

40th

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

of REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.'s

speech to SACRAMENTO STATE

OCTOBER 16, 2007

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October 16, 2007

Dear Friends:

I am very proud to welcome you to this commemoration of Martin Luther King's speech at what was then Sacramento State College 40 years ago. It was an auspicious occasion, a moment when this young campus captured a part of history. I am sure the 7,000 people who attended the speech have never forgotten it.

Dr. King's leadership has left an indelible mark on American society. He came to prominence at a time when the world seemed to be changing too rapidly and too fundamentally to comprehend. He helped us find our way with a message of nonviolence and tolerance to create a better nation. Through inspirational speeches at venues such as Sacramento State, he was able to inspire us and focus our energies to guarantee our civil rights and achieve social justice.

Forty years later, we find ourselves still struggling for equality, tolerance and mutual respect. Racial and other hate-based violence is still a part of our world, and Sacramento, unfortunately, is no exception. That is why today's activities are so important. There is much reflection, discussion and work to be done. I hope that today's event leads us closer to Dr. King's vision and helps bring his message to another generation of Sacramentans.

I want to thank the organizers of today's events, our community partners, the guest speakers and all who worked hard to make this happen. Without the efforts of so many people, this important dialogue would not have happened.

In recognition of the significance of this commemoration, the Faculty Senate has requested and I have agreed to designate today as a convocation day to allow the campus community to participate in today's event.

Thank you for being here.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Alexander Gonzalez".

Alexander Gonzalez
President

AG/jr

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DAYTIME

- 10am–11pm Welcome by the University
Proclamations by area governing bodies
- Noon–1:45pm *University Convocation*
Panel discussion with Clayborne Carson, faculty, students, and community leaders— 'Beyond Vietnam'... Peace, the Pious, and the Poor.
- 2:15–3:45pm *University Convocation*
Panel discussion with Juan Williams, faculty, students, and community leaders—1967 – 1968: Before and After 'Beyond Vietnam'...The Media, the Speech, Dr. King, and the Future of Civil Rights movement.”
- 5pm—6pm Invitation-Only Reception – University Center Restaurant.

EVENING CELEBRATION

- 5:45–6:15pm Gospel Performance in the Lobby – Sacramento Metropolitan Community Choir (SMCC) and Martin Luther King Jr. (MLKJ) Mass Choir.
- 6:30–9pm Civil Rights song - Turn Me Around – Mavis Staples- SMCC/ MLKJ Mass Choir & students (Marches) Gospel song - No Ways Tired- SMCC/MLKJ Mass Choir.
- Welcome by Sacramento State President Alexander Gonzalez and Introductions of Emcees & Hon. Mervyn Dymally.
- Video of Dr. King’s Speech at CSUS- presented by Hon. Mervyn Dymally, who introduced Dr. King at his October 16, 1967 address to Sacramento State College.
- Introduction of Dr. Clayborne Carson by Irene B. West, Sacramento Educator.

Keynote by Dr. Clayborne Carson: 'Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the Man and his Lasting Values.'

Tribute to MLKJ- Sacramento Black Art of Dance, Dr. Linda Goodrich, Director.

Proclamations by area governing bodies.

Introduction of Juan Williams by Dennis Mangers, Chair of Capital Unity Council.

Keynote by Juan Williams: 'The Future of Civil Rights from 1967 – 2007'; the Media and the Movement.

"North Star" (segment of the play by Gloria Bond Clunie), current production directed by Dr. Melissa Wilson– Department of Theatre & Dance.

"We Celebrate His Lasting Values in Our Community" Capitol Unity Council (video) and talk by Darrell Steinberg, President of Sacramento Unity Council.

We Shall Overcome- SMCC/MLKJ Mass Choir.

9:15pm Open Reception & Book Signing at University Center Restaurant.



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Michael Morgan, Music Director



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CULTURAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 26, 1967

MINUTES

Present: Coffman, Conley, Enroth, Garcia, Kanter, Nelson, Perry, Schinske, Vincent

1. The meeting began at 8 p.m. Mr Garcia presided.
2. After approval of the agenda, Mrs Kanter was unanimously elected Faculty Chairman. She then presided.
3. Old Business:
 - a. Events already booked for 1967-8 were discussed. It was agreed that the committee wanted Martin Luther King to discuss the future of the civil rights movement; the effect of riots on the movement; leadership of the movement; extremist; anti-white feelings.
 - b. It was agreed that SSC would take part in the Public Affairs Week, February 26-March 1, 1968. The theme this year is "The Sexual Revolution."
4. New Business:
 - a. It was agreed that the committee should meet again within the next two weeks. Members were asked to send their schedules to Mr Enroth (DH 214).
 - b. Miss Conley, Miss Vincent, and Mr Schinske volunteered to serve as a subcommittee on film and to help Mr Gregory in choosing films for next semester's film series.
 - c. Publicity was discussed. It was agreed that this matter would be put on the agenda for another meeting, at which members would bring in concrete suggestions.
 - d. MSC to pay Lucien Lepore, cellist, \$300 for appearing in a Music Department concert to be held in October.
 - e. MSC not to invite Dr John Aiken as DVP.
 - f. MSC to endorse the proposal for a Speakers' Bureau.
 - g. MSC to invite Dr Philip Hauser as DVP at not more than \$300.
5. The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m., to meet again at the chairman's call.

SACRAMENTO STATE COLLEGE
CULTURAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE
SUMMARY, 1967-8

Members, Fall Semester:

Louise Kanter, Chairman; Clyde Enroth (Coordinator of Cultural Affairs), Charles G. Nelson, Robert Schinske, Pearl Spayde; and student members Robert Coffman, Kathryn Connelly, Richard Garcia (student coordinator), Eugene Perry, Martha Vinson.

Members, Spring Semester:

Same as above, but student members as follows: Robert Borzelleri, Robert Coffman (student coordinator), Kathryn Connelly, Margaret Kinster, Martha Vinson.

Functions: "Plans and assists in carrying out a well-coordinated series of convocation programs. Serves as a clearing house for scheduled events, available speakers and performers, and explores means of quickening the intellectual life of the campus through a broad and varied lecture and concert program."

New Services, 1967-8: The Committee began printing and widely distributing a monthly brochure listing its events. It also arranged for the installation of a recorded telephone announcement of its events. And it prepared and issued a catalog for the Bureau of Speakers and Artists, which was established as a new function of the college, to be supervised by the Committee.

CONVOCATIONS:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Topic</u>
September 27, 1967	President Robert Johns	"Here We Go Again"
October 16, 1967	Martin Luther King, Jr.	"Future of the Civil Rights Movement"
October 31, 1967	Harold Taylor	"The World of the American Student"
November 15, 1967	Newton Minow	"The Future of Communications"

In 1967, the Cultural Programs Committee took the courageous step of inviting Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to Sacramento State to discuss the "Future of the Civil Rights Movement". Jan Eakes, Student Body President, agreed that a speech of such significance should be in the stadium rather than in the Men's Gymnasium and, very importantly, that the expected size of the crowd required temporary installation of a loudspeaker system. See the agenda, minutes and press release below. All documents are made available at:

www.csus.edu/union/MLK

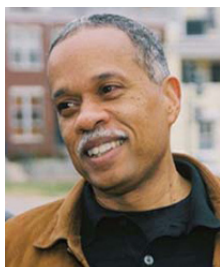
SACRAMENTO STATE COLLEGE
CULTURAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 10, 1967

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONVOCATION SHIFTED TO STADIUM

Dr. Martin Luther King will speak in the stadium rather than in the Men's Gymnasium on Monday, October 16, at 11 a.m. In case of rain, the convocation will be held in the gymnasium. Shifting to the stadium, which will accommodate the crowds expected for the lecture, was made possible when Jan Eakes, ASSSC President, arranged to have a temporary loudspeaker system installed. Bounded as it is by a busy railroad line, the stadium is not ideal for public lectures, but its size and the nearness of parking lots make it more suitable in good weather for large crowds than the gymnasium. The convocation speech, entitled "The Future of the Civil Rights Movement," is open to the public without charge.

JUAN WILLIAMS | Keynote Speaker



Juan Williams is one of America's leading political writers and thinkers. He is the senior correspondent for NPR, a political analyst for Fox Television, and a regular panelist for FoxNews Sunday. In addition to prize-winning columns and editorial writing for The Washington Post, he has also authored six books.

With the release of his sixth book, *Enough—The Phony Leaders, Dead-End Movements and Culture of Failure That Are Undermining Black America- and What We Can Do About It*, Williams has created a national furor and ignited debate everywhere with his point blank analysis of black leadership in this country. He combines a bold, perceptive, solution-based look at African American life, culture, and politics with an impassioned clarion call to do the right thing now and not lose sight of the true values of the Civil Rights Movement.

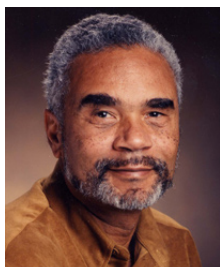
His previous book, *My Soul Looks Back in Wonder*, presents stirring, eyewitness accounts of history-making movements for Black, Hispanic, and Women's rights, as well as other successes at creating a better America. Previous books include the nonfiction best seller, *Eyes on the Prize*, and the critically acclaimed biography, *Thurgood Marshall: American Revolutionary*, which The New York Times selected as a notable book of the year. Time magazine described *American Revolutionary* as a "magisterial" work of American history, and the book was reissued in 2004 with a new epilogue to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Supreme Court's historic *Board vs. Brown* decision. His other books include *I'll Find a Way or Make One*, *A History of Historically Black Colleges and Universities*, and *This Far By Faith*, a history of the Black religious experience in America – which was accompanied by a six part PBS series.

In 2000, NPR selected Williams to host their afternoon talk show, "Talk of The Nation," and in two years he brought the show's ratings to record heights. His daring perspectives on American politics, race, and culture are based on his historical understanding, political expertise, and knowledge of diversity.

Prior to writing best sellers, Williams was a political columnist and national correspondent for The Washington Post. In a 21-year career at The Post he served as an editorial writer, op-ed columnist, and White House correspondent. He won several journalism awards for his writing and investigative reporting. He also won an Emmy Award for TV documentary writing.

As senior correspondent for NPR's "Morning Edition" and host of "America's Black Forum," a nationally syndicated weekly news program, Williams is at the cutting edge of America's culture and politics.

CLAYBORNE CARSON | Keynote Speaker



During his undergraduate years at UCLA, Dr. Clayborne Carson was a participant in and observer of African American political movements. Since receiving his doctorate from UCLA in 1975, he has taught at Stanford University, where he is now professor of history and director of the King Papers Project. Carson has also been a visiting professor at American University, the University of California, Berkeley, and Emory University as well as a Fellow at the Center for the Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford.

Carson's scholarly publications have focused on African American protest movements and political thought of the period after World War II. His writings have appeared in leading historical journals and numerous encyclopedias, as well as in popular periodicals. His first book, *In Struggle: SNCC and the Black Awakening of the 1960s*, a study of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, was published in 1981. *In Struggle* won the Frederick Jackson Turner Award of the Organization of American Historians. His other publications include *Malcolm X: The FBI File*. Carson also served as senior advisor for a fourteen-part, award-winning, public television series on the civil rights movement entitled *Eyes on the Prize* and co-edited the *Eyes on the Prize Civil Rights Reader*. In addition, he served as historical advisor for *Freedom on My Mind*, which was nominated for an Oscar in 1995, as well as for *Chicano!* and *Blacks and Jews*.

In 1985, Coretta Scott King invited Carson to direct a long-term project to edit and publish the papers of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This project was initiated by the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change in Atlanta and is being conducted in association with Stanford University and the Martin Luther King, Jr. Estate. Under Carson's direction, the King Papers Project has produced four volumes of a projected fourteen-volume comprehensive edition of King's speeches, sermons, correspondence, publications, and unpublished writings. In addition to these volumes, he has written or co-edited numerous other works based on the papers, including *A Knock at Midnight: Inspiration from the Great Sermons of Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr.*; *The Autobiography of Martin Luther King, Jr.*, compiled from the King's autobiographical writings; and *A Call to Conscience: The Landmark Speeches of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.* He also wrote *Passages of Martin Luther King*, a docudrama that was initially produced by Stanford's Drama Department in 1993, and subsequently presented at Dartmouth College, Willamette University, and the University of Washington. More recently, Carson collaborated with Roma Design Group of San Francisco to create the winning proposal in an international competition to design a national memorial in Washington, D. C., for Dr. King.

IRENE B. WEST | Event Emcee



Mrs. Irene B. West, trailblazer in education, was, in 1961, one of the first black teachers who, later in 1979, became the first black female principal in the Elk Grove Unified School District. In 1998, her name was submitted as one for whom a school in that district should be named. "If I am selected," she commented, "I would be the first black local Sacramentan to have a school named in her honor."

She is retired from the Elk Grove Unified School District and is an adjunct professor at National, Sacramento. She attributes her successes to her parents, for whom education "was a given." Truly a model educator, she was honored as Mother of the Year by the Sacramento Observer in 1968 and given the Educator Award of the Elk Grove Historical Society in 1983 for "outstanding preservation of history in the field of education." Among her myriad of awards include "Outstanding Woman of Sacramento Award," Sacramento Observer, 1979; she has also worked with youth in Sunday Schools and Vacation Bible schools. She is actively involved in her community and church.

DENNIS MANGERS | Event Emcee



Dennis was born in Inglewood, California, and raised in Lawndale. He graduated from Leuzinger High School and received an AA degree from El Camino Community College where he was both Freshman Class and Student Body President. He was awarded a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from California State University at Long Beach and a Master of Science degree in Educational Administration from the University of Southern California.

In 1968, Mr. Mangers became one of California's youngest school principals serving first the Earlimart School District in Tulare County and later the Fountain Valley School District in Orange County. In 1969 he was named International Toastmaster of the Year after defeating 8 finalists representing 90,000 Toastmasters from around the world in the International Serious Speech Competition in Cleveland, Ohio. He served in the U.S. Navy Hospital Corps on both the US Constellation and the US Hospital Ship Haven.

For the five years prior to his election to the Assembly, Dennis served as Vice-President of American Learning Corporation headquartered in Huntington Beach. Dennis Mangers is a former member and President of the Huntington Beach Union High School District Board of Trustees and a former member of the Huntington Beach Parks and Recreation Commission. From 1976 to 1980 he was a member of the California State Assembly representing the 73rd Assembly District. Dennis currently serves as President for the California Cable & Telecommunications Association. He was Senior Vice President and principal lobbyist for 24 years.

CALENDAR

OF EVENTS

- Wed, Oct 17
7:45–10:30pm **ITVS COMMUNITY CINEMA - MISS NAVAJO**
University Union Delta Suite, 3rd floor
- Thur, Oct 18
12pm–2:30pm **QUEERS THROUGHOUT HISTORY**
University Union Redwood Room, 1st floor
- Mon, Oct 22
12pm–2pm **I AM A MAN: BLACK MASCULINITY IN AMERICA** – movie
Center/Multicultural Center, Library 1010
- Thur, Oct 25
7pm–11pm **CAP CITY CULTURE CONCERT & HIP HOP ELEMENTS**
University Union Ballroom
- Thur, Oct 25
— *THRU* —
Sun, Nov 4 **NUBIAN VISIONS IN MOVEMENT**
Presented by Sacramento/Black Art of Dance
Sacramento State Dancespace (Solano Hall 1010)
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|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| Thursday, October 25 | 8:00pm | Wednesday, October 31 | 6:30pm |
| Friday, October 26 | 8:00pm | Thursday, November 1 | 6:30pm |
| Saturday, October 27 | 8:00pm | Friday, November 2 | 8:00pm |
| Sunday, October 28 | 2:00pm* | Saturday, November 3 | 8:00pm |
| | <i>*matinee showing</i> | Sunday, November 4 | 2:00pm* |
- Mon, Oct 29
— *THRU* —
Fri, Nov 2 **WITT GALLERY–RICARDO FAVELA MEMORIAL EXHIBITION**
Kadema Hall - Witt Gallery
(Call the art department at 916-278-6166 for gallery hours)
- Thur, Nov 1
7:30–9pm **NATIVE AMERICAN COMEDY SHOW WITH CHARLIE HILL**
University Union Ballroom
- Sat, Nov 3
5pm–7pm **PURSUIT OF EQUALITY**
University Union Hinde Auditorium, 1st floor
- Fri, Nov 30
Starting at 8pm **WORLD MUSIC CONCERT - ARAB AND MIDDLE EASTERN**
Capistrano Hall (CPS) - Music Recital Hall

This is a only a sample of events that take place at Sacramento State.
For a full and complete listing of cultural events, please log on to:

— WWW.CALENDAR.CSUS.EDU —







A former California Assemblyman, State Senator, Lt. Governor and US Congressman, Mervyn M. Dymally has returned to where he began his political career in the State Assembly, representing South Los Angeles and the cities of Compton, Paramount and North Long Beach. Regarded as a senior member of the Legislature, Dymally was elected by his peers as Chairman of the Assembly Democratic Study Group, an organization committed to promoting progressive social and economic legislation.

Assemblyman Dymally earned a B.A. in Education from Los Angeles State College, M.A. in Government, California State University at Sacramento; and a Ph.D. from the United States International University at San Diego, California (now Alliant International University).

A teacher before entering the political arena, Dymally's career began with teaching handicapped children in the Los Angeles Unified School District. He was a lecturer at various universities, including posts at Central State University, Ohio and the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science in Los Angeles.

Dr. Dymally is a native of Trinidad, British West Indies, and completed high school in his native land before going to work as a fledgling labor reporter for *The Vanguard*, a weekly newspaper published by the Oil Workers' Trade Union. At age 19, the Caribbean youth came to the United States to study journalism at Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri. After a cold winter, he traveled to sunny California to attend Chapman College and later transferred to Los Angeles State College.

While teaching he joined the Young Democrats and served as State Treasurer. Later he was chosen as Field Coordinator for the John F. Kennedy Campaign for President. Two years later he successfully ran for the State Assembly. In 1966, he became the first African American to serve in the State Senate and was soon elected as Chairman of the Senate Majority Caucus.

In 1974, he made history when he was elected the first of two African American Lieutenant Governors in the United States. Later, he was elected Congressman from South Los Angeles County, making him the first foreign-born Black to be elected as a Member of the US Congress. During this time he also served as Chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus and Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Africa.

Dymally retired from Congress in 1992. Since then, he has traveled extensively including trips to Africa, Asia, and the Caribbean as a foreign affairs consultant. He currently serves as Honorary Consul to the Republic of Benin in West Africa and Chief Protocol Officer of the California Assembly.



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October 2, 2007

President Alexander Gonzalez
California State University Sacramento
6000 J Street
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Dear Dr. Gonzalez,

Forty years ago Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. spoke at then Sacramento State College and it is very appropriate for today's University to commemorate that speech made in 1967. Dr. King had a message of fairness calling for individual dignity that appealed to all of us and still is meaningful today. That a recipient of a Nobel Peace Prize had brought his message to our community is something we should remember and celebrate. A pivotal figure in the Civil Rights movement, Dr. King's message was significant to all Americans and I applaud recognizing the 40th anniversary of Dr. King's address here in Sacramento.

Sincerely,

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DORIS O. MATSUI
5TH DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA

October 16, 2007

Dear Friends,

It is my honor to welcome everyone to the 40th Anniversary Celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "The Future of Civil Rights" speech given at Sacramento State University.

Thank you for taking time to remember the life of an inspirational individual without whom the civil rights movement would not be where it is today. As we pause to remember the life and legacy of Dr. King, I would like to commend the people of Sacramento for their continued dedication to equity, justice and fairness. Your work has made Sacramento the most integrated city in the United States. I am confident that today's celebration will truly exemplify the values of Dr. King.

I wish you a wonderful day of celebration and I look forward to working with you to ensure Sacramento remains a wonderful place to live, work and raise a family.

Sincerely,

DORIS O. MATSUI
Member of Congress





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October 16, 2007

Alexander Gonzalez, President
California State University, Sacramento
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Dear Dr. Gonzalez,

I am very appreciative for the University Commemoration of the 1967 speech by Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., who gave his life to our country in the cause of social justice. His sacrifice was significant to African-Americans, however, the world has benefited from his complete commitment to us all.

Daily, I recognize his impact on my life and all of those around me and am very proud to have assisted in the celebration of this extraordinary person. I am also humbled that he chose to speak at my University, and that I have been able to serve in this great community in which this University resides.

Lauren Hammond
Councilmember, District 5

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October 3, 2007

Welcome to the University Union at Sacramento State!

On behalf of the University Union Board of Directors, the staff and the students of the Union, I want you to know how glad we all are that you chose to share this special day with us.

Being a part of the 40th Anniversary Celebration of Dr. King's speech to Sacramento State is one way we all can demonstrate our commitment to actions of inclusiveness, appreciating and celebrating our diversity and differences which can lead to a unified Sac State community. The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. has touched us all in many ways and it is a privilege and an honor to be involved in this demonstration of the collaborative spirit between the campus and the Sacramento community.

Please share as much of your day with us as you can and participate in the dialogue. Then continue that dialogue with your classmates, workmates, friends, and families. Live and learn together!

Sincerely Yours,

Leslie Davis
Executive Director



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Dear President Gonzalez :

On behalf of the Sacramento State Emeritus Association, I write to commend you on your enthusiastic support for the forthcoming campus event commemorating the October 16, 1967 appearance on our campus of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. This was an event of critical importance to the history of our campus, marking as it most certainly did, the joining of our key educational enterprise with the larger world of ideas and social change represented by Dr. King.

Allow me a moment of personal reminiscence about that event. In August, 1967, I had arrived on campus as Dean of what was then the new School of Social Work at Sacramento State College. I had left a tenured professorship at the University of Chicago, motivated by the shining promise of California's innovative Master Plan for Higher Education, and all that meant for helping to build a School of Social Work in the Capital Campus. Just a summer earlier, I had been a leader in the welfare rights movement in Chicago, and had met with Dr. King and his leadership group on many occasions during their trying and historic Chicago Summer.

For me, Dr. King's campus speech represented a seamless continuation of a national movement to which I was deeply committed. As dean, I encouraged all of our students to attend—and most of them did.

Just six months later, Dr. King was assassinated in Memphis. That event, too, was remembered on our campus with sadness and not a little despair.

Because history lends dignity and meaning to the lives we have chosen to pursue, I think I speak for many of us who were there in person in 1967 in thanking you for ensuring the success of the upcoming event.

Sincerely yours,

Alan D. Wade, Professor Emeritus
President, Emeritus Association



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Today we reflect and celebrate the fortieth anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King's speech at California State University, Sacramento (then Sacramento State College). Many of the issues that Dr. King spoke to in the last years of his life have currency today. We can, and should, reflect on his message of tolerance, peace, and justice. Hopefully this reflection will guide us in both our personal and academic lives, now and in the future.

Bruce Bickle
Chair
Faculty Senate



ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

October 16th, 2007

Dear fellow Sacramento State Community Members,

As we have eagerly anticipated the 40th anniversary of this historic day, we remember Dr. King through video, television, print and media. Often, because of Dr. King's great accomplishments, he is remembered as a figure head instead of as an individual; however, I invite you to remember Dr. King not only for his fight in the Civil Rights movement but for his fight for the equal treatment of all men, women and children. Remember Dr. King for his powerful way of touching a crowd through words and his sincere heart that longed for change. Remember Dr. King for his courage in his last days, knowing that his end was near and remember Dr. King for his imperfect nature as a man. Remember these things because you, although not perfect as he was not perfect, can make a difference as an individual through your education, willingness for change and perseverance.

As Dr. King came on our campus 40 years ago today, he inspired and encouraged the oppressed to be the agents of change in our campus community. I challenge you to remember his purpose and continue making strides to a more united campus where agendas are driven by the original intent of the California State University, education and opportunity for all.

Thank you for your open minds and for your attendance on this memorable day.

Sincerely,

Christina Romero
Associated Students Inc. President
California State University, Sacramento



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HEATHER FARGO
MAYOR

CITY OF SACRAMENTO
CALIFORNIA

October 16, 2007

Greetings!

As Mayor of the City of Sacramento, I am pleased to welcome you to the 40th Anniversary Celebration of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s speech to Sacramento State, held to honor his vision of fairness and equality.

Our community continues to take a leadership role in the fight for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and disadvantage to ensure that everyone has a right to live in connections of dignity, respect and peace. Americans have fought back with valiant efforts through civil rights activism by choosing to overcome evil with good by treating their neighbors as they would like to be treated. By responding to tragic events with courage, selfless compassion, determination and patriotism, we learn from Dr. King that the cause of attaining social change for all people can and will contribute to the establishment of a beloved community worldwide.

Please join me in extending a warm welcome to our keynote speakers Dr. Clayborne Carson and Juan Williams for today's premiere event.

I commend the members of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 40th Anniversary Celebration Committee for their ongoing commitment to keeping Dr. King's dream alive in our community for generations to come.

Sincerely,


HEATHER FARGO
MAYOR

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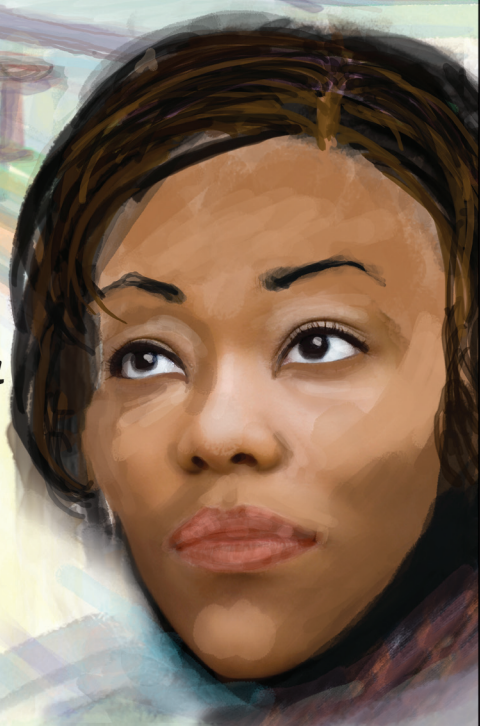
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