



In the Community, January 15, 2021

A Weekly Listing of Diversity and Multicultural Events
From the Alliance for Cultural and Ethnic Harmony:
 "Diversity, Unity, and Justice Are at the Heart of ACEH"

ACEH was founded in Holland in 1999 and is committed to justice, equal opportunity, cross-cultural understanding, and appreciation for diversity. Members work together to make West Michigan a place where all people are welcomed and respected. "In the Community" is also on the ACEH website www.harmonyalliance.org Check us out under Groups on Facebook, at ACEH – Alliance for Cultural and Ethnic Harmony.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr -Related Events, Sunday and Monday

Sun, Jan 17, 2021, 3 pm to 6 pm: Celebrate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr and help continue his work by taking part in this free **Virtual Community Forum. "Racial Disparities in Health Care: Let's Talk About It."** The event will include music by Maple Avenue Ministries ensemble and a recitation of Dr. King's words on health and racism.

Panelists and people attending will discuss impact of racism in four sectors, concluding with The Way Forward toward proposed solutions. Sessions cover **Inequities in Elder Care; Disparities in Childbirth; Mental Health: Race Matters; and Healing Our Youth.** Presented by the Alliance for Cultural and Ethnic Harmony (ACEH) in collaboration with the 1Cor.13Project and in partnership with the Holland Museum's Cultural Lens Series. **Registration required (choose 2 break-out sessions). We would appreciate your registration by the close of today, Friday, January 15. [Click here for link to Register](#)**

Mon, Jan 18, 9 am to 6 pm: Virtual DEI Day event, hosted by Downtown Holland on its Facebook page "To examine diversity, equity, and inclusion issues related to Downtown Holland and to engage the local community in the conversation as Downtown Holland strives to become a place where all members of the community and all visitors are invited, welcome, and engaged." **Event is free; go online to www.facebook.com/downtownholland** to view the presentations listed below (a Facebook account is not required to attend):

---**9 am:** Live discussion with DEI panelists Robyn Afrik (Ottawa Co), Esther Fifelski (City of Holland), Gloria Lara (LEDA), and Jeffrey Sorenson (OOTL).

---**Noon:** Prerecorded interviews with downtown business owners and representatives.

---**3 pm:** Live discussion with panelists from downtown nonprofits: Sara Cozolino (Farmers Market), Sara DeVries (Herrick District Library), and Ricki Levine (Holland Museum).

---**6 pm:** Prerecorded interviews with downtown business owners and representatives.

Mon, Jan 18, 10 am to 5 pm: "How Would You Change the World?" MLK Day at the Holland Museum. Free family event offering virtual resources, in-person activities, and MLK Activity Kits. Check the website at www.hollandmuseum.org Sponsored by Spectrum Health Zeeland Community Hospital and Warner Norcross + Judd.

Mon, Jan 18, 12:30 pm: "What Is the Color of Compromise?" In celebration of **MLK Day**, the Calvin January Series speaker will be **Jemar Tisby, author of the award-winning book "The Color of Compromise: The Truth About the American Church's Complicity in Racism."** Tisby is president of The Witness: A Black Christian collective, where he writes about race, religion, and culture; he also co-hosts the podcast "Pass the Mic," which amplifies dynamic voices for a diverse church. Free, virtual presentation. [Click here for the link.](#)

Mon, Jan 18, 6:30 pm: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration, virtual event featuring "The Legacy of MLK: Purpose, Truth and Justice," by Yamiche Alcindor, White House correspondent for the PBS NewsHour and political contributor for NBC and MSNBC. Presented by Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids Community College, and Davenport University. [Register here](#)

Mon, Jan 18, 7 pm EST; 6 pm CST: "Living an Abolitionist Life: Resistance, Creativity, Intersectionality, & Black Joy," with keynote speaker Dr. Bettina Love and musical performance by Griot B in "Agitate: A Story Through Song." Sponsored by African Heritage, Inc., Lawrence University, and Fox Cities MLK Celebration Committee. [Click here to Register](#)

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