VUSN Diversity in Action
Cultural Diversity Calendar of Events

September 2018

Diversity in Action at VUSN is updated monthly. The page features a rolling collection of all advertised University, School of Nursing and local cultural events along with national and international nursing conferences having a diversity and inclusion emphasis. In addition, there is a list of current ethnic-minority nursing organizations as well as other nursing organizations, whose focus is on culture, diversity and inclusion as relates to nursing education, practice and research. Explore the monthly announcements and find out what is going on in the area of diversity and nursing. Enjoy.

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Vanderbilt School of Nursing Named AAMN 2018 Best School of Nursing

Professor Tom Christenbery and Instructor Chance Allen spearheaded the award application.

The American Association of Men in Nursing recognizes VUSN for its sustained efforts in recruiting and retaining men in nursing, supporting them and promoting the contributions of men to nursing.

The two will be presented with the award at the AAMN 43rd Annual Conference in Milwaukee, Wisconsin this October.

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I AM: MIDDLE EASTERN WOMEN ARTISTS AND THE QUEST TO BUILD PEACE

August 30 – October 10, 2018
Brought to the Vanderbilt University Fine Arts Gallery with the generous support of the Office of the Chancellor.

Curated by Janet Rady, a specialist in Middle Eastern contemporary art, I AM features the work of thirty-one premier Middle Eastern women artists from twelve countries, visually celebrating the rich, diverse, and pivotal contributions that women make to the enduring global quest for harmony and peace. The exhibition premiered at the National Gallery of Fine Arts in Amman, Jordan, in May/June 2017. It was then showcased at St. Martin-in-the-Fields on Trafalgar Square in London, U.K., for July/August 2017, and premiered its U.S. tour in Washington, D.C., at the Katzen Arts Center of the American University Museum in September/October 2017. The Vanderbilt presentation will be one of six in North America.

I AM is organized by CARAVAN, a nonprofit organization that promotes dialogue, understanding, and friendship between the West and the Middle East through the belief that the arts have the potential to unite and act as a universal language. The founding president of the organization, Rev. Paul-Gordon Chandler, says of their mission that “In the midst of the increasing chasm of misunderstanding that exists between the Middle East and West, the arts can be one of the most effective mediums to provide new pathways of understanding which transcend borders, helping us put ourselves in ‘the other’s’ shoes.” The US tour of I AM is in partnership with ArtBAB. Health care workforce expert Peter Buerhaus to give Aug. 28 diversity lecture.

Cohen Memorial Hall 1220 21st Avenue South  Admission to the gallery is always free

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**Women’s Center Kicks off Series of Events in Honor of 40th Anniversary**

The Margaret Cuninggim Women’s Center is kicking off a series of events Thursday, Sept. 6, to mark its 40th anniversary this year. The events are scheduled throughout the fall semester, culminating in a birthday celebration on Nov. 1.

The Sept. 6 kickoff, scheduled from noon to 2 p.m. at the Women’s Center, will feature live music, games and activities, free food and commemorative T-shirts celebrating the milestone.

The kickoff also will mark the launch of a new exhibit at the Women’s Center that will highlight the changes that Vanderbilt has seen in women’s experiences since the center opened. This
new exhibit is in addition to the recently unveiled exhibit at the Jean and Alexander Heard Libraries exploring the history of women at Vanderbilt.

The series of programs being offered by the Women’s Center in honor of its 40th anniversary will explore many topics, including feminism, academic leadership, student life, history, sports and more.

The Women’s Center also has developed a walking tour, “The History of Women at Vanderbilt,” that will highlight spaces on campus related to women’s history. You can join a tour on Oct. 12 at 3 p.m. or 4 p.m., or visit the Women’s Center website to do a self-guided version at your own convenience.

**Upcoming programs in the series include:**

“**Women’s Changing Place at Vanderbilt**”
Tuesday, Sept. 11, at 12:15 p.m., Buttrick 123
Margaret Cuninggim Women’s Center Director, Rory Dicker, will speak about the multiple ways that women students have been simultaneously included and excluded at Vanderbilt since the late 19th century.

“**Women and Academic Leadership: A Panel with Elizabeth Langland, Menah Pratt-Clarke and Beverly Daniel Tatum**”
Friday, Sept. 21, at noon, Bishop Joseph Johnson Black Cultural Center
Panelists include:
- Beverly Daniel Tatum, president emerita of Spelman College and author of the highly acclaimed book *Why Are All the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria*.
- Elizabeth Langland, director of the Institute for Humanities Research at Arizona State University and interim dean of humanities, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Langland sued Vanderbilt in the 1980s when she was denied tenure by the dean of the College of Arts and Science after the department had voted in her favor.
- Menah Pratt-Clarke, vice president for strategic affairs and vice provost for inclusion and diversity at Virginia Tech.

“**Getting Women in Vanderbilt’s Game: The Trailblazing Career of Stella Vaughn**”
Tuesday, Sept. 25, at 12:15 p.m., Robert Penn Warren Center
Mona Frederick, executive director of the Robert Penn Warren Center for the Humanities, will give a talk about the trailblazing career of Stella Vaughn, who was Vanderbilt’s first women’s basketball coach.

“**Reflecting on the Past: Student Life for Vanderbilt Women in the 1970s**”
Tuesday, Oct. 2, at 12:15 p.m., Sarratt 216/220
This panel discussion, comprised of four alumnae who were students when the Women’s Center opened, will examine what student life looked like for Vanderbilt women during the 1970s.

To see the full listing of events honoring the Margaret Cuninggim Women’s Center’s 40th anniversary, visit the [Women’s Center website](#).
‘ESPN The Magazine’ writer, best-selling author Howard Bryant to visit VU

The Vanderbilt University Sports and Society Initiative will host best-selling author Howard Bryant on Tuesday, Sept. 11, as part of its new series, “A World of Possibilities: Examining the Olympics from Diverse Angles.” The program is scheduled from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Football Meeting Room at the McGugin Center.

Bryant is a senior writer for ESPN The Magazine and ESPN.com and has made frequent appearances on ESPN programming such as SportsCenter and Outside the Lines. He is the author of several books, including The Last Hero: A Life of Henry Aaron, Shut Out: A Story of Race and Baseball in Boston, Sisters and Champions: The True Story of Venus and Serena Williams, and most recently, The Heritage: Black Athletes, a Divided America and the Politics of Patriotism.

During his talk, Bryant will explore the intersection of politics and patriotism from the perspective of black Olympians. He also will discuss his new book, which is centered on the history of black athletes who used their platforms to advance equal rights for people of color and the current athletes who are continuing these efforts today.

This program is free and open to the public, and light refreshments will be served. Paid parking is available in the 25th Avenue Garage at the corner of 25th Avenue South and Highland Avenue.

For more information on this program and others in the series, visit Vanderbilt.edu/sportssociety.
Proseminar Series on Community Engaged Research
September 13 – October 18, 2018

ATTENTION: Graduate Students, Post Docs and Faculty Researchers:
Are you interested in building your knowledge base and skills in community engaged research?

Join us for six-part weekly ‘Lunch and Learn’ series!

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To register: Please complete this Registration form here  Space is limited, so don’t delay!
Transportation available to Meharry participants. Remote participation also available via GoToMeeting.
For more information, contact Carol Gutierrez cgalvez@mms.edu.

Lunch will be provided.
April 4, 2018 marked the 50th year since the assassination of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther, Jr. in Memphis, Tennessee at the Lorraine Motel. The Vanderbilt Divinity School, situated in the deep south with its contingent residue of social inequities, deems this moment a pivotal time to think critically about the issues of racial injustice pervading the last half-century. In his effort to achieve racial justice, King engaged several strategies of non-violent direct-action efforts designed to confront and dismantle the very same racial injustices we are currently experiencing.

Consequently, the meteoric rise of #Black Lives Matter after the acquittal of his white perpetrator, the murder of the 17-year-old black youth, Trayvon Martin, serves as a stark reminder of the insidious nature of justice in America for racial minorities. King’s death continues to spark interest around the horrific trend in American culture to brutally murder, defile, and destroy black lives.

The Deans of four Vanderbilt University Schools: Divinity (Emilie M. Townes), Law (Chris Guthrie), Peabody (Camilla Benbow), and the Graduate School (Mark Wallace) will each convene a panel of scholars to address the implications of 50 years of struggle in a day-long symposium.
William Banks’ 1984 article “Afro-American Scholars in the University” situated Black faculty at predominantly White institutions in a milieu noting the uses and misuses of Black scholars, constituencies in conflict, the range of responses from Black scholars, and the standards and realities for their advancement in academia. Banks further discussed the stigma of affirmative action and the burden of symbolism for Black faculty.

This discussion, during the #BlackLivesMatter and Trump era, engages with the same questions that Banks raised 34 years prior. This response is centered through an analysis of community engagement experiences, the burdens of cultural taxation, and the impact of affirmative action in a post-Fisher political context for scholars in educational leadership. Incorporating events both inside and outside of academia, I considered the centrality of creating spaces of resistance and leveraging the gains for Black academics over the past three decades to alter the standards of the academy to support Black scholars and their allies.
Black Church Showcase
Monday, September 10, 2018, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Location: Bishop Joseph Johnson Black Cultural Center Auditorium
Contact: Jackie Grant Email: jacqueline.grant@vanderbilt.edu Phone: 6153222524
Audience: Free and Open to the Public
Come out to interact with local churches and hear their message and what their particular worship services have to offer our students

Women's Changing Place at Vanderbilt
Tuesday, September 11, 2018, 12:15 PM
• Location: Buttrick Hall • 390 24th Ave S Room: 123
• Contact: Brianna Nesbitt Email: brianna.nesbitt@vanderbilt.edu Phone: 24857
• Audience: Community only
This talk examines the history of women at Vanderbilt from the university’s nineteenth-century beginnings to the present day. It considers women’s experiences as students, faculty, and staff at Vanderbilt, which only began to admit women and men undergraduates in equal numbers in the 1980s. Lunch will be provided.

9/10/18 12:10 pm - Brazil Week: "Vinegar and Words: Literature and Politics in Post-Lula Brazil” Discussion by Dr. Leila Lehnen (Brown University)
9/10/18 4:30 pm - Brazil Week: Cheese & Wine Reception
9/11/18 12:10 pm - Brazil Week: "Corruption and the Public Good" VU Faculty Roundtable
9/12/18 12:10 pm - Brazil Week: Study Abroad Roundtable featuring VU students
9/12/18 5:30 pm - Latin American Film Festival: "Tuberculosis Diaries: A Hidden Epidemic" with discussion by Dr. Marshall Eakin
9/13/18 12:10 pm - Brazil Week: Talk by Eugenio Singer
Signature Trainings

FOR UP TO DATE TRAINING SESSIONS CHECK THIS LINK
https://www.vanderbilt.edu/iicc/education/

IICC Signature Training 1.0
Wednesday, September 12 2018 at 10:00 AM CDT to
Wednesday, September 12 2018 at 12:00 PM CDT
Location Sarratt 325
Want to learn and practice techniques for more meaningful interactions with people who are
different from you? IICC invites you to focus on improving our everyday human interactions
across similar and different identities, cultures, and experiences. Through real talk and engaging activities, participants will develop a shared vocabulary for intercultural communication, start the critical work of self-reflection, and employ tools and methods for developing their cultural competence.
SIGN IN TO RSVP

IICC Signature Training: Navigating Difficult Conversations
Tuesday, September 25 2018 at 3:00 PM CDT to
Tuesday, September 25 2018 at 5:00 PM CDT
Location Sarratt 325
Want to learn and practice how to navigate difficult conversations? IICC invites you to transform how you talk with others about challenging topics related to diversity and inclusion. Through real talk and engaging activities, participants will challenge their own assumptions and perspectives, name the common fears and faults in approaching difficult conversations, and employ tools and methods to strengthen their intercultural and interpersonal communication skills.
SIGN IN TO RSVP

Let Your Anchor Down Faculty Dinner Series: "This is America, A Conversation on Hate Crime, Gun Control and The Criminal Justice System" with Dr. Laurie Woods and Dr. Rosevelt Noble
Wednesday, September 19 2018 at 6:00 PM CDT to
Wednesday, September 19 2018 at 8:00 PM CDT
Location Multicultural Lounge (Sarratt 335)
Let Your Anchor Down is a faculty dialogue program designed to provide space for critical dialogue and self-exploration. This monthly program facilitates the building of network and community amongst Vanderbilt faculty, staff, and students through culturally relevant and responsive topics that allow for multiple social identities to interact and intersect with one another. Dinner will be provided. RSVP is required, limited space available.
SIGN IN TO RSVP

Questions? Please contact Kristen Lemaster
Serving the religious, social, & educational needs of the undergraduate & graduate Jewish-student communities.

What's Going on at Hillel? See the Full Calendar Here

**Rosh Hashanah Seder Dinners**
**Sunday, September 09, 2018, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM**
- Location: Vanderbilt University Student Life Center

Celebrate Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, with a special holiday Seder and traditional Jewish holiday meal. It's a sweet taste of the holiday to usher in a sweet new year. RSVPs are required: [http://bit.do/HillelHighHolidayReg2018](http://bit.do/HillelHighHolidayReg2018)

**Birthright Israel**
Learn more about our summer 2019 trip in the fall of 2018.
Questions? Contact Max Ryabinin at maxim.ryabinin@vanderbilt.edu

**Graduate Student Programming** Learn More Here
Contact Hillel

Learn more about Vanderbilt Program for LGBTI Health here [https://vanderbilthallth.com/lgbtihealthprogram/](https://vanderbilthallth.com/lgbtihealthprogram/)

Vanderbilt University Medical Center is committed to a welcoming and supportive environment for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) patients. We've earned a 100% rating on the Human Rights Campaign's Equality Index for the past 6 years.

Our Vanderbilt Program for LGBTI Health connects patients with specially trained LGBTI providers and helps ensure outstanding medical care in an atmosphere of compassion and respect.

Locate LGBTI-COMPETENT PROVIDERS within Vanderbilt University Medical Center and our affiliated clinics. Call (615) 936-3879 to reach one of our team members. LGBTQ HEALTH: RELATED SERVICES AND PROGRAMS [Vanderbilt Clinic for Transgender Health](http://bit.do/HillelHighHolidayReg2018)
LGBTQI Events calendar here

Bi-BQ 2018
Sunday, September 23, 2018, 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM
- Location: KC Potter Center

Join the Vanderbilt Lambda Association in celebrating bisexuality at the 2nd annual Bi-BQ! There will be lots of delicious barbecue food, including vegetarian options! Stop by the patio outside the K.C. Potter Center to enjoy great food and community!

Warren Center Seminars Here
Programs and Events Here

The Margaret Cuninggim Women’s Center is an affirming space for women and for all members of the Vanderbilt community that actively resists sexism and all forms of oppression by providing resources and educational programming.

See all the Women’s Center Programs
- Feminism 101
- Kitchen Table Series
- Vandy Sex Ed
- Salary Negotiation Workshop
- Work–Life Workshops
- Women in the Academy
- Women’s History Month
- Cuninggim Lecture on Women in Culture and Society
- PREVAIL
Immigration through a Feminist Lens
Tuesday, September 25, 2018, 5:00 PM
Location: Sarratt Student Center • 2302 Vanderbilt Pl • Room: 363
Contact: Brianna Nesbitt Email: brianna.nesbitt@vanderbilt.edu
Audience: Students only
Immigration has been in the headlines for years, but not as much as it has been recently. Come discuss how immigrants face unique gender-related obstacles and the implications of being undocumented through a feminist lens.
A Dinner is provided to participants. All sessions are capped at 30 attendees due to space.

Programs
- Chaplain’s Speaker Series
- GriefNet
- Holocaust Lecture Series 40th Anniversary Events
- MLK Day of Commemoration and Service
- Project Dialogue

Estelle Laughlin, Warsaw Ghetto Survivor
Thursday, September 13 2018 at 7:00 PM
The Schulman Center for Jewish Life—Vanderbilt Hillel 2421 Vanderbilt Place
Estelle Laughlin is a child survivor of the Warsaw Ghetto, the Uprising, and concentration camps. She immigrated to America at eighteen with only three years of public school education. Estelle was born in Warsaw in 1929, she lived with her parents and older sister in relative peace and calm until Hitler invaded Poland when she was ten years old. Soon after, the family home on Nowolipki Street became part of the Warsaw Ghetto, where 400,000 Jews were squeezed into a 1.3-square-mile area – 30 percent of the city’s population forced to live in less than three percent of the city’s space.
Estelle’s memoir, published sixty-four years after their liberation from the concentration camp, is a narrative of fear and hope and resiliency. While it is a harrowing tale of destruction and loss, it is also a story of the goodness that still exists in a dark world, of survival and renewal.

**Project Dialogue** is a University-wide program that seeks to involve the entire Vanderbilt community in public discourse and reflection connecting classroom learning with larger societal issues. Project Dialogue dinner series give students and faculty an opportunity to engage in conversation on a number of topics around the dinner table over a delicious meal.

**Project Dialogue on AnchorLink**

**Series in Project Dialogue include:** *Narrative 4 and “This I Believe. Please see the schedules below.***

**Narrative 4:** The story exchange is a powerful model based on the belief of Narrative 4’s founding authors. They understand that we will see the world, and ourselves, more empathically through the exchange of personal narratives. Today, this belief is supported by the work of neuroscientists, as well as by the experiences of story exchange participants. The story exchanges on the following dates will be led by a Narrative 4 facilitators.

- September 11, 18, 25
- October 9, 16, 23
- November 6
- January 8, 15, 22
- February 5, 12, 19, 26
- March 5, 19, 26

**“This I Believe” Series (Thursdays from 5:15 PM – 6:15 PM at OUCRL, 401 24th Ave. S):**

The title/topic of this dinner series is based on the National Public Radio dialogues on belief. (See [https://thisibelieve.org/guidelines/](https://thisibelieve.org/guidelines/)). Guest faculty will lead the dinner conversation with students. Faculty are invited to follow the following guidelines in preparing their “This I Believe” essay: See the guidelines [here](https://thisibelieve.org/guidelines/).

**Fall 2018:**

- Sept 13 — Dr. Matthew Walker, III, Associate Professor of the Practice of Biomedical Engineering
- Sept 20 — Dr. Mary Louise Hemmeter, Professor of Special Education, Vanderbilt
- Sept 27 — Dr. Tiffany Patterson, Assoc Prof of African American & Diaspora Studies; Assoc Prof of History; Director of Undergraduate Studies in AADS
- Oct 4 — Dr. Vanessa Beasley, Associate Provost and Dean of Residential Faculty
- Oct 11 — tbd
- Oct 25 — Dr. Chris Purcell, Director of the KC Potter Center
- Nov 1 — tbd
- Nov 8 — Dr. Melissa Thomas-Hunt, Vice Provost for Inclusive Excellence
- Nov 15 — tbd
- Nov 29 — Dr. Adam Meyer, Assoc Director, Program in Jewish Studies, Assoc Prof of Jewish Studies
Vanderbilt University Medical Center has launched the Flexner Discovery Lecture Series featuring the world's most eminent scientists, who will speak on the highest-impact research and policy issues in science and medicine today. See Upcoming Lectures
All lectures start at 4PM in 208 Light Hall.

Gabby Rivera

Presents

Inspiring Radical Creativity: Empowering Young, Diverse Voices to Tell Their Own Stories

Monday, September 24, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. in Sarratt Cinema

To Gabby Rivera, it’s vital to encourage people of all backgrounds to create, daydream, and tell their own stories—and in so doing, open a radical space for creativity. Now, in this affecting talk, Rivera unpacks how she navigates the world as a queer, Latinx, millennial woman; how she incorporates her heritage into her writing; how she strives to be a thoughtful ally for others, and how she celebrates the healing power of community. This is a talk about privilege and power, and what we can do to support the ideas of diverse artists working with progressive politics. It asks difficult questions: What if this country made everyone—people of all colors, cultures, and orientations, abilities, and genders—feel at home? What if the traumas experienced by marginalized peoples could be reconciled and incorporated into a broader, richer definition of America? What if our non-white ancestors weren’t erased, but represented in pop culture, in our textbooks and classrooms? And what if we could privilege difference as a site of wonder, laughter and celebration, and not as something to fear? With Rivera’s smart, funny talks, we can start imagining these worlds as our reality. Click here for more information.

Unconscious Bias Defined Here
ACADEMIC SKILLS
STUDY SKILLS & TIME MANAGEMENT
- Thursday: September 6, 1-2pm
- Wednesday: September 12, 11am-12pm
- Tuesday: September 18, 3-4pm
- Monday: September 24, 1-2pm

TEST PREP
- Tuesday: October 9, 10-11am
- Thursday: October 11, 2-3pm
- Wednesday: November 28, 3-4pm
- Thursday: December 6, 11am-12pm

HOST RESPONSIBILITY
- Wednesday: September 5, 12:15-1pm
- Thursday: September 27, 12:15-1pm
- Monday: October 8, 12:15-1pm
- Wednesday: October 31, 12:15-1pm
- Thursday: November 29, 12:15-1pm

RESILIENCE
- Tuesday: October 9, 3-4pm
- Wednesday: November 14, 3-4pm

FINANCIAL WELLBEING
SAVING & BUDGETING
- Thursday: September 27, 3-4pm
- Tuesday: November 13, 3-4pm

FINANCIAL STRESS & WELLBEING
- Tuesday: October 16, 3-4pm

INTRO TO MINDFULNESS
- Wednesday: September 26, 12-1pm
- Wednesday: October 24, 12-1pm

all workshops held in the CSW classroom
Center for Student Wellbeing

Writers' Accountability Group
Fall 2018

Accountability Meetings
Fridays, 9-10am
- September 14
- October 5
- November 2
- November 30
- December tbd

Write-Ins Thanksgiving Break
9am-Noon, CSW Classroom
- Monday, November 19
- Tuesday, November 20

Study Hall
Wednesdays, 1-3pm
- all semester

The Writers' Accountability Group (WAG) offers students in the graduate and professional schools an opportunity to support each other through the writing process, facilitated by a CSW coach. Members will meet approximately monthly for one hour sessions, sharing goals and accountability - not text. Longer write-ins offer participants a committed writing time and space.

Participants should be actively writing and able to commit to regular attendance.

Please email samantha.york@vanderbilt.edu to register.

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Diversity and Cultural Events in Nashville

Every year, Festival of the Nations holds a momentous event called “Celebrate the Nations”!

Join the Celebration on FB

Over 10000+ people typically converge on the Festival of the Nation site to experience and learn about the many cultures right here in Middle TN. Stages of entertainment, 30+ performers, 100+ vendors including crafts, art and food, 40 + nonprofits who serve and help the International community. The Celebrate the Nations day kicks off with an opening ceremony including a parade of Flags, Choir of the Nations, keynote speakers, entertainment and a few surprises that will surely encourage and mark this wonderful day each season.

Viva Kultura - Cultural Empathy through the Arts

Sat, September 15, 2018
6:00 PM – 9:00 PM CDT
Langford Auditorium, Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

The internationally acclaimed performing arts troupe, Viva Kultura, will be presenting their multicultural show for the first time in Tennessee. More than 40 artists from all over the world volunteer their time, abilities and passions to Viva Kultura, who hosts a team from over twenty different countries.

Each artist displays their multicultural identity through an array of art forms, using contemporary theatre techniques to present wisdom from ancient vedic texts.

The proceeds benefit the Kerala Flood Victims in India. For more information, please visit www.vivakultura.com.
Calendar of Observances
September 2018

September 2 KRISHNA JANMASHTAMI • Hindu Celebrates Krishna’s birthday, Vishnu’s eighth incarnation on earth.

September 3 LABOR DAY Celebrated the first Monday in September in recognition of U.S. workers.

September 8 INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY Call to action for universal literacy.

September 10– 11 ROSH HASHANAH • Jewish Beginning of the Jewish New Year and first of the High Holy Days, which marks the beginning of a ten-day period of penitence and spiritual renewal.

September 12 MUHARRAM • Islamic The month of Muharram marks the beginning of the Islamic liturgical year.

September 13 GANESH CHATURTHI • Hindu Celebrates the birthday of Ganesha

September 15– October 15 Full Month NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH Celebrates the contributions, heritage and culture of Hispanic and Latino Americans.

September 17 CONSTITUTION DAY AND CITIZENSHIP DAY commemorates the ratification of the United States Constitution in 1787. Also honors all who have become U.S. citizens.

September 19 YOM KIPPUR • Jewish The “Day of Atonement” marks the end of the Ten Days of Penitence that begin with Rosh Hashanah.

September 21 ASHURA • Islamic A day of fasting observed on the 10th day of the month of Muharram to celebrate Moses’ exodus from Egypt.

September 23 BI VISIBILITY DAY Seeks to draw attention to public policy concerns and foster respect for bi+ individuals and communities.

September 24 - 30 SUKKOT • Jewish The week-long “Feast of Booths” commemorates the 40-year wandering of the Israelites in the desert on the way to the Promised Land.
3rd World Congress on Nurse-Midwifery and Women’s Health Nurse Practitioners
Theme: Midwives: A Voice for Healthy Family
September 26-27, 2018
Chicago, Illinois

2018 AAMN Annual LEAP Conference
October 4-6, 2018
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

GLMA Nursing Summit
Annual Conference on LGBTQ Health
October 10, 2018
Las Vegas, NV

Transcultural Approaches to Advance Health Care
Transcultural Nursing Society International Conference.
October 17-20, 2018
San Antonio, TX

Improving OUTcomes Conference for LGBTQ+ Health
October 19-20, 2018
Embassy Suites Riverfront Promenade
Sacramento, CA

2018 ANCC National Magnet Conference
October 24-26, 2018
Denver, CO

25th World Congress on Nursing & Healthcare
Innovating the Advanced Practices in Nursing & Healthcare
November 08-09  Sydney, Australia

National Conference for Nurse Practitioners in Acute Care (NPAC)
November 7-8, 2018
Las Vegas, NV
Ethnic-minority nursing organizations & websites

- American Association of Indian Nurses - New Jersey
- DiversityNursing.com
- MinorityNurse.com
- National Alaska Native American Indian Nurses Association (NANAINA)
- National American Arab Nurses’ Association
- National Association of Hispanic Nurses
- National Association of Indian Nurses of America
- National Black Nurses Association
- National Coalition of Ethnic Minority Nurse Associations
- Philippine Nurses Association of America
- Association of American Colleges
- American Association of Colleges of Nursing