



The Oregon Historical Society  
is proud to sponsor,  
in cooperation with  
Portland Public Schools,  
classroom presentations  
in celebration of  
Martin Luther King's Birthday  
and  
Black History Month.

## Martin Luther King Birthday Holiday Observance Set At Red Cross

The Red Cross will observe its annual national holiday celebration of the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on Wednesday, January 17, 1990, from noon to 1 p.m., at the Red Cross Building, 3131 N. Vancouver Ave.

All staff, volunteers, families, friends and neighbors of Red Cross are invited to attend a short program honoring Dr. King's inspiring life and exceptional achievements.

The guest speaker, attorney Clifford N. Carlsen, Jr., who volunteered his services to the Civil Rights cause in 1964 in Mississippi, will recall the dramatic events of the time from a perspective of "25 years later." Rev. Joe S. Hardie, pastor at St. Marks Baptist Church, and Albina Ministerial Alliance president, will also be on the program. Dr. Henry Greenidge of Irvington Covenant Church, will provide music.

Essays, drawings and poetry drawn from Dr. King's life have been contributed for display by teenage students enrolled in the Red Cross "Pathways" program. Local artist Oliver Tracy is lending his well-known sculpture of Dr. King for the event.

REMINDER: On Monday, Jan. 15, 1990, take the opportunity to give the gift of life by donating blood on the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Holiday. Donate blood in

Dr. King's memory at the O.B. Williams Convention Center, 220 N.E. Beech Street, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Albina Ministerial Alliance is sponsoring this first-

ever community-site bloodmobile. Become a memorial blood donor. Sign up today with your church recruiter or call Christine Robinson at the Albina Ministerial Alliance, 285-0493.

## National Museum of American History Honors the Memory of Martin Luther King Jr.

In commemoration of the birthday of the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History will present "Of Songs, Peace and Struggle" on Saturday, Jan. 13, 1990, from 1 to 4:30 p.m. in Carmichael Auditorium. Scheduled events include a lecture, song workshop and special docent-led tour.

This marks the seventh year that the museum has presented a series of programs which examine the various cultural aspects and non-violent strategies associated with the Civil Rights Movement.

"The African American Church: Fuel of the Freedom Struggle" is the title of a lecture (1-2 p.m.) and song workshop (2-2:30 p.m.) featuring Dr. Wyatt Tee Walker,

who once served as administrative director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and as a public information officer for King.

Today, Walker is a Civil Rights Movement activist, community organizer, author, educator, preacher and senior pastor of the Canaan Baptist Church of Christ in the Harlem neighborhood of New York City.

His work for social justice continues with his current activities in the international peace movement and the struggle against apartheid in South Africa and Namibia. And, travels extensively as Commissioner of the World Council of Churches' Program to Combat Racism.

After the lecture, Walker will lead the audience and a choir in singing traditional hymns, which have historically been used by African-Americans during protests, as well as the Movement's "freedom songs." The community choir, formed specifically for this workshop, will be directed by Evelyn Simpson-Curenton.

Following the song workshop, a museum docent will lead a tour (3:30-4:30 p.m.) through the museum, highlighting objects and exhibitions that are related to the history of social change in America.

"The African American Church: Fuel of the Freedom Struggle" is presented by the museum's Program in African-American Culture. The day's events are free and open to the public. Early arrival is recommended due to limited seating. For more information, call (202) 357-4176 (voice) or 357-1729 (TDD--telecommunications device for the deaf).

The National Museum of American History, located between 12th and 14th streets on Constitution Avenue N.W., is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (except Dec. 25). Admission is free.

## Martin Luther King Jr., Memorial Address Planned at OSU

CORVALLIS--Georgia Congressman John Lewis, civil rights leader in the 1960s, will deliver the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Address Jan. 17 at Oregon State University.

The speech, which is free and open to the public, will begin at 8 p.m. in Austin Auditorium of LaSells Stewart Center, 26th and Western.

Lewis, the son of an Alabama sharecropper, has long been active in the civil rights movement. He spoke at the 1963 March on Washington and took part in the voting rights march with Martin Luther King, Jr. in 1965 outside Selma, Ala.

He joined the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and, at age 21, became founder and chair of the national Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee. Lewis is a graduate of the American Theological

Seminary in Nashville, where he met King at age 18, and of Fisk University.

In 1968, he was asked by Sen. Robert Kennedy to help with his campaign for President. After Robert Kennedy's assassination, Lewis became director of the Atlanta-based Voter Education Project, which funded voter registration drives in the South.

Lewis served on the Atlanta City Council from 1982-86 and has represented Georgia's Fifth Congressional District since 1987. He won the right to succeed Wyche Fowler Jr. with a 1986 Democratic primary victory over state Sen. Julian Bond.

His address is part of the Provost's Distinguished Lecture Series, co-sponsored by the Office of Academic Affairs and the College of Liberal Arts at OSU and the City of Corvallis.

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## Dedication

Martin Luther King, Jr., dedicated his life to the crusade for racial equality. To millions of black Americans, he was the country's foremost civil rights leader. He urged his people to be proud of their race. He asked them to stand up for their rights. He led them in nonviolent demonstrations against the evils of hatred and segregation. He was a prophet of peace. Dr. King believed in the basic goodness of man and in the philosophy of nonviolence. It was his hope and dream that nonviolent protest action would create an America where all men might truly be equal. His efforts brought him worldwide fame, and death at an early age.



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