

**WE ARE NOT  
INVISIBLE**

**2019**

**BLACK  
HISTORY  
MONTH**

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**Taste of Soul**

Dr. Rik Stevenson, Professor of African American Studies  
Russel H. Kirkhof Center, Pere Marquette, Room 2204  
12:00PM-1:30PM \*LIB100/201\*

A presentation on the significance and importance of Black History Month and it's transition from Negro History Week. This presentation will include an exhibit of the experiences of several Black students through their own artistic lens; followed by a Taste of Soul which includes a presentation on the scraps that African-American people were given to feed themselves.

**Grand Rapids Riots**

George Bayard, Executive Director of Grand Rapids African-American Museum  
Russel H. Kirkhof Center, Room 2270  
12:00PM-1:00PM \*LIB 100/201\*

A presentation and discussion on the Grand Rapids Riots of 1967 that occurred as a result of deep racial tensions, discrimination, and lack of opportunity for people of color.

**Talk Back Tuesday**

Russel H. Kirkhof Center, Center for Women and Gender Equity (1247)  
12:00PM-1:00PM \*LIB 100/201\*

A conversation on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault in the Black Community.

**Positive Black Women Valentines Celebration**

Russel H. Kirkhof Center, Grand River Room  
12:00PM-1:00PM \*LIB 100/201\*

Hosted by the Positive Black Women Affinity group to give honor and recognition to those that have made a way and shaped "our" history. All are welcome to attend.

**Celebration of Gospel**

Cook-Dewitt Center  
3:00PM \*LIB 100/201\*

A musical tribute to Black Gospel with a reflection on the impact it has had on the African-American community.

**02.01 Get Yo Mind Right**

Latrece McDaniel, Coordinator of Multicultural & Diversity Initiatives at Grand Valley State University  
Russel H. Kirkhof Center, Room 2263  
6:00PM-7:30PM

A discussion on the mental wellbeing of students of color with strategies to identify when you should seek help.

**Conversations of Color**

Russel H. Kirkhof Center, Room 1240  
12:00PM-1:00PM \*LIB 100/201\*

A discussion involving the treatment of African-American women within health care and how they are constantly ignored and fatally suffering as a result.

**Black Islam in the United States**

Russel H. Kirkhof Center, Room 2263  
12:00PM-1:30PM \*LIB 100/201\*

A presentation that explores the history of Black Islam in the United States and the impact that Black Muslims have had in American culture. Black Muslims have played an important role in several areas including sports, music, and business. Special attention will be paid to the rich history of the Black Islam in Michigan.

**Building Your Brand**

Holton Hooker Living Center, Multipurpose Room  
7:00PM-8:30PM

A panel discussion on how to create a personal brand of integrity as well as an entrepreneurial brand. Panelists include successful African-American entrepreneurs.

**Black Girls Rock!**

Russel H. Kirkhof Center, Pere Marquette  
6:00PM-8:00PM

An award ceremony that honors some of Grand Valley's influential Black women professionals.

**02.12**

**02.14**

**02.17**

**BLACK FILM FRIDAYS**

Movie & Discussion

**School Daze**

Russel H. Kirkhof Center, Area 51  
Movie: 12:00PM-2:00PM  
Discussion: 2:00pm-3:00pm

**02.08**

**Lean On Me**

Russel H. Kirkhof Center, Room 1240  
Movie: 12:00PM-2:00PM  
Discussion: 2:00PM-3:00PM

**02.15**

**Moonlight**

Russel H. Kirkhof Center, Room 1247  
Movie: 12:00PM-2:00PM  
Discussion: 2:00PM-3:00PM

**02.22**



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