VUSN Diversity in Action
Cultural Diversity Calendar of Events

March 2017

The Office of Diversity and Inclusion - 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. Explore the monthly announcements and find out what’s going on in the area of diversity and nursing. Enjoy.

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## March is Women's History Month

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<td><strong>Writing (that) Matters: Connecting Pleasure, Principles, and Publication</strong></td>
<td>Women in the Academy. Led by Iloma Nwankwo, Assistant Provost for Strategic Initiatives and Partnerships. <strong>Wednesday, March 1</strong> 12:00–1:30 p.m. • Buttrick 123</td>
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<td><strong>Embrace</strong></td>
<td>Screening and film discussion • International Lens Film Series. <strong>Wednesday, March 1</strong> 7:30 p.m. • Sarratt Cinema</td>
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<td><strong>Meeting at the Crossroad: Intersectionality in Our Students and Ourselves</strong></td>
<td>Talk about it. Thursday. Led by Briana Perry, Margaret Cuninggim Women’s Center. <strong>Thursday, March 2</strong> 12:00–1:30 p.m. • Sarratt 216/220</td>
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<td><strong>National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day</strong></td>
<td>HIV testing and photo campaign. <strong>Wednesday, March 15</strong> 12:00–2:00 p.m. • Margaret Cuninggim Women’s Center</td>
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<td><strong>World Wide Woman: Immigration and Feminism</strong></td>
<td>Led by Vanderbilt Feminists. <strong>Wednesday, March 15</strong> 6:00 p.m. • Alumni Lounge</td>
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<td><strong>Pushout: The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools</strong></td>
<td>Group discussion of Monique W. Morris’s book. <strong>Thursday, March 16</strong> 12:00 p.m. • Black Cultural Center</td>
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<td><strong>Feminist Friday</strong></td>
<td><strong>Friday, March 17</strong> 12:00–2:00 p.m. • Margaret Cuninggim Women’s Center</td>
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<td><strong>Get Out of Your Own Way! Overcoming the Roadblocks to Success as a Woman Leader</strong></td>
<td>Work-Life Workshop. Led by Krystal Clark, Student Leadership Development. <strong>Monday, March 20</strong> 12:00–1:00 p.m. • Sarratt 363</td>
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<td><strong>Can Feminists Be Funny?</strong></td>
<td>Kitchen Table Series. <strong>Monday, March 20</strong> 5:00 p.m. • Sarratt 363</td>
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<td><strong>From the Center of the Earth to the Stars: The Unknown History of Women in Science</strong></td>
<td>Rachel Swaby, author of Headstrong: 52 Women Who Changed Science — and the World. <strong>Tuesday, March 21</strong> 3:00 p.m. • Featheringill Hall 134</td>
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<td><strong>Challenges and Opportunities for Women in STEM</strong></td>
<td>Panel Discussion. <strong>Tuesday, March 21</strong> 4:00 p.m. • Featheringill Hall 134</td>
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<td><strong>Pushout: Countering the Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools</strong></td>
<td>Cuninggim Lecture. Monique W. Morris, cofounder of the National Black Women’s Justice Institute on Women in Culture and Society. <strong>Thursday, March 23</strong> 5:00 p.m. • Student Life Center Board of Trust</td>
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<td><strong>Facing Pecola: Toward a Womanist Soteriologic of Black Girl Disrespectability</strong></td>
<td>Antoinette Brown Lecture • Ebony Marshall Turman, Yale University Divinity School. <strong>Thursday, March 23</strong> 7:00 p.m. • Benton Chapel</td>
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<td><strong>Meg Wolitzer • Fiction Reading</strong></td>
<td>Vanderbilt Visiting Writers. <strong>Thursday, March 23</strong> 7:00 p.m. • Buttrick 102</td>
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March is Bisexual Health Awareness Month

**Coming Out as Bi to Your Doctor**

Bi Tennessee, a local bisexual awareness group, will host a discussion to help address health disparities and ways the community can survive and thrive.

**When:** Wednesday, March 8; Doors open 6:00 PM, Discussion from 6:30 to 7:45 PM, event ends by 8 PM

**Where:** Flatrock Coffee, Tea & More, located at 2640 Suite C, Nolensville Pike

- Note that the venue treats Bi Salon as a private event; the business is not open to the general public during this time.

For more information, contact Lauren Beach at 612-202-6293. Click [here](#) to find out more information for events this month.

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**Stigma and Physical Health Disparities in LGBTQI Populations**

The Vanderbilt Program for LGBTI Health cordially invites you to attend LGBTI Grand Rounds, given by Laura Beach, JD/PhD, from noon to 1:00 PM on Monday, March 13, in 202 Light Hall. Lauren will present **Stigma and Physical Health Disparities in LGBTQI Populations**.

Lunch is available to the first 50 people who RSVP electronically. To attend the lecture and reserve your lunch, please RSVP [here](#).

Lauren Beach is an innovative sexual and gender minority (SGM) health researcher who has a passion for asking and answering scientific questions. As Director of LGBTI Research at Vanderbilt University Medical Center and a JD trained to specialize in health law and bioethics, she serves as a content expert in the ethical recruitment, retention and community engagement of SGM participants in clinical, genomic and precision medicine research studies.
Global VU, Vanderbilt’s international affairs journal, aims to highlight global health work being done at Vanderbilt and by international partners in an effort to connect faculty, students, and staff interested in global health, as well as to raise awareness of issues impacting the health of people around the world. The Global Health Field Notes section includes recent blog posts authored by members of the Vanderbilt community. Read the latest blog posts [here].

Vanderbilt students, staff and faculty are encouraged to contribute to this new global health section. Click [here] to submit information.
March is NATIONAL WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH
Honors women as significant agents of historical change.

March 1 ASH WEDNESDAY • Western Christian
The first day of Lent for Western Christian churches, a 40-day period of spiritual preparation for Easter, not counting Sundays.

March 2-March 20 NINETEEN-DAY FAST • Bahá’í
Baha’is between 15 and 70 years of age do not eat or drink from sunrise to sunset and set aside time for prayer and meditation.

March 12 MAGHA PUJA • Buddhist
Also known as Sangha Day, it commemorates the spontaneous assembly of 1,250 arahants, completely enlightened monks, in the historical Buddha's presence.

March 12 PURIM • Jewish
The “Feast of Lots” marks the salvation of the Jews of ancient Persia from extermination.

March 13 HOLLA MOHALLA • Sikh
An annual event which is a martial arts parade historically coinciding with Holi, the Hindu festival of colors. Celebrations related to Holla Mohalla may be held in various locations over several weekends preceding the actual date of the holiday.

March 13 HOLI • Hindu
Also called Holaka or Phagwa, this festival celebrates spring and commemorates various events in Hindu mythology.

March 17 ST. PATRICK’S DAY • Christian
Feast day of the patron saint of Ireland. In the U.S., a secular version is celebrated by people of all faiths through appreciation of all things Irish.

March 21 INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION
Call to action to eliminate all forms of racial discrimination worldwide.

March 21 NOWRÚZ • Zoroastrian
A traditional ancient Iranian festival celebrating the first day of Spring and the Iranian New Year. Also celebrated as New Year’s Day in Bahá’í tradition (Naw-Ruz).

March 31 CESAR CHAVEZ DAY
Honors Mexican American farm worker, labor leader and activist Cesar Chavez (1927-1993) who was a nationally respected voice for social justice.
Conferences

Asian American/Pacific Islander Nurses Association, Inc.
14th Annual National Conference
March 24-26, 2017
University of HI at Manoa
Honolulu, HI
http://aapina.org/aapinas-2017-conference/

Global Health & Innovation Conference 14th Annual Conference
April 22-23, 2017
Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut
http://www.uniteforsight.org/conference/

2017 Alaska Native American Indian Nurses Association, Inc.
Annual National Convention
June 17-19, 2017
Minneapolis, MN
http://nanainanurses.org/?page_id=353

2017 National Association of Hispanic Nurses Annual Conference
July 18-21, 2017
Arizona Biltmore
Phoenix, AZ
http://www.nahnnet.org/docs/Save_the_Date_Flyer.pdf

Philippine Nurses Association of America, Inc. 38th Annual National Convention
Aboard Royal Caribbean
July 23-30, 2017
http://www.mypnna.org/

National Black Nurses Association, Inc.
July 30-August 4, 2017
Mandalay Bay Resort & Casino
Las Vegas, NV
http://www.nbna.org/conf

43rd Annual Conference Transcultural Nursing Society
October 18-21, 2017
Hotel Monteleone in the French Quarter
New Orleans, LA