

The Student Affairs Diversity Council (SADC) strives to cultivate an environment that embraces and promotes the broad scope of diversity within the division.

Pursuit of Inclusion Award Presented to Andrew Kahrs

It was an honor to present this year's Pursuit of Inclusion Award to Andrew Kahrs, from Housing and Residential Education. Andrew currently serves on the HRE's Social Justice and Sustainability Committees. His work on the sustainability has led him to be selected as the HRE representative on the Student Affairs Sustainability Committee, which he is now serving as the co-chair.

Andrew has volunteered his time and abilities to help out at the Pride Center in Salt Lake City on the weekends and in helping plan local events in the community.

Among many others, he's attended all of the Student Affairs Diversity series lectures; Safe Zone Training; and MLK, Pride Week, Woman's Week presentations.

Andrew is well known for being committed and passionate in helping to create a world where equity is the norm, and not the exception.

He is an ally and advocate unafraid to speak up on behalf of a person or group that is being put down, but never comes



across as threatening or confrontational. He always works to make it a learning experience.

Andrew creates an environment and workplace that seeks to better the lives of students and colleagues and he sees social justice as a tool to improve our lives and the lives of future generations.

These activities not only show commitment to continuing his own education but also shows support of those who take time and effort to plan these programs. He often brings others to these events and then expands the learning experience by continuing an open dialog with others after the events are over. A colleague writes, "We don't get sidetracked from work too much but, when we do, it is often to discuss an article he has read about LGBTQ issues, racism in the school system, or the immigration debate. From these discussions, I'm able to continue to re-evaluate my thoughts and actions."

On behalf of the Student Affairs Diversity Council, we congratulate Andrew and thank him for his pursuit of inclusion on campus and in the community.

Diversity Training Certificate Program Begins for 2013

Beginning in 2013, the SADC is offering a diversity training certificate program. We are excited for this opportunity to be made available to all Student Affairs staff. Our hope is that as you complete the program, you will increase your commitment to maintaining an inclusive atmosphere within the Student Affairs division, and the campus as a whole.

For details, please check the SADC website, at: sadc.utah.edu. We hope to see many of you at our trainings.



Events for Martin Luther King Junior Day

Saturday, January 19

MLK Day of Service
8:30 a.m.
Bennion Center, Union Building
A light breakfast will be served at 8:30 a.m., followed by carpool to various service sites at 9:00. Service lasts until 12 noon. More information and pre-register at Bennioncenter.org.



Black in America (expressed, of course, to a musical beat!).

Wednesday, January 23

The Interrupters Film Screening & Panel Discussion
7:00 p.m., Saltair Room, Union Building
A documentary on a community, non-profit organization aimed to end violence and conflict in Chicago.

Thursday, January 24

Keynote Address
Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, Founder and President of Rainbow PUSH Coalition
Noon, Huntsman Center
Rev. Jesse Jackson is a world-renowned civil rights activist and politician who worked closely with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and has since continued the fight for social change. This event is free, although tickets are required for entry.

Monday, January 21

5th Annual MLK, Jr. Celebration Rally & Parade
Featuring Dr. Brenda J. Burrell, President-Elect, Utah Chapter of the National Association for Multicultural Education
2:00 pm Rally/3:00 pm Parade
East High School Auditorium
840 South 1300 East
Brief presentations will be offered at East High School followed by a 1.3-mile parade (march/parade) to the University of Utah President's Circle. Please dress for the weather and for walking.



Comedian Cory Zooman Miller
7:00 p.m., Gardner Hall
In honor of the presidential swearing-in happening earlier in the week, comedian Cory Zooman Miller will demonstrate his impressive impersonation of President Barack Obama.

Tuesday, January 22

Panel Discussion "Education Access: At What Cost?"
12:30 p.m., East Ballroom, Union Building

"A Look at America's Dark Side"
From Utah's First African-American Theatre Company
7:00 p.m., East Ballroom, Union Building
A dramatic and poetic depiction of what it means to be

Find more information on these campus community events at:
<http://diversity.utah.edu/events/martin-luther-king>

Check the online KUED Schedule for information regarding many of the Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Black History Month specials airing in the months of January and February.



Debra Daniels, Co-chair Women's Resource Center
Kari Ellingson, Co-chair Student Development
Michael Bard, Registrar's Office
Kajsa Berlin-Kaufusi, Center for Learning Abroad
Arlyn Bradshaw, Dean of Students Office
Karen Cone-Uemura, Counseling Center
Branden Dalley, Union Administration
Nelly Divricean, International Center
Kris Fenn, Bennion Center
Eduardo Galindo, ASUU Student
Adrienne Howell, TRiO
Nedra Hotchkins, Graduate Student
Scott Jensen, Housing & Residential Education

Trisha Jensen, Orientation & Leadership Development
Suzanne Jones, Registrar's Office
Carol MacNicholl, Center for Disability Services
Kai Medina-Martinez, LGBT Center
Susan Miller, Campus Recreation
Sana Muller, ASUU
Sam Ortiz, Student
Rachana Patel, Office of Admissions
Cynthia Powell, Student Health Center
Valery Pozo, Career Services
Erica Rojas, Financial Aid & Scholarships
Claudia Snow, Union Administration

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