

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, MARCH 29

Inclusion Now! Social Justice Festival – Intersections of Race and Gender: The Black and Trans Experience
Noon [RSVP](#)

Say Her Name Vigil
8 p.m. Sunwatcher Plaza

TUESDAY, MARCH 30

Softball vs. Southeastern Okla.
2 & 4 p.m. Durant, Okla.

i.d.e.a MSU Orientation
3:30 p.m. Dillard 274D

Inclusion Now! Social Justice Festival – Differences Do Not Mean Deficits
4 p.m.
[RSVP](#)

Men's Soccer at UT-Permian Basin
5:30 p.m. Odessa, Texas

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

Inclusion Now! Social Justice Festival – Unlearning Racism in Academia and Beyond
Noon [RSVP](#)

Women's Soccer vs. A&M-Commerce
5 p.m. MSU Soccer Field

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

Student Holiday Break – No Classes

Voices of Change Series: Restore Our Earth Exhibition
All Day Moffett Library and [Virtual](#)

MSU Tennis vs. UT Permian Basin
2 p.m. MSU Tennis Center

FRIDAY, APRIL 2

University Offices Closed for Holiday Break
All Day

Women's Track at David Noble Relays
All Day San Angelo, Texas

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

MSU Tennis vs. Western New Mexico
9 a.m. MSU Tennis Center

AROUND CAMPUS

Inclusion Now! 2021 Social Justice Festival

Inclusion Now!, a multi-week social justice festival using art, entertainment and educational programming to enhance the MSU Texas community's understanding of the shared humanity at the root of local, national and global issues, continues through Thursday, April 1.

Monday, March 29, noon-2 p.m. – Intersections of Race and Gender: The Black and Trans Experience

Join Sybastian Smith from Black Trans Men Inc. for a workshop examining issues born out of the intersectionality of race and gender. This deeper look into the issues faced by queer people of color will help to expand your understanding of social inequities in the world around us. [RSVP for Intersections of Race and Gender online workshop.](#)

Tuesday, March 30, 4-5:30 p.m. – Differences Do Not Mean Deficits

Join Assistant Professor of Education Kelly Medellin and Assistant Professor of Curriculum and Learning Dittika Gupta for an exploration of social justice in the education environment. This workshop will examine the intersectional issues that can often compound educational deficits. How can we avoid contributing to these deficits ourselves? [RSVP for the Differences Do Not Mean Deficits online workshop.](#)

Wednesday, March 31, noon-2 p.m. – Unlearning Racism in Academia and Beyond

Assistant Professor of Geosciences Anna Weiss and Margaret Brown Marsden, Dean of the McCoy College of Science, Mathematics & Engineering will guide workshop attendees through the struggles and successes of implementing an anti-racist toolkit in the geosciences. This workshop will help you develop your own toolkit for unlearning racism in the professional world. How do we find material to help in our growth? How do we hold ourselves and each other

accountable? [RSVP for the Unlearning Racism in Academia and Beyond online workshop.](#)

Thursday, April 8, noon-2 p.m. – Critical Conversations: Celebration of Cultures
Join Ruby Garrett, Assistant Director of the MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center, and representatives from a variety of multicultural organizations on campus as they introduce you to the background on a number of important cultural events celebrated at MSU Texas. A lack of knowledge and shyness can often prevent people from participating in or asking questions about events and holidays outside our cultural scope. This panel is an opportunity to listen, learn, and ask questions about these celebrations and important occasions. [RSVP for the Critical Conversation online workshop.](#)

Thursday, April 8, 8 p.m. or sundown, – Black Panther Drive-In Screening on the Quad

Celebrate the final weeks of our spring semester with an outdoor screening of the biggest social justice blockbuster of all time, *Black Panther*. Come to the quad for free snacks and a socially-distanced good time. [RSVP for the Black Panther Outdoor Screening.](#)

For more information, email jonathon.quam@msutexas.edu, christopher.damico@msutexas.edu or ruby.garrett@msutexas.edu.

Say Her Name Vigil

WISE (Women In Support of Empowerment) invites the campus to the SAY HER NAME Vigil to reflect, mourn, and celebrate the lives of innocent women of color who have been victims of social and political injustice. Check-in for the event will begin at 6 p.m. Monday, March 29, and the vigil will begin at 8 p.m. in Sunwatcher Plaza.

Many are familiar with the countless acts of injustice and violence against men of color, especially many of the high-profile incidents such as Trayvon Martin, Eric Garner, Tamir Rice, and George Floyd. However, until

Breonna Taylor's murder last year, many women of color who have also been victims of injustice have gone unnoticed, unreported, and unrecognized.

WISE is an initiative from the MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center created to foster healthy community, conversation, and empowerment for women students of color at MSU. For more information, contact the MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center at ext. 4947.

Restore our Earth

The Harvey School of Visual Arts and the Fain College of Fine Arts will present Restore Our Earth, a [two-part immersive virtual exhibition](#) that presents diverse views and concerns for the environment, and engages viewers both aesthetically and emotionally as they explore this universally important topic. The exhibition will consist of an online exhibition and a projected installation in the windows of Moffett Library. This event is part of the Voices of Change series. For more information, contact Leah Gose at leah.gose@msutexas.edu.

Holiday Break

No classes will be held Thursday, April 1, through Saturday, April 3. University offices will be closed Friday, April 2.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Harvey Art Gallery Exhibitions

The Juanita Harvey Art Gallery will present exhibitions of student photography and ceramics from resident artist Michelle Castro. The exhibitions will run through April 9. Hours are Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m. Groups of 10 or more need to call ahead to schedule a visit. For more information, call the Fain Fine Arts Department of Art at ext. 4264.

Faculty Recital: Dr. Ruth Morrow

The Department of Music will present a faculty recital with Professor of Music Ruth Morrow on piano at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 6, via [livestream](#). The recital will feature solo piano music commemorating Armenian Genocide, the Trail of Tears, the Underground Railroad, the Dachau Death March of April 1945, and the separation of parents and children at the US-Mexico border. For more information, call ext. 4267. The concert is part of the Voices of Change series offering music that addresses human rights issues and music from diverse composers.

Celebration of Scholarship

The McAda Graduate School and the Office of Undergraduate Research invite the MSU community to the Virtual Spring

2021 Celebration of Scholarship and the 16th Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Forum. The COS/UGRCA Forum is hosted by Symposium.Forageron.com and begins at 9 a.m. April 7 and ends at 5 p.m. April 9.

[View the virtual COS/UGRCA Forum online.](#)

The event features a variety of research and creative activity presentations by MSU faculty, graduate students, undergraduate students, and Fain Elementary students. A special addition to the Spring Forum is the Graduate Three Minute Thesis™ Competition. To leave comments and interact with presenters, attendees will need to register on the Symposium site using your institutional email (@my.msutexas.edu or @msutexas.edu and @wfsid.net). After leaving a comment, attendees will receive an email from the host site when the presenters respond, to continue the dialogue attendees should log in and respond. All comments are monitored and should remain on topic and promote a positive and constructive conversation.

The full program will be available on the [EURECA webpage](#) April 5. For more information, contact the Office of Undergraduate Research at ext. 6275 or eureca@msutexas.edu.

Speakers & Issues Series:

Trammel S. Crow, EarthX founder

Dallas businessman, philanthropist, and the founder of EarthX, the world's largest eco-celebration, will be the next speaker for Midwestern State University's Speakers & Issues Series. Trammell S. Crow will speak about "EarthX – Past/Present/Future" at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 8, at the Wichita Falls Museum of Art at MSU Texas.

EarthX is the largest annual exposition and forum displaying initiatives, research, innovations, policies, and corporate practices to create solutions for protecting the oceans, forests, and climate. The three-day exhibition brings together communities, education, businesses, families, government, music, influential public figures, and more for the Earth Day weekend. Since its inception in 2011, EarthX has had 775,000 attendees, 680 exhibitors, and 400 speakers.

Admission is free; donations are welcome. For more information, contact Associate Professor of History whitney.snow@msutexas.edu.

First Friday Concert with Dr. Ruth Morrow

The Department of Music will present the First Friday concert with Dr. Ruth Morrow featuring spirituals at 5:15 p.m. Friday, April 9, via [livestream](#). The concert is part of the Voices of

Change series offering music that addresses human rights issues and music from diverse composers. Morrow is Professor of Music and the Bolin Distinguished Chair of Piano. For more information, call ext. 4267.

Latin People in the Workforce: Gabriel Duran

Gabriel Duran's virtual presentation of "Latino Culture and Love of Film" at 5 p.m. Friday, April 9, will conclude the 2021 Latin People in the Workplace series. For more information, contact Dr. Claudia Montoya at ext. 4259.

JOBS

An EEO/ADAAA Compliance Employer

Coordinator, Small Business Development

Department: Small Business Development Center

Starting Date: As soon as possible

Starting Salary: \$2,358.17 monthly, plus benefits

Maintenance Technician

Department: Facilities Services

Starting Date: As soon as possible

Starting Salary: \$2,197.17 monthly, plus benefits

Residence Hall Maintenance Technician

Department: Facilities Services

Starting Date: As soon as possible

Starting Salary: \$2,197.17 monthly, plus benefits

Project Specialist

Department: Residence Life and Housing

Starting Date: As soon as possible

Starting Salary: \$2,531 monthly, plus benefits

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Claudia Montoya, Professor of Spanish, presented a paper on the novel *Seis formas de morir en Texas*, by Spanish writer Marina Perezagua, at the XXVIII Coloquio Internacional de Literatura Mexicana e Hispanoamericana, conducted virtually on March 5-6. She also read some original poetry at the same event.

Ann Marie Leimer, Professor at the Harvey School of Visual Arts, and **Laura E. Pérez** (UC Berkeley) have received the fall 2020 Wyeth Foundation for American Art Publication Grant that will support the publication of their co-edited anthology, *Consuelo Jimenez Underwood: Art, Weaving, Vision* which will be published by Duke University Press in 2022.

FROM THE BOOKSTORE

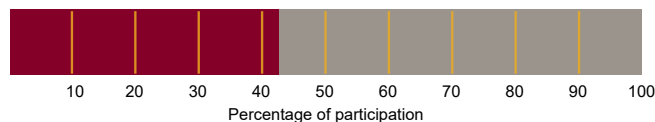
Faculty note on graduation ceremony

If faculty members are in need of regalia for the May 2021 graduation ceremony, please contact the bookstore at extension 4303 or email jenny.denning@msutexas.edu.



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To date, 281 employees, or 42.45%, have given to the campaign. Learn more at the [Boundless Opportunities webpage](#).



The **Fain College of Fine Arts** reached 100 percent status, one of the nine departments to reach that status in 2020-21. Pictured, left to right, are **Dr. Martin Camacho**, **Emma Brown**, and **Gidget Pettibon**.