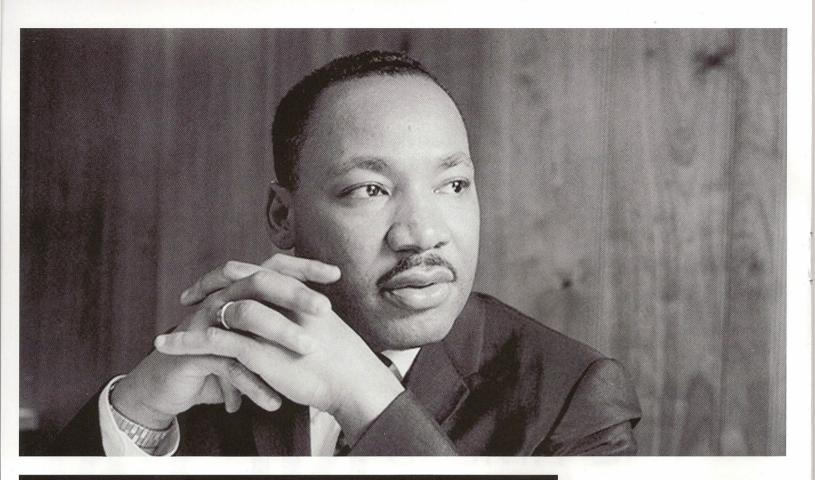
# A DREAM DEFERRED THE TIME IS NOW

The 35th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Keynote Lecture

January 18, 2016 | Memorial Hall University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill



### ABOUT THE MLK CELEBRATION

UNC's MLK Jr. Celebration is part of a campus-wide initiative to honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., his legacy, and his ideals. Carolina began its celebrations of Dr. King's life and legacy in 1983. UNC is the only university to be awarded the "Making of the King Holiday Award" by the former MLK Federal Holiday Commission. UNC-Chapel Hill engages in honoring King's legacy through several efforts: MLK Celebration and Committee; MLK University and Community Corporation; and the UNC MLK Scholarship Program for UNC juniors. The MLK Celebration is under the direction of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs and is developed by the University MLK Celebration Committee of student leaders and faculty and staff advisers.

#### ABOUT THE MLK THEME, "A DREAM DEFERRED, THE TIME IS NOW"

What happens to a dream deferred? Does it dry up Like a raisin in the sun? Or fester like a sore--And then run? Does it stink like rotten meat? Or crust and sugar over-like a syrupy sweet? Maybe it just sags like a heavy load. Or does it explode?

> Langston Hughes, "Harlem" from Collected Poems

This year's theme, "A Dream Deferred: The Time is Now," aligns with UNC-CH's mission to foster research, scholarship, and creativity and reflects on the importance of learning, thinking, and working together in advancing scholarship, promoting social justice, leading change, and transforming the world.

In the spirit of unity, the organizations and offices that make up the University MLK Celebration Committee are committed to collaborating on projects and programs in an effort to enrich the MLK Celebration experience for the campus and surrounding Chapel Hill-Carrboro community.

### **Lecture & Awards Program**

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Jordan Peterkin '17 MLK Celebration Co-Chair, Diversity and Multicultural Affairs

**HEED Award Presentation** 

Lenore Pearlstein Publisher, INSIGHT Into Diversity Owner and President, Potomac Publishing, Inc.

Dr. Taffye Benson Clayton Associate Vice Chancellor for Diversity and Multicultural Affairs & Chief Diversity Officer

#### MLK Scholarship Presentations and Unsung Hero Awards

Dr. Marco Barker Senior Director for Education, Operations, and Initiatives, Diversity and Multicultural Affairs

Sharbari Dey Assistant Director, Education and Special Initiatives Diversity and Multicultural Affairs

> Madrid Smith '18 Ebony Readers Onyx Theatre

**Keynote Introduction** 

Spoken Word

Ami Patel '18 Diversity Co-Chair Carolina Union Activities Board

#### Keynote Lecture with author and activist Dr. Marc Lamont Hill

**Closing Remarks** 

Cameron Congleton '17 MLK Celebration Co-Chair Diversity and Multicultural Affairs

- Private Reception Follows -

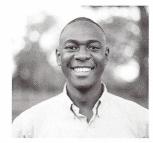
# **MLK Scholarship Recipients**



#### Vanessa Canuto

Political Science & Women and Gender Studies, Durham, NC

A junior from Durham, NC, Canuto is the President of Omega Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., a McNair Scholar, a Buckley Public Service Scholar, a Delta Advocate for the Greek Alliance Council, a volunteer at the Carolina Cupboard Food Pantry and the Carolina Women's Center, and, a representative for Carolina at the ACC Student Leadership Symposium. Her interests are centered on creating a safe and equal space for all students at Carolina where they can feel empowered in sharing their story. She plans to obtain a JD/PhD and enter a career in social justice litigation.



#### **Bradley Opere**

Business Administration, Nairobi, Kenya

A junior from Nairobi, Kenya, Opere is a Morehead Cain Scholar, the policy chair for the Multicultural Affairs and Diversity Outreach (MADO) committee in Student Government, a member of the Student Diversity Forum and Carolina, and a finalist representing UNC in the Clinton Global Initiative Hult Prize competition. Opere's primary goal is to promote social consciousness in both government and business agencies that often put profit and recognition before people and the planet.

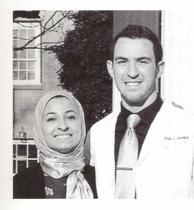


#### Emilie Kadhim

Global Health & Geography, Raleigh, NC

A junior from Raleigh, NC, Kadhim volunteers with the UNC School of Medicine, department of Pediatrics where she assists in research on adolescent vaccination rates and integration of technology into modern medicine. She also uses her knowledge of five languages in gathering multilingual data for the UNC School of Medicine to advance scholarly knowledge about disparities in media coverage of liver diseases. Kadhim works to support herself through earning dual degrees at Carolina and plans to acquire graduate degrees in Public Health (epidemiology), and Medicine.

### **Unsung Heroes: Deah Barakat & Yusor Abu-Salha**

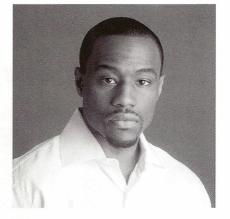


Deah Barakat was a second year student at the UNC School of Dentistry and Yusor Abu-Salha was admitted to attend UNC Dentistry School in Fall of 2015 after graduating from NC State. Yusor, in addition to her academic pursuits, engaged friends and peers in multiple community service projects: feeding the homeless, organizing health fairs and travelled to Killis, Turkey where she volunteered at a dental clinic for Syrian refugees. Deah, also passionately committed to the cause of helping refugees, especially children, was in the process of raising resources for a service trip with his peers to Reyhanli, Turkey to provide dental services, supplies and medicines to refugees displaced by the Syrian conflict through Project Refugee Smiles.

Their commitment to global social justice and service has continued to inspire many in the Carolina community to be part of the bridge building legacy that they leave behind. Learn more about projects honoring Deah and Yusor on the Project Lighthouse website at https://projectlight.house/

# Keynote Speaker: Dr. Marc Lamont Hill

Dr. Marc Lamont Hill is one of the leading intellectual voices in the country. He is the host of HuffPost Live and BET News, as well as a political contributor for CNN. He is the former host of the nationally syndicated television show *Our World With Black Enterprise* and a political contributor to Fox News Channel. An award-winning journalist, Dr. Hill has received numerous prestigious awards from the National Association of Black Journalists, GLAAD, and the International Academy of Digital Arts and Sciences.



Dr. Hill is a Distinguished Professor of African American Studies at Morehouse College. Prior to that, he held positions at Columbia University and Temple University.

Since his days as a youth in Philadelphia, Dr. Hill has been a social justice activist and organizer. He is a founding board member of My5th, a non-profit organization devoted to educating youth about their legal rights and responsibilities. He is also a board member and organizer of the Philadelphia Student Union. Dr. Hill also works closely with the ACLU Drug Reform Project focusing on drug informant policy. Over the past few years, he has actively worked on campaigns to end the death penalty and to release numerous political prisoners.

In 2011, Ebony Magazine named him one of America's 100 most influential Black leaders.

Dr. Hill is the author of three books: the award-winning Beats, Rhymes and Classroom Life: Hip-Hop Pedagogy and the Politics of Identity; The Classroom and the Cell: Conversations on Black life in America; and The Barbershop Notebooks: Reflections on Culture, Politics and Education. He is currently completing two manuscripts: 10 Right Wing Myths About Education; and Written By Himself: Race, Masculinity, and the Politics of Literacy.

#### ABOUT HEED

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill was one of the recipients of the 2015 Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) Award from INSIGHT Into Diversity magazine, the oldest and largest diversity-focused publication in higher education. As a recipient of the annual HEED Award — a national honor recognizing U.S. colleges and universities that demonstrate an outstanding commitment to diversity and inclusion — Carolina was one of the institutions of higher education featured in the November 2015 issue of the magazine.



The only national higher education diversity award

"The HEED Award process consists of a comprehensive and rigorous application that includes questions relating to the recruitment and retention of students and employees — and best practices for both — continued leadership support for diversity and other aspects of campus diversity and inclusion," said Lenore Pearlstein, publisher of INSIGHT Into Diversity. "We take a holistic approach to reviewing each application in deciding who will be named a HEED Award recipient. Our standards are high, and we look for institutions where diversity and inclusion are woven into the work being accomplished every day across a campus."

#### Sunday, January 17

6:00 PM | 30th Annual University/Community MLK Memorial Banquet | William and Ida Friday Center for Continuing Education *MLK University and Community Planning Corporation* 

#### Monday, January 18

7:00 AM | Day of Service 5K – "The Time is Now" | Old Well, UNC *Carolina R.O.C.T.S. (Rejuvinating Our Community Through Service)* 

9:00 AM | Rally, March, and Worship Service | Franklin Street Post Office Chapel Hill-Carrboro and UNC-CH chapters of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)

7:30 PM | Keynote Lecture and Awards with Dr. Marc Lamont Hill | Memorial Hall Diversity and Multicultural Affairs and Carolina Union Activities Board

9:00 PM | Private Reception with Dr. Marc Lamont Hill | Gerrard Hall Mu Zeta Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity & the Interfraternity Council

#### Tuesday, January 19

6:00 PM | Workshop on Anti-Blackness | Campus Y 209 Student Government and Asian Student Association

#### Wednesday, January 20

5:00 PM | Whose Shoes Am I Walking In? | Queen Anne Lounge, Campus Y Carolina Union Activities Board, UNC Hillel, Greek Alliance Council & Disability Advocates

#### Thursday, January 21

7:00 PM | What's an All-American Muslim? | Student Union Auditorium *Campus Y, the Muslim Student Association, Student Government* 

#### Friday, January 22

6:00 PM | I Have a Dream Campaign | Student Union Gallery I Have a Dream Campaign Committee

#### Sunday, January 24

5:00 PM | Dar He: The Story of Emmett Till | Stone Center Auditorium *Campus Y* 

For more information about the MLK schedule of events, please visit diversity.unc.edu/mlk

#### ABOUT DIVERSITY AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS (DMA)

DMA serves as an advocate in promoting diversity and inclusion, shaping University diversity related policies, and executing University diversity goals. Through the efforts of our staff, and in collaboration with campus and community partners, DMA acts as an institutional and educational resource to support the University's mission by leading efforts to conceptualize, assess, and cultivate diversity and inclusion.

#### **ABOUT CAROLINA UNION ACTIVITIES BOARD (CUAB)**

The Carolina Union Activities Board (CUAB) is a university-sponsored organization responsible for large-scale event programming at Carolina. CUAB enhances life at Carolina through high-quality programming and events for the entire University community. These include films, art, music, entertainment, and more.

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Thank you from the UNC Martin Luther King Celebration Committee





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