

Friday 3rd	7:30pm – Radford - "Dark Side of the Moon" Planetarium Show
Saturday 4th	12:00pm – Roanoke - Lunar New Year Celebration
Tuesday 7th	5:30pm – Roanoke - Black Family Health Forum
Wednesday 8th	7:30pm – Roanoke - Soul Sessions Renaissance: Our Voice, Our Moments
Sunday 12th	6:00pm – Blacksburg - DPN Super Bowl Watch Party
Monday 13th	12:00pm – Virtual - Women of Color Healing Hour
Wednesday 15th	11:30am – Roanoke - Presentation of “Celebrating Gainsboro”
Thursday 16th	6:00pm – Christiansburg - Emerald Dance Studio Class
Saturday 18th	9:00am – Blacksburg - Uplifting Black Men Conference
Friday 24th	4:00pm – Blacksburg - Mama Dip's Southern Dessert Reception
Tuesday 28th	7:30pm – Blacksburg - Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater - Special DPN Group Discount Price!
Wednesday Mar 1st	7:30pm – Blacksburg - Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater - Special DPN Group Discount Price!

Dark Side of the Moon



The "Dark Side of the Moon" will return for a few special showings on the album's 50th Anniversary! This amazing show is produced by Michigan State University's Abrams Planetarium and is their vision of the classic 1973 rock album. This is not a laser show, but rather a full-dome visualization of the entire 43 minutes of the Pink Floyd masterpiece. Sit back and enjoy our 5.1 Surround Sound system as it takes you on a journey that can only be described as "trippy!" All shows are free and everyone is invited. Free

parking is available throughout Radford University Lot C or B at night after 6:00 PM and on weekends. The Radford University Planetarium is located at 925 East Main Street in Radford, VA on the Main Street Floor of the Center For The Sciences Building on the campus of Radford University. For more information, visit: <http://planetarium.radford.edu/> or <https://www.facebook.com/radfordplanetarium> or call 540-831-5652.

Lunar New Year with Local Colors + Roanoke Valley Sister Cities



Celebrate Lunar New Year, Year of the Rabbit, with dragon dances, martial arts performances, singing, and more! Bring the whole family out to **the Taubman Museum of Art in Roanoke** to learn about the cultural traditions of your Asian friends and neighbors right here in southwest Virginia. From meeting the performers to creating your own Year of the Rabbit-themed artwork, this is a fun, FREE event you don't want to miss! [Click here for more information.](#)

Black Family Health Forum



Black Family Health

DIVERSITY, INCLUSION, AND
BELONGING SERIES

VTC | Virginia Tech Carilion
School of Medicine

In honor of Black History Month, Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine, invites you to Roanoke for the first Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging event of 2023 titled Black Family Health. This community focused event aims to highlight health equity and health outcomes for the Black family as a whole and also the key role that the Black physicians play in our community. For more information click the link>>

<https://medicine.vtc.vt.edu/events/20230207.html>

Soul Sessions Renaissance: Our Voice, Our Moments



Soul Sessions Roanoke is excited to invite you to the Grandin Theatre to celebrate our tribute to the Harlem Renaissance as we celebrate Black History Month. Come join us for music, poetry, and dance with Renaissance: Our Voice, Our Moments. The show will be from 7:30 pm till 10 pm and will have live music provided by Roscoe McFadden and his amazing jazz band. We will also have local and regional poets taking the stage. Price \$12. [Get your tickets here.](https://soulsessionsofroanoke.com)

Diverse Professionals Network Super Bowl Watch Party

DIVERSE PROFESSIONALS NETWORK **SUNDAY**
SUPERBOWL WATCH PARTY **FEB 12TH**
STARTS AT 6PM



Refreshments will be provided.

DPN Diverse Professionals Network
New River & Roanoke Valleys

LOCATION
MCCLAIN'S AT FIRST & MAIN 1614 S MAIN ST,
BLACKSBURG, VA 24060

Join the Diverse Professionals Network at **McClain's at First and Main** in Blacksburg at 6pm for an event that will allow you to network with diverse professionals who work and serve across the New River and Roanoke Valley's. Refreshments will be provided and drinks for purchase at the bar will also be available. Space is limited so [reserve your ticket here](#).

Women of Color Healing Hour

FACULTY WOMEN OF COLOR IN THE ACADEMY NATIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTS...

Women of Color Healing Hour

Monday, February 13, 2023 at 12PM EST

Open Your Heart, Open Your Voice

Facilitated on Zoom by

Shea Rose

Yoga and Vocal Coach



To register for this free virtual event
visit: <http://bit.ly/3FIKwM2>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email
containing information about joining the meeting.



The Women of Color Healing Hour will be hosted virtually by FWCA (*Faculty Women of Color in the Academy National Conference*). This event will be facilitated by [Shea Rose](#) who is an Afrocentric Embodied Voice Coach and Yoga Instructor as well as a professor at Berklee College of Music. This event is FREE and open to ALL women of color scholars (professors, administrators, graduate students, K-12, independent researchers) who serve in or adjacent to academia. You do not have to be registered for the FWCA conference to attend. You must be registered to attend. [RSVP Here](#).

Presentation of “Celebrating Gainsboro”



The Virginia Tech Roanoke Center, the Roanoke Higher Education Center, and Roanoke Public Libraries have teamed up to offer “Celebrating Gainsboro,” a presentation about the rich history of Roanoke’s once-thriving Black neighborhood. Gainsboro was once a vibrant center of Black culture and business, bustling at one point with over 200 Black-owned businesses. Filmmaker Oscar Mischeaux had ties to Gainsboro, along with other Black historical figures such as civil rights attorney Oliver Hill and educator Lucy Addison. For more information about this event [click here](#) or [to learn more about the historical Black neighborhood click here](#).

Emerald Dance Studio Class

Emerald Dance Studio



Free Beginner Dance Fusion Class for all ages!

Gather yourself and your family and head to Christiansburg for FREE Beginner Dance Fusion Classes Thursdays in February! Class is from 6pm -7pm is located at the Christiansburg Library. For questions or more information contact dance instructor Sparkle at swilliams@gmail.com

8th Annual Uplifting Black Men Conference

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8TH ANNUAL UPLIFTING BLACK MEN CONFERENCE

RETHINKING EXCELLENCE

Resilience and Black Male Success

FEB. 18

9 AM - 5 PM



KEYNOTE:
DR. BRYAN K. HOTCHKINS
TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY



Rethinking Excellence: Resilience and Black Male Success. Black resilience is one of the hallmark attributes of African American culture. It has not only helped us survive racial hostility but has also empowered the Black community to be agents of change in society. In the 8th Annual Uplifting Black Men Conference located at Squires Student Center, we seek to answer the questions: How do we use cultural resilience to improve academic resilience? How do we encourage our Black male students to share those gifts for the benefit of the community? How can stakeholders cultivate cultural resilience in Black male students? [Click here for more information and registration.](#)

Mama Dip's Southern Dessert Reception

 *Join us!*

MAMA DIP'S SOUTHERN DESSERT RECEPTION

a cultural story told in sweets
Friday, February 24
4-6pm in the BCC
Sponsored by
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For more information or to
request accommodations related
to disability, contact Brandy
(bfaulkne@vt.edu)




AFRICANA STUDIES
VIRGINIA TECH

Join Dr. Brandy Faulkner and the members of the Africana Studies program in the Black Cultural Center at 4pm in Squires Student Center as they celebrate Black History Month through a cultural story told in sweets. For questions contact Brandy at bfaulkne@vt.edu

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater - Special DPN Group Discount Price!



Come out to the Moss Arts Center to experience unparalleled artistry when Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater. These dancers dazzle with their technical brilliance and passionate energy, bringing audiences to their feet at every performance. Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater grew from a now-fabled performance in March 1958 at the 92nd Street Y in New York City. Led by Ailey and a group of young African American modern dancers, that performance forever changed the perception of American dance. Click on either of the links below to access your DPN discount!

- [Group Discount for Feb. 28th Performance](#)
- [Group Discount for Mar. 1st Performance](#)

These links will unlock the 10% group discount, labelled "Group (DPNGroup23)." For graduate and professional VT students your \$10 student ticket cannot be further discounted.

Diverse Professionals Celebration & Recognition

This month we recognize Dr. Bevelee Watford.



Dr. Watford has been chosen to serve on the National Science Board. Bev Watford, the Associate Dean for Equity and Engagement for the College of Engineering at Virginia Tech, will help oversee the National Science Foundation and advise federal officials on policy matters related to science, engineering, and science and engineering education. To learn more about her new board member role [click here](#).