2004 by the Office of Institutional Diversity for her diversity efforts at UGA. Thomas holds a doctorate in psychology from Penn State.



Dawkins to become associate dean

Accounting professor **Mark Dawkins** will become associate dean for academic programs in UGA's Terry College of Business when **Mel Crask** retires in April. Dawkins, who earned a Ph.D. from Florida State, was named the college's first director of diversity relations in 2004 and received the college's Outstanding Service Award last spring. He is also program director of the LEAD Summer Business Institute, which encourages rising seniors from underrepresented groups to pursue business careers.



Singh wins community award

UGA counseling professor **Anneliese Singh** recently received the Ramesh and Vijaya Bakshi Community Change Award from Raksha, a Georgia-based nonprofit organization. She was honored for her outstanding leadership and social activism in metro Atlanta's South Asian community, especially her clinical and research work on ending child sexual abuse in that area. Singh, who earned her Ph.D. in counseling psychology from Georgia State University, serves on the editorial board for the *Journal for Specialists in Group Work*.



Education dean steps down to resume teaching and research

After serving eight years as dean of UGA's College of Education, **Louis Castenell Jr.** stepped down Dec. 31 so that he could return to teaching and his research on adolescent achievement motivation.

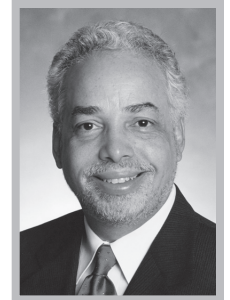
"This is the best job I've ever had," said Castenell, who came to UGA in 1999 from the University of Cincinnati, where he was also dean of the education college. "I am appreciative of the opportunity given me by the university, and I especially appreciate the generous support of faculty, staff and students in the college. Together we have launched this college into the 21st century."

Castenell, who is the longest-serving of UGA's 16 deans, also served from 2001-2002 as the founding interim associate provost for UGA's Office of Institutional Diversity. He will continue working to increase diversity by developing an outreach program called "UGA Bound." He will work with principals, teachers and counselors in Georgia's middle and high schools to help students in underserved populations qualify to attend UGA.

As dean of the second-largest academic unit at UGA and the largest nationally ranked education college in the country, Castenell reorganized the college's administrative structure and helped increase research funding and private giving. His tenure is also marked by the addition of new faculty and three undergraduate and six graduate programs at UGA's extended campus in Gwinnett County and a doctoral program in conjunction with Fort Valley State University.

Castenell is on the national faculty of the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education. In 2002, he received the Distinguished Alumnus in Higher Education Award from the University of Illinois, where he earned his doctoral degree. He also received the Leadership Service Award from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards in 2006.

Arthur Horne, an emeritus professor and former head of the department of counseling and human development services in the college, is serving as interim dean.



Annual conference addresses black issues in higher education

Keynote addresses by two widely recognized scholars in education, policy, leadership and program development highlighted the University of Georgia's annual Conference on Black Issues in Higher Education in February.

John L. Taylor, professor of educational leadership at the University of Arizona, and **Penny Ralston**, professor of family and child science at Florida State University, were featured at the conference sponsored by UGA's College of Education.

Taylor, who gave the opening address, is currently co-principal investigator of a two-year research project comparing the culture of student-athletes with those of general student populations. The study is co-sponsored by the National Collegiate Athletic Association and the University of Arizona.

Ralston, who was the luncheon keynote speaker, is a fellow of the Association of Gerontology in Higher Education and the Gerontological Society of America. Her research focuses on community-based programs for older adults, health promotion/nutrition education, issues affecting the minority elderly, and program development in higher education.

The daylong event included three panel discussions featuring several UGA faculty members on the topics of Blacks in Higher Education Leadership, Grant Writing and Dissemination of Research Results, and The Art of Teaching at a Research University.

Conference organizers included **Juanita Johnson-Bailey**, professor and graduate coordinator of adult education and women's studies, **Bettye P. Smith**, associate professor of workforce education, leadership and social foundations, and doctoral student **Donna Drake-Clark**.

Faculty & Staff News

African Perspectives marks 10th anniversary on WUGA radio

When *African Perspectives* marked its 10th year on the air in November, it was a notable anniversary for both the university's WUGA radio station and host **Akinloye Ojo**, who approached station officials in 1997 with a proposal for a show about African music and culture.

"It's something that's unique. I don't think there's anything else around like it," said WUGA program manager **Robb Holmes** of the show, now the second-longest-running locally produced show the station has ever broadcast.

Though his father had worked in radio and television in Nigeria for more than 30 years, Ojo had almost no radio experience. A native of Nigeria, Ojo was a doctoral student and cultural secretary of the African Students Union when he came up with the idea for the show. With a lively mix of African music and commentary and guest interviews, *African Perspectives* has built a loyal audience on WUGA, the local National Public Radio affiliate.

"We try not to get into controversial issues," said Ojo, who writes his scripts but does not prepare questions for guests, striving instead for spontaneity and informality. "We try to focus more on education about Africa and celebrating the good things about Africa."

Ojo, who received his Ph.D. in 2001, is currently an assistant professor in UGA's comparative literature department, specializing in African studies and the Yoruba language.

African Perspectives (www.uga.edu/wuga/african_perspectives.html) can be heard on Mondays at 4:30 p.m. on WUGA.



Akinloye Ojo (right), "African Perspectives" radio show host, and Michael Cardin, WUGA production manager and operations director, prepare a show.

Grant supports research on African-American families

A \$3.4 million grant from the National Institute of Mental Health will allow UGA researchers to translate a community-based program called Strong African American Families (SAAF) into a computer-based model for in-home delivery.

"This program would change the way a variety of professionals work with families," said **Velma McBride Murry**, chief investigator and a child and family development professor. "It could be used in various settings such as faith-based organizations and programs that focus on physical or mental issues."



The program is based on research conducted by Murry and her colleagues to determine why some African-American children who grow up in difficult circumstances in rural communities succeed despite those circumstances. Their findings have shown that youth self-discipline and particular parenting behaviors help reduce youth risk behaviors.

After developing a curriculum to enhance parenting behaviors, Murry and her colleagues began a longitudinal study of SAAF that has included the participation of more than 650 families since 2001.

Thompson coordinates Hispanic Scholarship Fund programs at UGA

Erin Thompson, a former employee of the Clarke County School District Migrant Education Program, is now serving as UGA's campus manager for the Hispanic Scholarship Fund (HSF). Thompson, who is bilingual, also has been involved with the Steps to College and Vamos a La Universidad programs at UGA.



Some members of inaugural cohort of HSF University Alliance Scholars pose with Erin Thompson (center).

Thompson also helped organize the 3rd annual Sigueme Shadow Day held in November, which gives Latino high school juniors and seniors a chance to spend a day on campus hosted by current UGA students. More than 70 students from high schools in Athens, Duluth and Gainesville participated this year.

Her HSF duties have included outreach and recruitment, plus working with 20 freshmen and 11 upperclassmen in the first cohort of HSF University Alliance Scholars at UGA. The scholarship program is funded by the Lilly Endowment.

Anderson supports student academic success in new job

In her new role as assistant director of the African American Cultural Center (AACC) and coordinator of student success programs at UGA, **Amy Anderson** advises and supports several student groups within AACC, including the Black Theatrical Ensemble, the UGA chapter of the NAACP, and the Black Educational Support Team (B.E.S.T.), a freshmen mentoring program. Anderson also coordinates retention programs that promote academic success and leadership development of multicultural and international students at UGA.

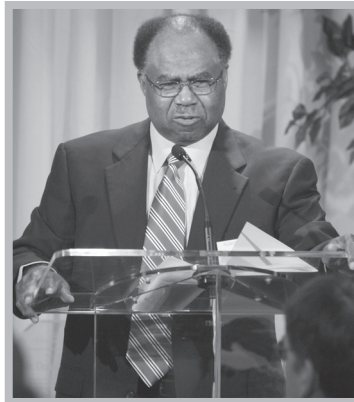
Alumni News

Benham urges big dreams

“If you’re going to dream, dream big enough”—that’s the message Georgia Supreme Court justice and UGA alumnus **Robert Benham** (JD ’70) delivered as keynote speaker at the fifth annual Freedom Breakfast held on campus in January.

“There is no excuse for not dreaming,” said Benham, the second African American to graduate from UGA’s School of Law and the first to serve as chief justice of the state Supreme Court.

Benham recounted memories of growing up with segregated schools, water fountains and department stores, as well as city council meetings his father couldn’t attend. He recalled being spat on while marching with King in the ’60s, only to revisit the same spot in Alabama 40 years later as a Supreme Court justice.



Pulitzer winner visits campus

Natasha Trethewey (AB ’89)—UGA English major, captain of the cheerleading squad and winner of the 2007 Pulitzer Prize for poetry—visited campus in January to read from her latest collection, *Native Guard*. But first she joined members of the current cheerleading squad for an impromptu calling of the Dogs.

The reading, which drew an appreciative crowd to the Student Learning Center, was sponsored by *The Georgia Review*, UGA’s noted literary journal.

Trethewey said a UGA history class inspired her to explore “the intersection of our public and private histories.” Among the poems she read was one called “Miscegenation,” which reflects on how her black father and white mother broke two laws in the state of Mississippi in the 1960s simply by conceiving her.

Burgess lands Broadway role

Athens native and UGA alumnus **Tituss Burgess** (BA ’01) has scored his biggest Broadway role to date as Sebastian the Crab in the new Disney production of “The Little Mermaid.” A UGA music major, Burgess sang the alma mater at the 2001 Commencement, then headed to a series of performing gigs—from dinner theater in Fort Myers, Fla., to a part in “The Lion King” production at Disney World. Moving to New York, he landed roles in the Beach Boys musical “Good Vibrations” and “Jersey Boys,” the musical biography of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons. As Sebastian, he sings the trademark songs “Under the Sea” and “Kiss the Girl.” Hear Burgess on his web site: www.titussburgess.com.



Photo courtesy of the Atlanta Journal-Constitution

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Minority Business Action Committee of the Athens Chamber of Commerce and UGA Finance and Administration for the purpose of boosting the number of minority and small businesses engaged in commerce with UGA.

The Office of Institutional Diversity continues to provide pre-collegiate outreach to historically underrepresented elementary, middle and high school students through campus visits and summer institutes. Currently, we partner with the Greensboro Dreamers Project from Greene County, and spring and summer programs will include public schools from Clarke and DeKalb counties, and Atlanta. We also continue to be very involved in the Peach State Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation, which aims to increase the number of underrepresented minority students statewide who complete undergraduate degrees in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

In the area of international outreach, several campus leaders will participate in the Multicultural Leadership Encounter to Guatemala in April, which will provide first-hand experiences in a country reflective of the changing demographics of Georgia. We are also getting ready for 51 cultural study abroad programs for the spring and Maymester to five countries in Africa, eight in Asia, three in the Caribbean, eight in South America and 15 in Central America.

One of the biggest challenges we continue to face as an institution is reframing diversity as strength. We must find ways to educate one another on issues of diversity and equity without placing blame and becoming defensive. We also need more financial resources to do this work and are pleased to have received a recent gift from Georgia Power to help us with new initiatives and existing programs.

We cannot change history but we can move forward. Together we can find ways to make UGA a more inclusive campus at all levels.

Campus News

Diversity Advisory Council named

A 36-member Diversity Advisory Council made up of administrators, faculty, staff and students has been named by the Office of Institutional Diversity and charged by Provost **Arnett Mace** to develop a UGA Diversity Action Plan with recommendations for implementation by all campus units. Members of the Diversity Advisory Council are listed at right with their UGA affiliation.

In addition, seven administrators will serve as ex-officio members and be available as consultants. They include the directors of UGA's institutes for African American and Native American studies, and representatives from human resources, legal affairs, student affairs, the president's office and OID.

Diversity Advisory Council Members:

- Jorge Atiles, Family and Consumer Sciences
- Juanita Johnson-Bailey, Education
- Bob Boehmer, Institutional Effectiveness
- Eric Bonaparte, Minority Business Development
- Joe Broder, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences
- José Buitrago, Environment and Design
- Anthony Capomacchia, Pharmacy
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- Melissa Shivers, Intercultural Affairs
- Kecia Thomas, Arts and Sciences
- Amrita Veliyath, Student Government Association
- Barbara White, Information Technology
- Carla Williams, Athletic Association
- Susan Williams, Veterinary Medicine
- Kojo Mensa-Wilmot, Arts and Sciences

Conference encourages students in the STEM disciplines

The Peach State Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation, funded by the National Science Foundation, held its second annual Fall Research Conference at the University of Georgia in 2007. The theme was "Building Bridges to Careers and Opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)."

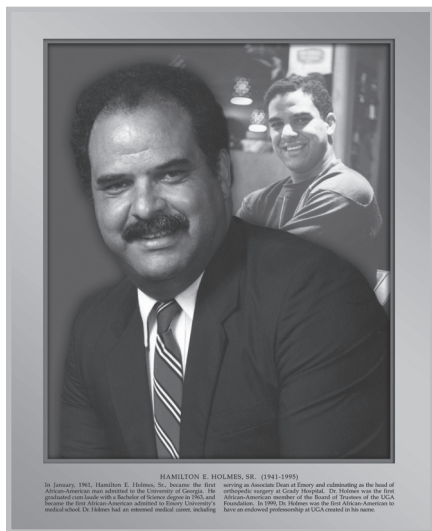
Students from participating universities across the state had the opportunity to present their research in both oral and poster presentations and to attend professional development seminars. Among those winning awards for their presentations was **Afua Asante**, a UGA sophomore majoring in biology who hopes to go on to medical school. She saw an ad for the conference and decided to apply to the program.

The 2008 fall conference will be hosted at Savannah State University. For more information about the program, contact Executive Director **Ernest L. Brothers** at ebrother@uga.edu.

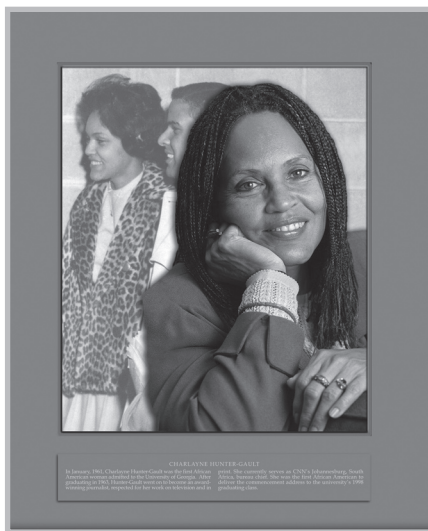


Cheryl Dozier congratulates Afua Asante on her award-winning presentation.

Portraits of trail-blazers hang outside Office of Institutional Diversity



Hamilton Holmes



Charlayne Hunter-Gault



Mary Frances Early

UGA's Office of Institutional Diversity held an unveiling ceremony in September for portraits of the trail-blazing African-American students involved in desegregating UGA in 1961. The portraits are now prominently displayed outside the OID office in the Holmes-Hunter building.

Upcoming Events



Carter G. Woodson

Black History Month: Carter G. Woodson and the Origins of Multiculturalism

The 2008 theme honors Carter G. Woodson, who is considered the “Father of Black History” and a multiculturalism pioneer. He

founded the Association for the Study of Negro (now African American) Life and History in 1915 and published more than 16 books, including *The Mis-Education of The Negro*. The African American Cultural Center and other UGA units are hosting lectures, films, performances and other events in celebration of Woodson’s ideals.

Details: www.uga.edu/aacc or 706-542-8468.

Women’s History Month March 2008: Women’s Art : Women’s Vision

Details: www.uga.edu/iws or 706-542-2846.

Women’s Studies Friday Speaker Series

3/7: *The [Female] Citizen: Selling a Story of [Islamic] Suffrage in the West*

3/21: *The Cover Song as Resistance: Tori Amos and the Songs of Men*

3/28: *Salt Marsh of the Spirit: Process Theology and Gay Spirituality*

4/11: “Great Words Teach...”: *Learning to Resist in Sophocles’ Antigone*

4/18: *Doing Biography: Reflections from a Black Feminist Scholar*

12:20-1:10 p.m., Student Learning Center, Room 148.

R.E.A.L. Talk, Intercultural Dialogue Series

3/4: *Which Box Do I Check? Growing Up Bicultural, Biracial, Multicultural*

3/25: *Do You Kiss Your Mother with That Mouth? Misogyny and the Music Industry*

4/8: *Do My Actions Speak Louder Than Your Words? Disability in the Diversity Dialogue*

6-8 p.m., Tate Student Center, Room 137; 4/8 event in East Campus Village Fireside Lounge.

UGA Minority and Small Business Expo

All vendors welcome to develop contacts with UGA units and local agencies. 3/7, 8 a.m.-noon, Georgia Center for Continuing Education. Details and pre-registration: www.busfin.uga.edu/procurement.

Franklin College Diversity Lecture

Sponsored by UGA’s Franklin College of Arts and Sciences, lecture features Peggy McIntosh, associate director at Wellesley Center for Research on Women. 3/19, 7 p.m., University Chapel.

One-Woman Show: Cloris Leachman

3/22, 8 p.m., Ramsey Concert Hall, Performing Arts Center. Details: 706-542-2836.

An Evening with Judge Glenda Hatchett

In conjunction with School of Social Work’s annual African American Families Conference, this event features best-selling author Hatchett, who presides over syndicated show *Judge Hatchett*. 3/27, 7 p.m., Georgia Center for Continuing Education, Mahler Auditorium. Details: kmsmith@uga.edu.

Women, Hip Hop and Social Change

Sponsored by UGA’s Institute for African American Studies, Institute for Women’s Studies, and the Graduate School, the event features Layli Phillips, professor of women’s studies at Georgia State. Reception following. 3/27, 7-9 p.m., Student Learning Center, Room 171.

Black Poets Lean South symposium

With Toi Derricotte and Cornelius Eady, founders of Cave Canem, nation’s first workshop/residency program for African-American poets. 4/3, 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m., University Chapel. Details: www.cba.uga.edu.

Spoken Word Artists: Brave New Voices

4/2, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall Ballroom. Details: mspinfo@uga.edu or 706-542-5773.

Native American and Indigenous Studies Conference

UGA’s Institute of Native American Studies hosts second scholarly meeting exploring possibility of creating academic association for researchers in Native American and indigenous studies. 4/10-12, Georgia Center for Continuing Education. Details: www.instituteofnativeamericanstudies.com.

10th International Street Festival 2008

Sponsored by UGA’s International Student Life Office, festivities include cultural displays and performances. 4/12, downtown Athens on College Ave. noon-5 p.m. Details: 706-542-5867.

2008 Graduations

Lavender Graduation: 4/26, 2 p.m., Memorial Hall Ballroom. Details: www.uga.edu/lgbtcenter.

International Student Life Graduation: 5/9, 3-5 p.m., Memorial Hall Ballroom. Details: 706-542-7911.

African American Cultural Center Rite of Sankofa: 5/9, 7 p.m., University Chapel. Details: 706-542-8468.

For more events, see www.uga.edu/mastercalendar.

To join the Office of Institutional Diversity listserv, go to www.listserv.uga.edu, click on browse, and type in UGA-DIVERSE-L to find list and subscribe.



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