



Black History Month Essay Contest Award Recipients and Sponsors

and African American history. Dr. Burgos' work analyzes the incorporation of players from the Spanish-speaking Americas into U.S. professional baseball to illuminate the working of baseball's color line. His interest in race and baseball integration further explores what it means to be black and brown in the United States.

**\*THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27**  
6:00pm  
**Black History Month Essay Contest Awards Reception**  
Fairview Elementary School  
500 W. 7th Street

Parents, teachers, siblings, friends and community members are invited to join Mayor Mark Krizan as he presents awards to the authors of the winning 2014 Black History Month essays. Awards will be presented in the Elementary, Middle and High School levels. Join us in supporting these budding authors and historians. Refreshments will be served. For additional information contact [bhmessay@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:bhmessay@bloomington.in.gov).

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28**  
(Postmarked Date)  
**Blacks in Government Essay Contest Deadline**

**Theme:** Celebrating African American Inventors  
**Topics:** Daniel Williams, Valerie Thomas, Claude Steele, Jesse Russell and Patricia Bath

**Select one (1) of the inventors.**  
Essays should include a biography of chosen inventor. Highlight the person's education, invention, career, challenges, and how their invention contributed to the better of the human race.

**Minimum essay length for the following grades:**  
Grades 4th-6th: 250 Words  
Grades 7th-9th: 350 Words  
Grades 10th-12th: 500 Words

All essays should be typewritten and should not exceed not exceed the maximum length of 1,500 words. Each essay shall be typewritten.

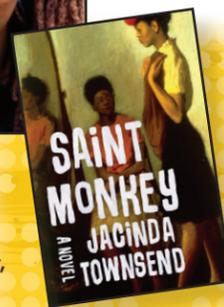
**Title Page:** The title page for each essay shall include (1) student's name, (2) grade, (3) school, (4) teacher, (5) teacher's email address, (6) parent's names, (7) phone number, (8) home address, and (9) parent's email address.

**Mail essays to:**  
ATTN: Tawana Mimms  
Blacks in Government, Unit One  
P.O. Box 677, Crane, IN 47522-0677

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28**  
5:00-7:00pm  
**Release Party for Saint Monkey, debut novel by Jacinda Townsend**  
Indiana Memorial Union, Federal Room

Celebrate the release of this exciting new novel at this 50's themed release party. Enjoy jazz, historical photography and great food.

Fourteen-year-old Audrey Martin, with her Poindexter glasses and her head humming the 3/4 meter of gospel music, knows she'll never get out of Kentucky—but when her fingers touch the piano keys, the whole church trembles. Her best friend, Caroline, daydreams about Hollywood stardom, but both girls feel destined to languish in a slow-moving stopover town in Montgomery County. That is, until chance intervenes and a booking agent offers Audrey a ticket to join the booming jazz scene in Harlem—an offer she can't resist, not even for Caroline. And in New York City the music never stops. Audrey flirts with love and takes the stage at the Apollo, with its fast-dancing crowds and blinding lights. But fortunes can turn fast in the city—young talent means tough competition, and for Audrey failure is always one step away. Meanwhile, Caroline sinks into the quiet anguish of a Black woman in a backwards country, where her ambitions and desires only slip further out of reach.



*"This is a breathtakingly insightful, suspenseful, and gorgeously realized novel of cruelty and sorrow, anger and forgiveness, improvisation and survival, and the transcendent beauty of nature and art."*

— Donna Seaman,  
Booklist, Starred Review

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### City of Bloomington Black History Month Event Sponsors

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2014 Community-wide Calendar of Events

*Bloomington Style:*  
**Hoosier Heroes in History & Culture**



CITY OF BLOOMINGTON



**EVERY MONDAY**  
**Bring It On!** • 6:00-7:00pm  
 WFHB Radio – 91.3 and 98.1 FM

**B**ring It On! is a one-hour weekly public affairs program exploring the people, issues and events affecting African American communities beginning with South Central, Indiana. *Bring It On!* seeks to facilitate open and constructive dialogue among African Americans and the communities where they reside.

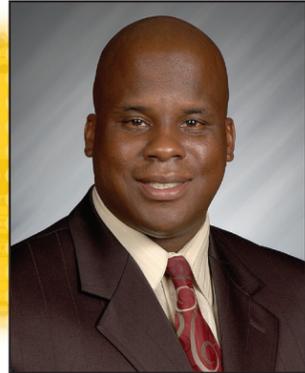
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3**  
**12th Annual African American Read-in**  
 10:00am-1:00pm  
 Neal-Marshall Black Culture Center  
 275 N. Jordan

The IUB 12th Annual African-American Read-In Chain is part of a national event that was started in 1989 by the Black Caucus of the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE). It consists of a group of people coming together and reading works by authors of African descent or sharing original works about the Black experience. In that tradition, IUB invites local high school students to share their favorite authors and/or original works. They will be part of the National African American Read-In Chain and join over a million people around the country celebrating the works of Black authors. Following the African American Read-In there will be a college panel. For additional information contact nmgrad@indiana.edu or call 812.855.9271.

**\* MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3**  
**City of Bloomington Black History Month Kick-off and Reception**  
 Showers City Hall Council Chambers  
 401 N. Morton Street  
 Reception: 5:30 pm  
 Program: 6:30 pm

Attorney Jimmie L. McMillian will kick-off the City's 10th annual celebration of African American history and culture. Mr. McMillian is a partner in Barnes & Thornburg LLP's Indianapolis office and a member of the Litigation Department. Jimmie received a B.A. degree in 1998 from Indiana University-Bloomington. He received his J.D. degree in 2002 from the Indiana University School of Law-Indianapolis. In 2005, he received Barnes & Thornburg's Pro Bono Attorney of the Year Award and the Honorable Carr L. Darden Leadership Award. In 2006, he was rec-

ognized by *The Indiana Lawyer* as one of 10 "Up and Coming Lawyers" and received the publication's Leadership in Law Award. Mr. McMillian is a graduate of the 2011-2012 Inaugural Leadership Council for Legal Diversity (LCLD) fellowship program.



Mr. McMillian is a member of the Indiana Bar Association, the Indianapolis Bar Association (IBA), and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. He serves as an instructor for the IBA Bar Review Course and has taught Criminal Law and the Multistate Performance Test to aspiring attorneys. Since 2004, Mr. McMillian has been a featured speaker and annual participant with the 100 Black Men/Jack and Jill Beautification Millitary Program, where he has addressed issues such as domestic violence, date rape and drunk driving. During the interactive presentations, he has encouraged over 500 young African-American males to make the right decisions.

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6**  
**Over a Cup of Tea: "Black and Yellow, Black and Yellow: Black Power and Asian American Leftist Activism"**  
 5:00-6:00pm  
 IU Neal-Marshall Black Culture Center  
 Bridgewater Lounge

The Civil Rights/Black Power movements (the Black Panther Party in particular) influenced much of the radical grassroots activism of Asian Americans in the 1960s. Although much of the Asian American movement was based in large part in nationalism, the Black Panther Party either worked in coalition with Asian American groups or Asian American groups modeled some of their methods and ideology after the Panthers. The discussion will be moderated by Associate professor, Jakobi Williams, Department of African American and African Diaspora Studies and Department of History.

**ALL EVENTS** are open to the public and are **free** unless otherwise stated. **City sponsored events are indicated with\***

This event is part of Indiana University's Black History Month events and is sponsored by the IU Asian Culture Center and the Neal Marshall Black Culture Center.

For more info, please email acc@indiana.edu or call 856-5361.

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8**  
**Bloomington Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. 5th Annual Pancake Breakfast**  
 8:00-10:30am  
 Longhorn Steakhouse Restaurant  
 721 South College Mall Road  
 Tickets: \$5.00 Children under 5 eat free

Bloomington Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will host its fifth annual fundraising pancake breakfast. In an effort to promote literacy, the Bloomington Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is partnering with Habitat for Humanity. We ask that you bring any new or gently used books for all ages to Longhorn Steakhouse on this day to share with families. Members of the community can obtain tickets from any Bloomington Alumnae Chapter member or tickets can be purchased at the door. All proceeds raised support scholarship, public service, and community programming.

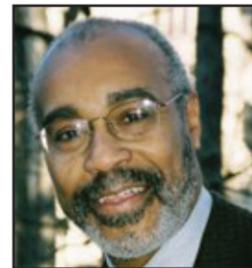


**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 • 6:00pm**  
**Black History Month Concert**  
 Second Baptist Church  
 321 N. Rogers Street  
 812-336-5827



**\* SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 • 2:00pm**  
**Black History Month ~ Bloomington Style: Cardinal Stage's The Whipping Man**  
 Ivy Tech John Waldron Arts Center  
 122 S. Walnut Street  
 812-336-9300 (Box Office)  
 Discounted Ticket price: \$19.50 (normally \$26.50 – use promo code: HISTORY)

Join us for an afternoon at the theater for Cardinal Stage Company's *The Whipping Man* followed by a talk-back with the actors led by Dr. John McCluskey.



It is April 1865. The Civil War is over and Caleb DeLeon, a young Jewish Confederate officer, returns to Richmond to find his family's home in ruins. Caleb is greeted by two of his family's former slaves – one who raised him, and one who was raised with him. As the three men wait for signs of life to return to the city, they uncover secrets from their past and begin to adjust to the new world around them, the characters grapple with the meaning of freedom. The three Jewish men share an uneasy, improvised Seder to mark Passover, they discover that, though they are no longer tied by ownership, they remain bound by faith, history and explosive secrets.

Produced in association with the Jewish Theatre of Bloomington.

Parking is available in Parking Garage on the South side of 4th Street.

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15**  
**An Evening of Social Graces**  
 Reception: 6:00pm and Dinner: 6:30pm  
 Sponsors: Monroe County Branch NAACP, IU CLIP Program

Evening of Social Graces is a culminating formal Gala for youth in Bloomington who have participated in a series of workshops focused on etiquette and personal presentation. Youth ages

12 and older are invited to participate in a social graces education program which consists of two workshops on February 8th & 14th culminating with the final gala – An Evening of Social Graces. Seating is limited so reservations must be made in advance for the gala by contacting nmgrad@indiana.edu or 812.855.9271. For additional information or to register please contact nmgrad@indiana.edu or call 812/855-9271.

**\* SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22**  
**Black History Month Gala**  
 Hilton Garden Inn, 245 N. College  
 Reception & Silent Auction  
 Opening: 6:30pm  
 Doors Open: 7:00pm

Celebrate with friends and neighbors at this elegant evening of dinner and dancing. The evening includes live music, a silent auction and the presentation of the 2014 City of Bloomington Living Legend and Outstanding Black Male Leader of Tomorrow Awards. Tickets on sale January 31st at the BCT Box Office. The BCT Box Office is located at 114 E. Kirkwood Avenue or on the web at www.buskirkchumley.org.



2013 Gala Award Recipients

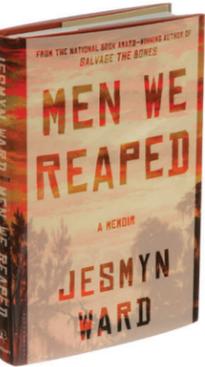
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23 • 2:00pm**  
**College Goal Sunday**  
 Ivy Tech Community College –  
 Bloomington Campus  
 200 Daniels Way

College Goal Sunday is a FREE help session to assist families with completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). All

colleges and universities require this form to be considered for financial aid programs. For additional information and other locations go to www.collegegoalsunday.org.

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23**  
**Women of Color Book Club**  
 3:00-4:15pm  
 Panera Bread  
 322 S. College Mall Rd

Members of the Women of Color Book Club invite you to join them for a discussion of Jesmyn Ward's *Men We Reaped: A Memoir*. All are invited to join the conversation. Happy reading! For additional information contact Autumn T. Harrell at atharrel@indiana.edu



**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23 • 3:00pm**  
**Black History Month Program**  
 Second Baptist Church  
 321 N. Rogers Street  
 812-336-5827

Guest speaker: Carolyn Calloway-Thomas studies intercultural communication, African American communication, intersections between empathy and conflict, and pedagogy and civic engagement. She is currently president of the World Communication Association and president of the Bloomington Faculty Council at Indiana University. She is author of *Empathy in the Global World: An Intercultural Perspective* (2010), co-author of *Intercultural Communication: a Text/Reader* (2007) and *Intercultural Communication: Roots and Routes* (1999) and coeditor of *Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Sermonic Power of Public Discourse* (1993).

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26 • 7:00pm**  
**"From Minnie to Clemente to Yasiel Puig: Afro-Latinos and the Enduring Problem of Race in America's Game"**  
 Neal Marshall Black Culture Center  
 Free Admission  
 Sponsor: Neal-Marshall Black Culture Center and La Casa/Latino Cultural Center

Talk by Dr. Adrian Burgos from University of Illinois (Champaign-Urbana) who specializes in US Latino history, sports history, urban history,