January

Tuesday, January 22
Noon
BTC Auditorium

We Are All Connected

H. Carl McCall, New York State Comptroller, will honor the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. In his address, Mr. McCall will discuss the transcendental ideas of Dr. King and how they apply today.

February

Wednesday, February 6
11 a.m.
BTC Auditorium

The Many Faces of Profiling

Dr. Alice Green, Executive Director for the Center of Law and Justice, and Commander Paula Breen of the Albany Police Department will discuss the practice of profiling, explain its impact on the community, and define the related legal issues. Professor Peter Sanzen of the Criminal Justice Department at Hudson Valley Community College will moderate this panel.

Wednesday, February 20
Noon
BTC Auditorium

Ain't No Love in the Heart of the City: the Politics and Pleasures of Hip-Hop

Dr. Mark Anthony Neal, author of What the Music Said: Black Popular Music and Black Public Culture, holds an appointment in the Department of English at the University at Albany where he teaches courses in African-American Cultural Studies and Critical Theory. He will examine the emergence of hip-hop as a distinct urban-based, expressive culture that speaks to the alienation, isolation, and abandonment of black youth in America's cities.
Islam: Myths and Reality

Lobna “Luby” Ismail, the founder and executive director of Connecting Cultures, Inc. in Washington, D.C., will answer questions and correct misinformation about the 1.2 billion Muslims of the world. More than six million Muslims live in the United States, and the events of September 11, 2001, make it important to have an accurate understanding of Islam.

Paths of Professional Women

What are the critical decisions and unique life events that ultimately lead to success in careers? Pamela Angell, Tamu Chambers-Hasan, Denise Landry, and Ruth Major will share their personal experiences that led them into business, social science, civil service, and geology. Their paths have been challenging, their choices demanding. Wilhelmina Abraham, a Counselor in the Educational Opportunity Program at Hudson Valley Community College, will be the moderator.

The History of Islamic Fundamentalism and Afghanistan

Dr. Karl Barbir, a professor at Siena College who teaches courses on the history of Islam and the Middle East, will be lecturing on the impact of Islamic fundamentalism on Afghanistan and the rest of the Arab world. He also will discuss its impact upon current events and hypothesize on the future of the movement.

Vietnam: What Lessons Have We Learned?

Mary Reynolds Powell is the author of A World of Hurt: Between Innocence and Arrogance in Vietnam. She was a U.S. Army nurse stationed at the 24th Evacuation Hospital at Long Binh in 1970-71. Ms. Powell will discuss her experiences in Vietnam and share her perspectives on lessons learned – or not learned – and their implications for our current national policy.
Wednesday, April 10
Noon – 2 p.m.
BTC Meeting
Room 3

Readings from
Threads:
A Student Magazine

The English Department presents readings by Hudson Valley Community College students, staff, and faculty from the 2002 issue of Threads.

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