





The American Program of the Humanity in Action Fellowship in Collaboration with the National Center for Civil and Human Rights

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WELCOME NOTES



I am pleased to welcome you to The Center for Civil and Human Rights!

Located in the heart of downtown Atlanta, the Center was first imagined by civil rights activists Evelyn Lowery and former United Nations Ambassador, Andrew Young and shared with former Atlanta Mayor Shirley Franklin. In June 2014 we opened our doors.

The Center is the only institution designed to connect the American Civil Rights Movement to broader international human rights movements. The Center educates, empowers and galvanizes individuals to collaborate in the protection of every human's rights and commitment to freedom and justice in their community, nation and the world.

The Center is honored to partner with a prestigious human rights focused educational organization in this program, Humanity in Action. I am certain that our investment in you will yield many positive results as you go forth on your journey of social change.

I hope you have an extraordinary experience in Atlanta over the next few weeks.

Warm regards,

Deborah J. Richardson

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Interim Chief Executive Officer

National Center for Civil and Human Rights



On behalf of Humanity in Action and the National Center for Civil and Human Rights, I want to congratulate you on becoming an inaugural John Lewis Fellow and welcome you to Atlanta, the *Cradle of the Civil Rights Movement*.

Over the next four weeks, we will hear from renowned scholars, activists and political leaders who have dedicated themselves to advancing civil and human rights in the United States and beyond. The curriculum is designed to contextualize the history and global impact of the long Civil Rights Movement, immigration reform and Native American issues.

The goal of Humanity in Action and the National Center for Civil and Human Rights is to create a program for emerging leaders to learn, engage in intellectual discourse and propose solutions to develop the skill sets needed to bring forth effective social, political and economic change that improves the lives of all human beings.

You will have the opportunity to explore Atlanta and see where history unfolded, movements took shape and leaders were groomed. This will be an incredible, transformative experience that will provide the framework to improve the world we share.

We are honored to name this fellowship after U.S. Representative John Lewis who, along with Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Dr. C.T. Vivian, Dr. Roslyn Pope, Ambassador Andrew Young and countless other leaders, fought to remove the stain of bigotry and hatred from the pages of American history.

As a Fellow, you will be challenged. You will be questioned. You will be pushed to your intellectual and moral boundaries, but in the end you will become a drum major for justice, a champion for freedom and a clarion for peace.

I hope you enjoy your time in Atlanta and in the program we have created for you. This is your time to learn, grow and shine.

I look forward to the journey.

With regards,

Karcheik Sims-Alvarado, PhD

John Lewis Fellowship Program Director

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ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP

The John Lewis Fellowship is a collaborative, international program on human and civil rights. The Fellowship is designed to give university students and recent graduates the opportunity to explore civil rights, immigration and Native American issues in Atlanta, Georgia. Over four weeks, 30 American and European Fellows meet with leaders across a variety of fields to discuss contemporary issues on race and racism, immigration, national identity and Native American issues. The Fellows are required to build upon these far-reaching discussions by producing Action Projects that grapple with these issues in society. In partnership with The Center for Civil and Human Rights, the program will take place in Atlanta, Georgia from July 5 to August 1, 2015.

MISSION

Humanity in Action developed the John Lewis Fellowship to promote dialogue on some of today's most pressing social issues. Through the John Lewis Fellowship, Humanity in Action aims to instill the values of human dignity and moral responsibility for the protection of the rights of minorities in a new generation of social, cultural and political leaders.

CURRICULUM

The John Lewis Fellowship explores America's unique history of diversity, immigration and civil rights along with present-day tensions related to minorities across the country. The program also touches on other major social and political issues in American life, such as suffrage and women's rights, LGBTQ issues, religion, labor, disability rights, poverty, class, criminal justice and incarceration, urban development, education, political participation and freedom of expression.

APPROACH

The fellowship program is highly interdisciplinary and features lectures and discussions with renowned academics, journalists, politicians and activists, as well as site visits to government agencies, non-profit and community organizations, museums and memorials. The program seeks to highlight different models of action to remedy injustice. Humanity in Action also aims to instill and promote human rights-in their own communities and around the world.

After the formal program, the Fellows complete Action Projects, which combat the issues discussed in the program in innovative ways. Upon successful completion of the program and completion of their Action Projects, Fellows are designated as Senior Fellows and join the international community of over 1,500 Humanity in Action Senior Fellows. The Senior Fellow network consists of leaders in the fields of public service, journalism, medicine, law, education, research, the arts, business and grassroots action. As Senior Fellows, program participants gain access to a range of educational and professional opportunities, such as study trips, conferences and professional internships in the European Parliament and the United States Congress.



ABOUT US REPRESENTATIVE JOHN LEWIS

Often called "one of the most courageous persons the Civil Rights Movement ever produced," John Lewis has dedicated his life to protecting human rights, securing civil liberties, and building what he calls "The Beloved Community" in America. His dedication to the highest ethical standards and moral principles has won him the admiration of many of his colleagues on both sides of the aisle in the United States Congress.

He has been called "the conscience of the United States Congress," and Roll Call magazine has said, "John Lewis...is a genuine American hero and moral leader who commands

widespread respect in the chamber."

He was born the son of sharecroppers on February 21, 1940, outside of Troy, Alabama. He grew up on his family's farm and attended segregated public schools in Pike County, Alabama. As a young boy, he was inspired by the activism surrounding the Montgomery Bus Boycott and the words of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., which he heard on radio broadcasts. In those pivotal moments, he made a decision to become a part of the Civil Rights Movement. Ever since then, he has remained at the vanguard of progressive social movements and the human rights struggle in the United States.

As a student at Fisk University, John Lewis organized sit-in demonstrations at segregated lunch counters in Nashville, Tennessee. In 1961, he volunteered to participate in the Freedom Rides, which challenged segregation at interstate bus terminals across the South. Lewis risked his life on those Rides many times by simply sitting in seats reserved for white patrons. He was also beaten severely by angry mobs and arrested by police for challenging the injustice of Jim Crow segregation in the South.

During the height of the Movement, from 1963 to 1966, Lewis was named Chairman of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), which he helped form. SNCC was largely responsible for organizing student activism in the Movement, including sit-ins and other activities.

While still a young man, John Lewis became a nationally recognized leader. By 1963, he was dubbed one of the Big Six leaders of the Civil Rights Movement. At the age of 23, he was an architect of and a keynote speaker at the historic March on Washington in August 1963

In 1964, John Lewis coordinated SNCC efforts to organize voter registration drives and community action programs during the Mississippi Freedom Summer. The following year, Lewis helped spearhead one of the most seminal moments of the Civil Rights Movement. Hosea Williams, another notable Civil Rights leader, and John Lewis led over 600 peaceful, orderly protestors across the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, Alabama on March 7, 1965. They intended to march from Selma to Montgomery to demonstrate the need for voting rights in the state. The marchers were attacked by Alabama state troopers in a brutal confrontation that became known as "Bloody Sunday." News broadcasts and photographs revealing the senseless cruelty of the segregated South helped hasten the passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Despite more than 40 arrests, physical attacks and serious injuries, John Lewis remained a devoted advocate of the philosophy of nonviolence. After leaving SNCC in 1966, he continued his commitment to the Civil Rights Movement as Associate Director of the Field Foundation and his participation in the Southern Regional Council's voter registration programs. Lewis went on to become the Director of the Voter Education Project (VEP). Under his leadership, the VEP transformed the nation's political climate by adding nearly four million minorities to the voter rolls.

In 1977, John Lewis was appointed by President Jimmy Carter to direct more than 250,000 volunteers of ACTION, the federal volunteer agency.

In 1981, he was elected to the Atlanta City Council. While serving on the Council, he was an advocate for ethics in government and neighborhood preservation. He was elected to Congress in November 1986 and has served as United States Representative of Georgia's Fifth Congressional District since then. He is Senior Chief Deputy Whip for the Democratic Party in leadership in the House, a member of the House Ways & Means Committee, a member of its Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support and Ranking Member of its Subcommittee on Oversight.

John Lewis holds a BA in Religion and Philosophy from Fisk University, and he is a graduate of the American Baptist Theological Seminary, both in Nashville, Tennessee. He has been awarded over 50 honorary degrees from prestigious colleges and universities throughout the United States, including Harvard University, Brown University, the University of Pennsylvania, Princeton University, Duke University, Morehouse College, Clark-Atlanta University, Howard University, Brandeis University, Columbia University, Fisk University and Troy State University.

John Lewis is the recipient of numerous awards from imminent national and international institutions, including the highest civilian honor granted by President Barack Obama, the Medal of Freedom, the Lincoln Medal from the historic Ford's Theatre, the Golden Plate Award given by the Academy of Excellence, the Preservation Hero award given by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the Capital Award of the National Council of La Raza, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Non-Violent Peace Prize, the President's Medal of Georgetown University, the NAACP Spingarn Medal, the National Education Association Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Award and the only John F. Kennedy "Profile in Courage Award" for Lifetime Achievement ever granted by the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation.

John Lewis is the co-author of the #1 New York Times bestselling graphic novel memoir trilogy MARCH. The first volume, MARCH: Book One, received a 2014 American Library Association (ALA) Coretta Scott King Book Award Author Honor, an ALA Notable Children's Book designation and was named one of YALSA's 2014 Top Ten Great Graphic Novels for Teens. It was named one of the best books of 2013 by USA Today, The Washington Post, Boston Globe, Publishers Weekly, Library Journal, School Library Journal, The Horn Book Review, Paste, Slate, Kirkus Reviews and Booklist, among others. He is also the author of *Across That Bridge: Life Lessons and a Vision for Change*, winner of the 2012 NAACP Image Award for Best Literary Work-Biography. His biography is entitled *Walking With The Wind: A Memoir of the Movement*. He is also the subject of two other books written about his life: *Freedom Riders: John Lewis and Jim Zwerg on the Front Lines of the Civil Rights Movement*, by Ann Bausum and *John Lewis in the Lead*, by Jim Haskins and Kathleen Benson, with illustrations by famous Georgia artist, Bennie Andrews.

He has been interviewed for numerous documentaries, news broadcasts and journals, including the The Colbert Report, Morning Joe, the Rachel Maddow Show, the Today show, CNN Headline News, CNN's American Morning, CSPAN's Washington Journal, Time Magazine, Newsweek Magazine, The New Yorker, The New York Times, The Washington Post, USA Today, the Atlanta Journal Constitution, the Boston Globe, the Dallas Morning News, the Miami Herald, the Philadelphia Tribune, Roll Call magazine and many more.

John Lewis lives in Atlanta, Georgia. He has one son, John Miles.

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SCHEDULE

>> Sunday, July 5

Introductions

Humanity in Action welcomes the inaugural cohort of the John Lewis Fellowship Program taking place in Atlanta, Georgia. Fellows will participate in an informal evening reception where they are introduced to Humanity in Action Founder and Executive Director, Judith Goldstein, program staff and peers. During dinner, each member will present a personal item of choice that tells a narrative about their life or home country.

Afternoon Fellows arrive at Georgia State University

Location: Georgia State University Housing Commons (2016 "P" Street NW)

17:00 Dinner and Introductions

>> Monday, July 6

Welcome and Orientation

The John Lewis Fellows are welcomed by Humanity in Action and the National Center for Civil and Human Rights. Before engaging in the program, Fellows will participate in an orientation that will acclimate them to the city and the program. Additionally, Fellows and staff will discuss the program schedule, policies, presentations and lauded guests will be discussed.

During the program, Fellows will be charged with writing an essay reflective of their collective observation of the civil and human rights exhibitions. As part of this teaching methodology, Fellows will engage in a two-step process of evaluating the exhibitions. The first observation of the exhibits will take place on July 6.

8:30 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 9:30	Introduction to Humanity in Action Judith Goldstein (Founder and Executive Director, Humanity in Action)
9:30 - 10:00	Introduction to the National Center for Civil and Human Rights Judith Montier (Vice President of Marketing, National Center for Civil and Human Rights)
10:00 - 10:20	Mission and Goals of the Exhibition David Mandel (Director of Exhibition and Design, National Center for Civil and Human Rights)
10:20 - 10:30	Evaluating the Exhibit and Writing Goal for the Program Karcheik Sims-Alvarado (John Lewis Fellowship Program Director, Humanity in Action)
10:30 - 12:15	Tour of the National Center for Civil and Human Rights exhibition (Part 1)
12:15 - 13:30	Lunch
13:30 - 14:45	Orientation, Structure of Program and of Humanity in Action Policies
14:45 - 15:00	Break
15:00 - 16:00	Policy, Guidelines and Expectations Michelle Issador (Vice President, Operations and Public Information)
16:00 - 17:00	Closing Conversation

>> Tuesday, July 7

Leadership and Social Justice Workshop

Fellows will engage in a daylong leadership workshop with Humanity in Action Senior Fellow Adam Chalker. The professional development session will offer exercises and tips that will strengthen leadership skills as agents of social justice.

8:30 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 10:30	You as a Leader Adam Chalker (Director of Customer Success, PlotWatt; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
10:30 - 11:00	Break
11:00 - 12:30	The Road Science of Leadership Adam Chalker
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 15:30	Crafting Your Leadership Declaration Adam Chalker
15:30 - 16:00	Break
16:00 - 17:00	Practices to Deepen Your Learning Adam Chalker

>> Wednesday, July 8

Quest for Political, Economic, and Personal Autonomy in the United States

Through the examination of the long Civil Rights Movement (from 1865-1965), one is able to understand more fully the evolution of the Human Rights Movement. The presenters will offer a historical overview of African-Americans' quest for personal, political and economic autonomy, the institutional structure of the Black Community, its role in supporting social and political movements, the organization structure of the Modern Civil Rights Movement and the origin of other social movements following 1965.

8:30 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 10:30	The Long Civil Rights Movement, From Reconstruction to the Voting Rights Act of 1965 Karcheik Sims-Alvarado, PhD (John Lewis Fellowship Program Director, Humanity in Action)
10:30 - 10:45	Break
10:45 - 12:15	Organizational Structure of the Modern Civil Rights Movement Charmayne Patterson, PhD (Professor of History, Clark Atlanta University)
12:15 - 13:45	Lunch
13:45 - 15:30	Post-Civil Rights Movement LaNeice Littleton (PhD Candidate and Professor of History, Clark Atlanta University)
15:30 - 16:00	Break
16:00 - 17:00	Reflections and Discussion

>> Thursday, July 9

Women, Political Engagement and Grassroots Activism

Dr. Roslyn Pope, author of the manifesto, *An Appeal for Human Rights* (1960), discusses her life as student-activist in Atlanta from 1959-1961 and how the principles of human rights gave shape to the language and philosophy of the Modern Civil Rights Movement. She will also discuss her experience coming of age during Jim Crow segregation, studying under the activist and historian Howard Zinn, who served as an International College Fellow in Europe in 1959.

The afternoon presentation will focus on grassroots activism and political engagement about and by female activists of the past and present.

8:00 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 10:30	Power of Language: Civil Rights as Human Rights Dr. Roslyn Pope (Author of the manifesto, <i>An Appeal for Human Rights</i> , 1960)
10:30 - 10:45	Break
10:45 - 12:00	Dialogue and Q&A Dr. Roslyn Pope
12:00 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 16:00	Women, Politics and Grassroots Activism - Alona Clifton (Outreach Coordinator, We Count! Atlanta; Volunteer, Women's Action for New Direction) - Christy Garrison-Harrison (Professor of History, Clark Atlanta University; PhD Candidate, Georgia State University) - Adeline Nicholls (Executive Director, Georgia Latino Alliance for Human Rights) - Presider: Kenja McCray (Professor of History, Atlanta Metropolitan College; PhD Candidate, Clark Atlanta University)
16:00 - 17:00	Q & A

>> Friday, July 10

Writing Workshop with Roslyn Pope

Fellows will have the opportunity to work directly with Dr. Pope as she provides guidance on establishing a framework, structural components and the definition of civil and human rights for the writing assignment to be completed during the Fellowship. Fellows will receive assistance from museum experts who will offer guidance on how to critically examine museum exhibitions, with an understanding of content, message, mission and responsibility to the community. Fellows will conduct a second review of the Center's exhibitions.

During the afternoon, Fellows will contemplate the topic of lynching in America. The day's program will close following a reflection and discussion of the day's presentations.

Location: Center for Civil and Human Rights (100 Ivan Allen Jr. Boulevard NW)

8:30 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 10:30	Writing Workshop Dr. Roslyn Pope (Author of the Manifesto, An Appeal for

Location: Atlanta History Center (130 West Paces Ferry Road NW)

Human Rights, 1960)

10:30 - 10:45	Break
10:45 - 12:00	Examining Exhibitions with a Critical Eye Calinda Lee, PhD (Historian, Atlanta History Center)
12:00 - 13:45	Lunch
13:45 - 15:30	Without Sanctuary: Lynching Photograph Collection in the Atlanta History Center - David Mandel (Director of Exhibitions and Design, National Center for Civil and Human Rights) - Karcheik Sims-Alvarado, PhD (John Lewis Fellowship Program Director, Humanity in Action)
15:30 - 16:00	Tour of The Center for Civil and Human Rights Exhibition (Part 2)
16:00 - 17:00	Reflection and Discussion

>> Saturday, July 11

Racial Violence and the Rise of Anti-Semitism in Atlanta

Fellows will have the opportunity to learn about racial violence in Atlanta from 1865 to 1915. As they participate in a guided tour of downtown Atlanta, Fellows will learn about the removal of Native Americans, slavery in the city, social ills that led to the lynching of Sam Hose, the 1906 Race Riot, the lynching of Leo Frank and the resurrection of the Ku Klux Klan. The social challenges of Atlanta during this period were reflective, on a macro-level, of racial tension occurring throughout the United States. Fellows will also learn how African-American and Jewish business leaders in Atlanta used this horrid era to strengthen their communities and assert their rights as citizens.

Location: Woodruff Park (At the Intersection of Decatur and Peachtree Road)

10:00 - 12:00 Racial Violence in Atlanta: Rise of Anti-Semitism, the Resurrection of the KKK and the 1906 Race Riot
Nasir Muhammed (Founder and CEO, Black Mecca Tours)

>> Sunday, July 12

No Scheduled Programming

>> Monday, July 13

Shifting Political Ideologies Over Time and Place, Women of the Modern Civil Rights Movement and Atlanta, the Cradle of the Civil Rights Movement

During the morning, the Honorable John H. Eaves, Chairman of the Fulton County Commission, will provide a historical overview of the shifting political ideology of the Republican and Democratic parties from President Abraham Lincoln to President Barack Obama. Afterwards, Dr. Jacqueline Rouse, Professor of History at Georgia State University, will discuss women in the Modern Civil Rights Movement as trailblazers and torchbearers.

During the afternoon session, Fellows will take a walking tour of historic Auburn Avenue to learn about the roles of religious, academic, financial and social institutions in shaping a generation of African-American youth for the Modern Civil Rights Movement. These institutions provided the financial support, created sanctuaries and groomed leaders for a social movement against racial segregation, discrimination, disfranchisement and economic inequality in America. Fellows will also learn about components of 19th and 20th century African-American civil rights organizations that were vital to the organizational structure of the Modern Civil Rights Movement.

The skills learned will assist in the development of the final presentations and submission of papers.

Location: Georgia State University, Classroom South, Room #510 (38 Peachtree Center Avenue SE)

8:30 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 10:30	Historical Overview of the Changing Political Ideology of the Republican and Democratic Parties from Lincoln to Obama Honorable John H. Eaves (Chairman, Fulton County Commission)
10:30 - 11:00	Break
11:00 - 12:30	Women in the Civil Rights Movement Jacqueline Rouse, PhD (Associate Professor of History, Georgia State University)

Location: Sweet Auburn Curb Market (209 Edgewood Avenue SE)

12:30 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 15:30	Walking tour of Atlanta: The Cradle of the Civil Rights Movement Karcheik Sims-Alvarado, PhD (John Lewis Fellowship Program Director, Humanity in Action)
15:30 - 16:00	Break

Location: Georgia State University, Classroom South, Room #510 (38 Peachtree Center Avenue SE)

16:00 - 17:00 **Reflection and Discussion** Karcheik Sims-Alvarado, PhD

>> Tuesday, July 14

Accessing the Records of Social, Political, Labor and Migration Movements in the United States

Racism and segregation are evident even in historical documents and photographs. Archivists from two research institutions will demonstrate discriminatory practices and social injustice within public documents and personal papers archived in Special Collections. Fellows will learn how to access books, electronic journals, primary resources and photographs on social movements from the 19th and 20th century.

Location: Georgia State University Library (100 Decatur Street SE)

8:30 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 10:30	Special collections and Archives Traci Drummond (Archivist, Southern Labor Archives)
10:30 - 11:00	Break

Location: Georgia State University, Classroom South, Room #510 (38 Peachtree Center Avenue SE)

11:00 - 12:00 Writing workshop 12:00 - 13:45 Lunch

Location: Central Library, Atlanta Fulton County Library System (1 Margaret Mitchell Square)

13:45 - 15:00 Introduction to Records in Atlanta Central Public Library on African American History, Jewish Community, Immigrants and Native Americans

John Wright (Librarian, Special Collections)

15:00 - 17:00 Walking Tour: The Making of Modern Atlanta Told Through Architecture and Public Art

Dean Baker (CEO, D.E.A.N. LLC)

>> Wednesday, July 15

A Day in the Life of W.E.B. Du Bois (Part I)

In the morning, Fellows will visit the home of Alonzo Herndon, slave-born founder of the Atlanta Life Insurance Company. Through the life of Alonzo Herndon, Fellows will also learn about W.E.B. Du Bois, George Towns and Norris Herndon, founders of the Niagara Movement (precursor to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People). In their opposition toward the political ideology of Booker T. Washington, Atlanta's black intelligentsia organized in an effort to progressively push for inclusion within the public sphere, suffrage rights, equal education and the right to purchase land.

Fellows will visit the sites where W.E.B. Du Bois resided and wrote his seminal work, *Souls of Black Folk*, founded *The Crisis* and *Phylon* and experienced the horror of the 1906 Atlanta Race Riot.

In the afternoon, Fellows will tour the Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive business district and surrounding neighborhoods that broke the racial color line in Atlanta. This portion of the city was once occupied by Creek Indians and later by Confederate and Union soldiers, the Freedmen's Bureau, the white elite, missionaries, Jews and African-Americans across socioeconomic backgrounds. This region was also the epicenter of the Atlanta Student Movement. From this tour, Fellows will learn about the economic impact segregation and integration had on this community.

Location: Georgia State University, Classroom South, Room #510 (38 Peachtree Center Avenue SE)

8:00 - 8:30 Breakfast

8:30 - 9:30 Travel to Herndon Museum

Location: Herndon Museum (587 University Place NW)

9:30 - 10:30 Tour: Herndon Home Museum

10:30 - 11:00 Travel to Morris Brown College

Location: Morris Brown College (643 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive NW)

11:00 - 12:00 Tour: W.E.B. Du Bois sites on the campus

12:00 - 13:30 Lunch on Martin Luther King Jr. Drive

Location: Intersection of Joseph E. Lowery Boulevard SW & Martin Luther King Jr. Drive NW

13:30 – 16:00 Walking Tour: Crossing the Colored Line, White Flight in Atlanta and the Making of Black Communities

>> Thursday, July 16

A Day in the Life of W.E.B. Du Bois (Part II)

By visiting historic sites, museums and monuments, Fellows will tour the campuses of the Atlanta University Center to learn more about the life of W.E.B. Du Bois a well as the life of other prominent civil rights leaders. Fellows will also visit the sites where Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. attended college and the location of his second funeral held on the campus of Atlanta University.

David Levering Lewis, two-time Pulitzer Prize recipient, will present on the life of civil and human rights activist and scholar W.E.B. Du Bois. Lewis will discuss the life of Du Bois and how Atlanta's response to race laws, customs and traditions shaped the scholar's political ideology, activism and writings.

Location: Georgia State University, Classroom South, Room #510 (38 Peachtree Center Avenue SE)

8:00 - 8:30 Breakfast

8:30 - 10:00 Travel to Clark Atlanta University campus

Location: Trevor Arnett Hall, Clark Atlanta University (223 James P. Brawley Drive SW)

10:00 - 13:00 Tour of Clark Atlanta Campus and Art Gallery

Location: Paschal's Restaurant (180 Northside Drive SW #B)

13:00 - 15:00 Lunch with Reflection and Discussion

15:00 - 17:00 Life and Legacy of W.E.B. Du Bois

David Levering Lewis, PhD (Pulitzer Prize-winning author)

>> Friday, July 17

The Modern Civil Rights Movement in Atlanta

During the morning, Fellows will have the opportunity to visit The Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change (founded by Coretta Scott King) as well as the National Park Service, Ebenezer Baptist Church and the birth home of Dr. King, Jr. (in the Sweet Auburn Avenue District).

Afterward, Fellows will join members of the Atlanta community to hear Dr. David Levering Lewis speak on the life of W.E.B. Du Bois at the National Center for Civil and Human Rights.

Location: Georgia State University, Classroom South, Room #510 (38 Peachtree Center Avenue SE)

8:30 - 9:00	Breakfast	
9:00 - 10:00	Site Visit: The Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change	
10:00 - 12:00	Site Visit: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. National Park Service Sites	
Location: Sweet Auburn Curb Market (209 Edgewood Avenue SE)		
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch	
13:00 - 15:00	Viewing of the Dr. King Childhood Home (rotate in groups of 10 every hour) Touring other King-related sites on Auburn and Edgewood (National Park Service)	
15:00 - 16:40	Break	
16:40 - 17:00	Travel to the National Center for Civil and Human Rights	
Location: Center for Civil and Human Rights (100 Ivan Allen Jr. Boulevard NW)		
17:00 - 18:00	Mixer	

18:00 - 19:30 Evening with David Levering Lewis, PhD

>> Saturday, July 18

No Scheduled Programming

>> Sunday, July 19

Ebenezer Baptist Church

11:00 Ebenezer Baptist Church for Sunday Service (Optional)

>> Monday, July 20

Teaching with the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Personal Papers

During the morning session, Fellows will participate in a workshop, *Teaching with the Dr. King, Jr. Papers,* led by Dr. Vicki Crawford, Director of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Collection at Morehouse College, and Andrea Jackson, Head Archivist of the Robert Woodruff Library. Fellows will experience the rare opportunity to view the original writings and ephemera of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

During the evening, Fellows will attend a private film screening of *Rosenwald*, directed by Aviva Kempner at the National Center for Civil and Human Rights. *Rosenwald* is the incredible story of Julius Rosenwald, the son of an immigrant peddler who never finished high school, but rose to become the President of Sears. Influenced by the writings of the educator Booker T. Washington, this Jewish philanthropist joined forces with African-American communities during the Jim Crow South to build over 5,300 schools during the early part of the 20th century.

Location: Georgia State University, Classroom South, Room #510 (38 Peachtree Center Avenue SE)

8:30 - 9:00 Breakfast

9:00 - 9:30 Travel to Atlanta University Center

Location: Atlanta University Center (156 Mildred Street)

9:30 - 10:00 Viewing of King-related Sites

10:00 - 12:00 Teaching with the Dr. King Jr. Papers: Viewing of Original King Documents

- Vicki Crawford, PhD (Director, Morehouse College Martin Luther King Jr. Collection)

- Andrea Jackson (Head of the Archives Research Center, Atlanta University Center Robert W. Woodruff Library)

12:00 - 12:30 Travel to Georgia State University

Location: Georgia State University, Classroom South, Room #510 (38 Peachtree Center Avenue SE)

12:30 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00 - 15:00 Reflection and Discussion

15:00 - 17:00 Dinner

17:00 - 17:30 Travel to the National Center for Civil and Human Rights

17:30 - 18:00 Mixer with the filmmaker Aviva Kempner

18:00 - 20:00 Film Screening: Rosenwald

>> Tuesday, July 21

Refugees and Vulnerable Communities in Atlanta

Following the viewing of *Rosenwald*, fellows will visit the William Breman Jewish Heritage Museum to learn about home to the permanent exhibition Absence of Humanity: The Holocaust Years, 1933-1945, the Blonder Family Gallery dedicated to Southern Jewish Heritage, and the Schwartz Gallery which hosts a variety of traveling and rotating exhibitions. The Museum Library and Cuba Family Archives add to our onsite offerings while The Weinberg Center for Holocaust Education provides a wonderful educational resource for students, teachers, and lifelong learners.

During the afternoon session, Fellows will hear from a series of experts and advocates of refugee communities within the metro-Atlanta area and beyond.

Location: Georgia State University, Classroom South, Room #510 (38 Peachtree Center Avenue SE)

8:00 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 9:15	Travel to Five Points Train Station (Peachtree Street)
9:15 - 9:45	Travel to Art Center Train Station

Location: William Breman Jewish Heritage Museum (1440 Spring Street NW)

9:45 - 10:00	Walk to Museum
10:00 - 12:00	Site Visit: William Breman Jewish Heritage Museum
12:00 - 14:00	Lunch

Location: Georgia State University, Classroom South, Room #510 (38 Peachtree Center Avenue SE)

14:00 - 15:00 Outcasts United: An American Town, A Refugee Team, and One Woman's Quest to Make a Difference

Warren St. John (Reporter and Author of *Outcasts United: An American Town, A Refugee Team and One Woman's Quest to Make a Difference*)

15:00 - 16:00 New American Pathways: Working to Empower the Refugee Community

Adriana Varela (Foreign Attorney, Fragomen)

16:00 - 17:00 Commitment to Humanitarian Work

Duncan de la Feld (Volunteer and Donations Coordinator, International Rescue Committee)

>> Wednesday, July 22

Education, Equal Rights, Naturalization and Citizenship

The morning will begin with a film screening of *Stolen Education*, created by Executive Producer and Co-Writer, Enrique Alemán, Jr., PhD. *Stolen Education* is a documentary about the forgotten history of a lesser-known court case from the 1950s, Hernandez et al. v. Driscoll Consolidated School District. In 1956 eight elementary students testified in a federal desegregation court case. As Mexican Americans, they were placed in three years of first grade, discriminated against by the all-White school board, administration and faculty. *Stolen Education* documents the journey to recapture the remarkable story of the schoolchildren who changed educational history in Texas and confronts the continued inequity in public schools today. Following the session with Dr. Aleman, Judge Tisha Tallman will contextualize this historic case which served as a precursor to Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka, Kansas. The U.S. Supreme Court ruling during this landmark case declared segregated school unconstitutional.

During the afternoon, the discussion on immigration, naturalization, and citizenship continues as Fellows are presented research findings from sociologist, Dr. Charles Jaret.

8:30 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 9:15	Introduction to <i>Stolen Education</i> via Skype Enrique Aleman, PhD (Executive Producer and Co-Writer of <i>Stolen Education</i>)
9:15 - 10:20	Film Screening: Stolen Education
10:20 - 10:40	Q & A
10:40 - 11:00	Break
11:00 - 11:40	Hernandez et al. v. Driscoll Consolidated School District (1956) Honorable Tisha Tallman (Chief Administrative Judge for the City of Decatur, Associate Magistrate Judge for Dekalb County; President & CEO, Georgia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce)
11:40 - 12:00	Q & A with the Honorable Tisha Tallman
12:00 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 15:00	Immigration, Naturalization and Citizenship Charles Jaret, PhD (Professor, Georgia State University Department of Sociology)
15:00 - 17:00	Discussion and Reflection

>> Thursday, July 23

Immigration Legislation and Advocacy (Part I)

Throughout the day, Fellows will hear from two of the leading immigration attorneys in the Metro Atlanta region, Charles Kuck and Helen Ho. With the City of Clarkston, termed as the *Ellis Island of the South*, the Fellows will hear from Humanity in Action Senior Fellow Mia Ozegovic as she discusses assimilation and identity while coming of age in a refugee community.

Location: Georgia State University, Classroom South, Room #510 (38 Peachtree Center Avenue SE)

8:30 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 11:00	Immigration and Legislation - Charles Kuck (Immigration Attorney, Kuck Immigration Partners) - Helen Ho (Executive Director, Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Atlanta)
11:00 - 12:30	Writing Workshop
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 15:00	Assimilation and Identity Mia Ozegovic (John Lewis Fellowship Program Associate; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
15:00 - 17:00	Discussion and Reflection

>> Friday, July 24

Immigration of Legislation and Advocacy (Part II)

Since 2002, the subject of immigration legislation has served as a subject of great national debate. In 2011, Georgia enacted a strict set of immigration laws covering a wide range of activities relating to daily life. Throughout the day, Fellows will hear from refugee advocates as well as Georgia legislators as they discuss immigrants' rights and the laws that fail to protect non-citizens.

8:00 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 11:00	Advocacy and the Refugee Community - Honorable Ted Terry (Mayor, City of Clarkson) - Honorable Tisha Tallman (Chief Administration Judge for the City of Decatur, Associate Magistrate Judge for Dekalb County and President & CEO of GHCC)
11:00 - 12:30	Writing Workshop
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 16:00	Latino Legislation - Jerry Gonzalez (Executive Director, GALEO) - Pedro Marin (Georgia State Representative, District 96)
16:00 - 17:00	Discussion and Reflection

>> Saturday, July 25

No Scheduled Programming

>> Sunday, July 26

No Scheduled Programming

>> Monday, July 27

Using Your Genius to Bring About Social Justice

The day will focus on the #BlackLivesMatter Movement. During the morning session, Fellows will hear from two artist-activists and learn how they who use their creative genius to educate and mobilize the social and political consciousness of a generation working in concert to eradicate racial violence in America.

During the afternoon session, the speakers will present on their direct or indirect experiences of racial intimidation from police officers. These speakers will discuss their response to race/racism in America and its impact on the lives of Black men in America from their professional perspectives.

8:30 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 9:15	AV Setup for the Artist
9:15 - 10:00	Artist Activists: Using Their Creative Genius to Bring About Social Justice Dawud Anyabwile (Creator and Illustrator, <i>Brotherman Comics</i>)
10:00 - 10:30	Q & A
10:30 - 11:00	Break
11:00 - 12:00	Mausike Scales Musician, <i>Common Ground (</i> Professor of African-American History)
12:00 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 16:00	#Blacklivesmatter: Civil Rights, Media and Racial Violence - Ernie Suggs (Journalist, Atlanta Journal Constitution) - Carlton Usher, II PhD (Associate Professor, Kennesaw State University) - Mario B. Williams (Civil Rights Attorney, Williams Oinonen, LLC) - Presider: Joel Alvarado (Director of Community Outreach and Engagement, Georgia Piedmont Technical College)
16:00 - 17:00	Discussion and Reflection

>> Tuesday, July 28

Defining Civil and Human Rights

Fellows will hear from Dr. C.T. Vivian, Presidential Medal of Freedom recipient. Dr. Vivian will discuss his life as a civil and human rights activists and his ongoing quest for social justice for marginalized groups within the United States. The session will follow with a writing workshop aimed to prepare Fellows for their upcoming group presentations on their writing assignments.

Location: Georgia State University, Classroom South, Room #510 (38 Peachtree Center Avenue SE)

8:00 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 11:00	Interconnectedness of Civil and Human Rights Dr. C.T. Vivian (Presidential Medal of Freedom Recipient)
11:00 - 12:30	Reflection and Discussion
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 17:00	Fellows will work with Mia Ozegovic and Ufuk Kahya on their papers and presentations

>> Wednesday, July 29

Purpose, Faith and Activism

A group of faith leaders will offer their various yet respectable perspectives on using one's purpose and faith to bring forth social justice for mankind. The session will follow with a writing workshop aimed to prepare fellows for their upcoming group presentation on their writing assignment.

8:00 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 11:00	Achieving Social Justice - Dr. Rev. Joanna Adams (Retired Pastor, First Presbyterian Church) - Dr. Rev. Gerald Durley (Retired Pastor, Providence Missionary Baptist Church) - Imam P. El Amin (Imam Emeritus, the Atlanta Masjid of Allslam) - Judy Marx (Executive Director, Interfaith Community Initiatives) - Presider: Rev. Billy Michael Honor (Minister and Public Scholar)
11:00 - 12:00	Discussion and Reflection
12:00 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 17:00	Fellows will work on papers and presentation with program staff

>> Thursday, July 30

Presentation of Papers

In groups of three, Fellows will present their written reflection and evaluation of the National Center for Civil and Human Rights exhibitions, mission and responsibility to the Atlanta community in promoting civil and human rights.

8:30 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 10:30	Group presentations of research papers
10:30 - 11:00	Break
11:00 - 12:00	Group presentations of research papers
12:00 - 13:30	Lunch
13:30 - 15:00	Group presentations of research papers
15:00 - 15:30	Break
15:30 - 17:00	Group presentations of research papers

>> Friday, July 31

Native American Culture, Race and Identity

Fellows will learn of Native American issues through the personal experiences and history of three presenters belonging to the Catawaba and Tuscarora Nations. Collectively, they will discuss the importance of cultural retention, identity and other topics told through research, storytelling and dance.

The Humanity in Action program will close with a festive dinner reception at the historic Negril Restaurant in Atlanta.

Location: Georgia State University, Classroom South, Room #510 (38 Peachtree Center Avenue SE)

8:30 - 9:00	Breakfast
9:00 - 9:40	Presentation Ramona Moore Big Eagle (President and CEO, Dare To Soar Enterprises)
9:40 - 10:00	Q & A
10:00 - 10:15	Break
10:15 - 10:55	Colonizing Discourses DeLesslin "Roo" George-Warren (Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
10:55 - 11:15	Q & A
11:15 - 12:00	Q & A with Presenters - Ramona Moore Big Eagle (President and CEO, Dare To Soar Enterprises) - DeLesslin "Roo" George-Warren
12:00 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 16:00	Performances by DeLesslin "Roo" George-Warren (Humanity in Action Senior Fellow) and Amber Saunders (CEO, Native Insights)
16:00 - 17:00	Closing Remarks - Judy Goldstein (Founder and Executive Director, Humanity in Action) - Deborah Richardson (Interim CEO, National Center for Civil and Human Rights)
17:00 - 18:30	Travel to Negril Village Atlanta

Location: Negril Village Atlanta (30 North Avenue NE)

18:30 - 22:00 Closing Dinner

STAFF BIOGRAPHIES



Judith S. Goldstein
Founder and Executive Director

Judith S. Goldstein founded Humanity in Action in 1997 and has served as its Executive Director ever since. Under Judith's leadership, Humanity in Action has organized educational programs on international affairs, diversity and human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Denmark, France, Germany, Poland, the Netherlands and the United States. She received her PhD in history from Columbia University and was a Woodrow Wilson Scholar for her MA studies. Judith has written several books and articles about European and American history, art and landscape architecture. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and several boards and advisory groups. Judith grew up in Great Neck, Long Island.



Karcheik Sims-Alvarado

John Lewis Fellowship Program Director

Dr. Karcheik Sims-Alvarado serves as Program Director for the John Lewis Fellowship at Humanity in Action. Karcheik has devoted nearly twenty years to the scholarship and preservation of African-American history and culture. She is the CEO of Preserve Black America, LLC, a research firm dedicated to documenting the African-American odyssey in the United States and Black Atlantic World. Karcheik has worked in some of the leading museum institutions in Atlanta: National Center for Civil and Human Rights, Atlanta History Center, and Herndon Home Museum. She has also served as a history professor at Agnes Scott College, Clark Atlanta University, Morehouse College, and Georgia State University. Karcheik received a PhD in history from Georgia State University and is currently pursuing a MA degree in museum studies from Harvard University. She is also a multi-recipient of the prestigious National Endowment for Humanities Summer Institute Fellowship with the W.E.B. Du Bois Institute at Harvard University and the Georgia Historical Society.



Mia Ožegović Program Associate

Mia Ožegović is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (Netherlands 2014) and serves as Program Associate for the John Lewis Fellowship in Atlanta, Georgia. Previously, Mia was the senior level mathematics instructor at North Clayton High School in Atlanta, Georgia teaching AP Statistics, Math IV and Advanced Algebra. As a Teach for America corps member, Mia worked in an underprivileged area in Metro Atlanta helping close the opportunity gap between high and low income students. Prior to becoming a teacher, Mia graduated summa cum laude from Emory University with a major in international studies. During her time at Emory, Mia researched the international response to war crimes in Bosnia, interviewing survivors of the Srebrenica genocide. She continued this research in The Netherlands as a 2014 Humanity in Action Fellow. Additionally, her thesis entitled "State Compliance with the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia," explores why states comply with international institutions and what implications this has for the future of international criminal courts and international law. A former refugee from Sarajevo, Bosnia, Mia has also worked closely with the refugee population in Clarkston, Georgia tutoring survivors of war crimes and genocide from around the world.



<mark>Ufuk Kâhya</mark> Program Intern

Ufuk Kâhya is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (Netherlands 2012) and graduated from Tilburg University with a master's degree in public administration, with a focus on education, equality, and diversity issues in the Netherlands and abroad. He studied international relations and political science in Istanbul and simultaneously worked for the Dutch Consulate-General. During his studies, he worked as a trainer on several youth leadership programs with a focus on personal growth and conflict transformation. In 2010, he was elected as a member of the city council of 's-Hertogenbosch. In 2014 he got elected local party leader and currently serves as delegation leader in City Council. Ufuk is also a board member of several NGOs. He has worked for the Ministry of Internal Affairs on political participation of youngsters and as a policy strategist for the municipality of Utrecht. He was a 2013 Lantos-Humanity in Action Congressional Fellow, working for Rep. Alcee Hastings. Ufuk currently holds the position of Managing Senior Trainer for United World Colleges, The Netherlands. He is responsible for the management and development of the trainers-team and the programs.



Raphael Schoeberlein

Program Intern

A Colorado native, Raphael has spent the past three years living outside of the United States: first in Vienna, Austria and most recently in Bogota, Colombia. Raphael is now returning to the United States for his senior year of high school. While living in Bogotá, Raphael participated in the Colegio Nueva Granada Model United Nations program. He participated in models both in Colombia, and at the Harvard HACIA Democracy XXI in Cancun, Mexico. Model United Nations was an amazing experience and Raphael has won multiple awards including Best Delegation as the delegation of Austria, in the experimental EFAC committee. Raphael's love of drama has been shown through his participation in the improve club, as well as leading roles in Grease, The Music Man, and The Tempest. Raphael is very excited about the Humanity in Action program and looks forward to getting to know the Fellows.

FELLOW BIOGRAPHIES



Ayah Abo-Basha Washington University in St. Louis

Ayah Abo-Basha graduated summa cum laude from Washington University in St. Louis with a degree in anthropology and political science. Her previous research on Egyptian diaspora engagement as well as Muslims for Ferguson focused on the ways in which transnational identities shape transnational social movements. She is a Phi Beta Kappa scholar, a Gephardt Institute for Public Service Civic Scholar and a Gephardt Social Change Grant alumna. As a student, she co-founded a cultural advocacy group called WashU Foreign Policy Engagement. She also worked abroad in Cairo where she established a schoolroom at the Children's Cancer Hospital of Egypt. Upon returning to the US, she joined Ashoka Innovators for the Public in Washington D.C. to strengthen diaspora connections between public health activists in the Middle East and the US. She currently mentors a group of Oklahoma Students in Solidarity, which she co-founded in her home state with other student activists.



Victoria Allen University of Louisville

Born and raised in rural southern Kentucky, Victoria Allen is a rising senior at the University of Louisville with a double major in history and political science with a minor in women's studies. As the incoming Student Body President at U of L, Victoria is passionate about enhancing the student experience for all students and advocating for underrepresented student populations. She has interned with the Library of Congress, a women's nonprofit that seeks to elect women to Democratic office Emerge Kentucky, a top five law firm in Kentucky and is a National Campaign Ambassador for Harvard's Institute of Politics. In her spare time, Victoria engages in oral and local history projects, focusing on the rural communities in the Upper South. After U of L, Victoria plans to pursue a joint JD/ MA in legal and constitutional history and to practice trial law in the Southeast.



Lauren Anderson University of Georgia

Lauren Anderson graduated from the University of Georgia in 2013 with a Bachelor of Arts in international affairs and a minor in human geography. As an undergraduate, her interests in human rights and social justice led her to conduct field research pertaining to the long-term implications of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission in South Africa. At the University of Georgia, Lauren was also a Public Service and Outreach Scholar at the Carl Vinson Institute of Government International Center, an Associate Editor for the Georgia Political Review and the Social Sciences Editor of the Center for Undergraduate Research Opportunities Journal. Since graduation, she has been working in the office of a state representative in Georgia, where she currently serves as Chief of Staff. This fall, Lauren will pursue a PhD in sociology at the University of California, Irvine concentrating in race/ethnicity, social movements and policy framing and narrative studies.



Tasniem Anwar University of Amsterdam

Born in a bi-cultural family, Tasniem sees herself as both Dutch and Egyptian. She has finished her bachelor studies in interdisciplinary social science and continued with a master's in conflict resolution and governance. She founded a student platform at her university that strives for a better understanding of diversity and an inclusive environment for all students. During her studies, she completed an internship in Palestine and participated in a research exchange with Moroccan students in Rabat. In the future, she would like to continue working with diversity issues and human rights issues in the Middle-East.



Summer Awad

University of Tennessee - Knoxville

Summer is a rising senior at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and is majoring in social justice activism through the performing and written arts. As co-chair of Sexual Empowerment and Awareness at Tennessee (SEAT), Summer plays an active role in organizing the annual Sex Week at UT, which provides comprehensive sexuality education to members of her university community. In addition to sexuality and gender issues, Summer is also passionate about ending the occupation of Palestine, her father's birthplace. Summer has conducted interviews with Palestinian refugees in Jordan and is in the process of writing and producing a play on the topic. In her spare time, Summer enjoys writing, dancing and playing with her cat, Sappho.



Marko Barišić University of Zadar

Marko is a graduated archaeologist who was born in Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina. Even though he officially finished archaeology, his interests are wider than that specific field. His interests include anthropology, sociology, psychology, philosophy, religious studies and music. Furthermore, epistemology and theory of science are subjects that fascinate him very much at the moment since he can find usefulness of this knowledge. In addition, he is very active both as a solitary activist and as a part of many activist groups and organizations. Through numerous projects, he has been working on various social issues ranging from ecology to human rights. Even though he enjoys activism and academia respectively, he thinks that the combination of both is a perfect match for him and the role of his work in this world.



Jenna Baron University of Pittsburgh

Originally from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, Jenna Baron graduated with a bachelor's degree in anthropology from the University of Pittsburgh in 2013. During her four years as an undergraduate, Jenna was involved in a student organization that provided after-school tutoring to Somali Bantu refugees in Pittsburgh. Her work with immigrant youth as an undergraduate inspired her to create and direct a summer camp for refugee youth in Pittsburgh that she continues to support today. After graduating in 2013, Jenna lived in Nairobi, Kenya as a Fulbright Research Scholar where she interviewed disability rights activists. As a result, Jenna has curated a photo exhibit to showcase their profiles. Currently, Jenna is a fellow with Pittsburgh Urban Leadership Service Experience and works for the United Way of Allegheny County on the Be There Campaign, which seeks to combat chronic absenteeism in public schools.



Dafni Basta University of Athens

Born and raised in Athens, Greece, Daphne is a MSc student in international medicine and health crisis management. She holds a bachelor's degree in social anthropology and a master's degree in migration and ethnic studies. Over the course of her studies, she developed a solid understanding of and a strong interest in human rights in general and issues related to migration in particular. The internships she undertook in a variety of international organizations enriched her humanitarian related perspectives in both academic and professional ways: at the European Parliament in the Gender Equality and Women's Rights Committee, in Amnesty International and in UNCHR. She also worked as a researcher for the 'Citizen's Beyond Walls' project, in the SCI Hellas, on the rise of xenophobic trends and civil society's initiatives. Her goal for the future is to form a career within the Human Right sector and work with marginalized populations such as immigrants.



Devon CrawfordMorehouse College

Born in Birmingham, Alabama, Devon has enjoyed many opportunities to develop as a ministerial leader by providing public leadership in the cases of Troy Davis, Trayvon Martin and Michael Brown in the Atlanta University Center. Devon has served as president of the Martin Luther King Jr. International Chapel Assistants Program, vice president of the Alpha Rho chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., a Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Intern and the 2015 Martin Luther King Jr. Scholar. As a young globetrotter, Devon has traveled as a peace ambassador to Tokyo, Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan to commemorate the nuclear attacks of World War II and an Oprah Winfrey South Africa and Zimbabwe Leadership Fellow. After graduating from Morehouse College, Devon will attend the University of Chicago Divinity School to pursue a master's of divinity degree and later begin PhD work in philosophical theology.



Sagiv Galai Bard College

Sagiv was born and raised in Israel and moved to Queens, New York at the age of twelve. Sagiv's studies have focused on the ability of activists and lawyers to influence state policies. While he has mostly focused on the manifestations of state violence and military actions, and the balance of human rights and state security, he has maintained an interest in the trafficking of migrants across the Mediterranean and Sinai desert, public health, incarceration in America and labor rights. He has done some work with Amnesty International as an intern for the campaign to close Guantanamo Bay and has worked as a translator for an Israeli human rights organization dedicated to helping African refugees. His undergraduate thesis is concerned with the history of torture and interrogations in Israel.



Jamal Grant
University of Massachusetts Lowell

Jamal Grant was born and raised in Boston, Massachusetts and is a graduating senior in mechanical engineering at the University of Massachusetts Lowell. In his first few years at his university, he became aware of the immensely evident achievement gap between majority and minority groups, particularly in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields. Motivated to learn about the causes and potential solutions for such a widespread problem, Jamal has sought discussions and advice from various sources including Massachusetts Appeals Court Justices, advisors from former President Bill Clinton's administration, Boston City Mayor's Office officials and district public school superintendents. He is currently the chapter president of the National Society of Black Engineers and a member of the REDSTEM network, which works to implement STEM programs in inner-city schools. After graduation, Jamal plans to use his experiences to implement a creative solution to the STEM achievement gap in the United States.



Lamija Grbic' Emory University

Lamija Grbic was born in Munich, Germany after her parents emigrated from Bosnia and Herzegovina. Her family later immigrated to the United States and settled in Boise, Idaho. Lamija is currently attending Emory University, where she is pursuing degrees in sociology and philosophy. She is a tutor at the Emory Writing Center and a member of Freedom at Emory, a coalition dedicated to making university admissions and financial aid policies more equitable for undocumented students.



Gwen Gruner-WiddingUniversity of Copenhagen

Gwen is an organizer, activist, feminist and a law student. Raised in Denmark by an American mother, Gwen has been given two perspectives. She grew up well taken care of in a welfare state. However, she always knew that, for better or worse, it was not set in stone that our society would be organized the way it was. This has been her motivation for engaging in many projects. She has been working with student organizations in Colombia, been an EU-lobbyist for student right in Brussels and has worked as a student organizer in vocational schools. She has also traveled in Iran, Australia and South-East Asia. Currently, she is in the final phase of a year-long organizing effort bringing together students working on over eighteen educational reform projects to change UCPH.



Olivia Hoeft Stanford University

Olivia Hoeft grew up on her tribe's reservation in Oneida, Wisconsin. She left for her sophomore year of high school at a boarding school, St. George's School in Newport, Rhode Island. She spent her junior year in Zaragoza, Spain where she lived with a host family and studied through School Year Abroad (SYA). Olivia is currently a senior at Stanford University, where she spent a quarter studying in Paris and is involved in a number of communities on campus. She currently works as a Diversity Outreach Associate for Stanford's Office of Undergraduate Admission and as a liaison for the Native American community on campus. She is also the current Miss Oneida for 2014-2015, through which she acts as a public figure when she returns to the Oneida reservation and neighboring communities. Olivia graduates in the spring and will begin working at Google in September as a Recruiting Coordinator.



Catherina Juel
University of Copenhagen

Born and raised in the city of Copenhagen, Denmark, Catherina Juel is a master's student at the University of Copenhagen. She will obtain a master's degree in clinical psychology. With an A-graded bachelor thesis addressing self-stigmatization issues among mentally ill individuals, Catherina is highly passionate about issues involving stigmatization, suppression and minorities. Her academic point of view is that of the psychology of the individual, the group and interrelational issues. Catherina has lived and worked in India with tribal-people; through education and information trying to emphasize their human rights in a suppressive local community. She's raised funds to build a new school to the tribal people by holding lectures at Lions Club. She spent a semester abroad in Australia where she studied Group behavior change and change management. In her spare time she does students' association work at her local student's dorm.



René Kreichauf University of Vienna

René Kreichauf is an urban researcher from Berlin, Germany. He studied urban planning and sociology at the Technical University Berlin as well as urban studies within his international master's program at Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Universität Wien, Københavns Universitet, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid and at Universidad Complutense de Madrid. As a research assistant, he has worked at several university and research institutions, such as the Department for Urban and Regional Sociology at TU Berlin and the Leibniz-Institute for Regional Development and Structural Planning. In 2011, René lived and worked in Chicago and Detroit investigating social polarization processes and urban shrinkage. His research and publication activities focus on urban transformation trends, social inequality, urban minorities and migration. René plans to pursue a PhD in political science studying the reception and integration of refugees and asylum seekers in North American cities.



Maciej Kuziemski University of Warsaw

Born and raised on the Polish seaside, Maciej is an editor and social entrepreneur. He studied political science at the University of Warsaw and currently serves as a Board Member of Res Publica Foundation, a publisher behind three rigorous magazines of ideas. His previous professional activities include managing democracy assistance programs of the Lech Wałęsa Institute as well as speechwriting and advising to senior government officials. Maciej invented and leads a series of documentary filmmaking workshops in Burma as a way of promoting social change. After vacations, he will pursue a postgraduate degree in public policy at the University of Oxford.



Aleksandra Leniarska University of Warsaw

Born and raised in Warsaw, Poland, Aleksandra Leniarska is a master's student at American Studies Center, where she is currently writing her master's thesis on American literature, focusing on the work of Jonathan Franzen and its correspondence with social novel. She earned her bachelor's degree from Faculty of Modern Languages, University of Warsaw. There, her field of study was French, Spanish and English philology with the focus on modern literature, her bachelor's project was concerned with the theory of mythocritique and the representations of oedipal complex in French literature. Her academic interests include American literature and its attitudes to race, gender and ethnicity. She is planning to pursue a PhD in literature and sociology.



Antonio "Tony" Lopez
Duke University

Born and raised in East Palo Alto, California, Antonio "Tony" Lopez is a rising senior at Duke University with a double major in literature, African-American studies and a certificate in Latino/a studies and the Global South. He is President of La Unidad Latina, Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity, Inc, a historically Latino-based Greek organization dedicated to cultural empowerment, community service and academic excellence. He participates twice a week at GANO (Gente Aprendiendo Para Nuevas Oportunidades), a student-run organization offering ESL classes to Latino/a migrants in the local Durham population. As President of MGC (Multicultural Greek Council), Tony oversees 7 Greek organizations and works with the executive board to best represent them. Tony's honors thesis offers a tripartite analysis into the Black Power, American Indian Movement and Chicano Movements of the late 60's and 70's. Tony plans to pursue a PhD in literary/ethnic studies and become a teacher at both the university/high school level.



Zvijezdana Marković University of Banja Luka

Born in Travnik, at the heart of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Zvijezdana Marković is a human rights activist and social blogger, with a passion for constitutionalism and civil rights movement. During her law studies, she participated in the Erasmus exchange program at Karl Franzens University of Graz (Austria), with engagement in Debate and Moor Court clubs. For the past three years, Zvijezdana has been engaged in numerous civil society organizations in Bosnia and Herzegovina including the Fund for youth projects and Youth Press Association. She has worked on the support of youth projects from undeveloped areas of her country and on the creation of free media space for ethnically separated youth. Zvijezdana plans to pursue her legal studies in the US.



Max Mauerman Ohio State University

Max Mauerman is a senior at Ohio State University with a double major in political science and economics. As a member of the executive board of Collegiate Council on World Affairs, he has helped organize model United Nations conferences for inner-city high schools in Columbus as well as global conferences through the UN Foundation. He also plans the Alleviating Poverty Through Entrepreneurship Summit, one of the largest conferences for social entrepreneurship in the Midwest. He is passionate about sharing his experiences through writing. He is co-founder of the Algerian, OSU's first magazine for politics and international affairs, and has covered the UN's annual NGO conference as an official writer. His future plans lie in policy research. He wants to re-imagine urban planning through direct citizen input. He has been recognized for his research at national presentations and plans to pursue a PhD in either economics or public policy.



Heather MenefeeNorthwestern University

Heather Menefee is a researcher and writer who was raised in Maryland, Washington, DC and Milton, Georgia. She graduates from Northwestern University in June of 2015 with a degree in Native American studies. She has been engaged in indigenous and Palestine solidarity activism on campus with the Native American and Indigenous Student Alliance, including an ongoing effort to decolonize and remediate the University's relationship to the Cheyenne and Arapaho and nearby Tribal Nations and communities. Over the past two years she has been completing a community-based research project with a Dakota Community, focused on documenting and theorizing ongoing displacement, Federal mismanagement and developing economic futures that transcend the colonial imaginary. After the Fellowship, she will likely return to Mnisota Makoce to be near her mentors and eventually work toward a PhD in critical ethnic studies.



Nusaiba Mubarak Georgia State University

Nusaiba Mubarak was born and raised in Panama City, FL and moved to Atlanta, GA in 2012, where she currently pursues a graduate degree in sociology at Georgia State University (GSU). She serves on the board of Independent Political Action Committee, promotes interfaith and intrafaith dialogue through the Islamic Speakers Bureau and leads a social platform for Muslims in Atlanta, AtlantaMuslim.com. Nusaiba connects her challenges as an American Muslim to the struggle for justice in the United States, which inspires her participation in GSU's After Malcolm Research Collective, which tells the untold story of African American Muslims from 1965-1985. In May 2015, Nusaiba will partake in a GSU research project to address the effects of civil society and government policies on Syrian women. She plans to use her sociology degree and transnational feminist approach to empower US political movements of minorities and influence public policy to promote social justice.



Michael Nishimura Vassar College

Michael Nishimura is currently a senior at Vassar College and will graduate in the spring of 2015 with a BA in international studies. His concentrations are economics and geography. He is originally from Mississauga, Canada, but also calls Troy, Ohio home. He recently studied abroad in Nepal, Jordan and Chile on the IHP Human Rights program. He has a passion for human rights and has previous experience working with organizations in NYC, Community Action For Safe Apartments (CASA) and US Human Rights Network, along with other international organizations: ATMA SEVA and Trailblazer Foundation. He is writing a senior thesis about Western representations and images of Tibet throughout history, focusing on the ways in which Tibetans resist this essentialism. He plans to eventually pursue a graduate degree in political science. He enjoys all things related to music, gastronomy poetry/spoken word, film, travel, dance and love.



Mahamed Omar Emory University

Mahamed was born in Nairobi, Kenya and raised in the US. He is a rising senior at Emory University with a major in political science and a minor in economics. He has worked in multiple groups in Emory, holding positions such as Vice President of the Young Democrats and Publicity Chair of the Feminist-in-Action. He is a member of Freedom at Emory, which is a coalition of students, faculty and student organizations advocating for the educational rights of undocumented youth, and Strong Returns, which works to make prison reform the Millennial generation's issue in the 2016 election. He has volunteered in New Orleans, working on multiple fronts to help rebuild the city after Hurricane Katrina and in the greater Atlanta community, tutoring youth with immigrant backgrounds. After Emory, he plans to pursue a graduate degree in public policy and continue working for human/civil rights in my domestic sphere.



Nikita Perumal Columbia University

Originally from Louisville, Kentucky, Nikita is a junior undergraduate in the Dual BA Program between Columbia University and Sciences Po. At the Euro-American campus of Sciences Po Paris in Reims, France, she received a bachelor's degree in the social sciences, with specializations in law and political science. At Columbia she is currently completing a major in human rights and a minor in sustainable development. Nikita has been active in a variety of grassroots environmental and social justice campaigns since high school and is particularly interested in the human rights implications of environmental issues like climate change. In her spare time, she enjoys cooking, writing and exploring new cities. Nikita is decidedly undecided about her current career path - but she hopes to work to create meaningful human rights and environmental policy in some capacity.



Bill De La Rosa Bowdoin College

Born in Nogales, Arizona, Bill is a sociology and Latin American studies double major planning to pursue a PhD in sociology with an emphasis on migration. A Mexican-American, first generation college student, he is the student coordinator for the Maine Volunteer Lawyers Project, a member of the national State Farm Youth Advisory Board, a Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellow and a Gates Millennium Scholar. In 2014, he was the youngest of 15 US delegates selected by the Forum for Cooperation Understanding and Solidarity (FoCUS) to work alongside 15 Mexicans to draft policies and influence US-Mexico affairs. Bill is passionate about immigrant rights and has conducted grant-funded research on the effects of border security on undocumented migration and presented his findings at the Eastern Sociological Society and the Association for Borderland Studies.



Erica Sterling
Emory University

Erica Sterling is a senior at Emory University double majoring in history and psychology. As a staff member of Volunteer Emory, a student-run community service organization at Emory, Erica led a weekly service trip to the Genesis Shelter, a shelter for newborn babies and their mothers. She is a Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellow, Fox Center Undergraduate Humanities Honors Fellow and conducts research for the Georgia Civil Rights Cold Case Project. Her honors thesis, "A Better Chance for Brown," interrogates the role of philanthropy in the integration of private secondary education in the United States from 1963 to 1978 and the government's abdication of responsibility in solving historical injustices. Erica's primary passions deal with educational inequality. After taking a gap year, Erica plans to pursue a PhD in history or American studies to further her studies of educational inequality and public policy.



Mohamed Taguine

Institut d'études politiques de Paris (Sciences Po Paris)

Born and raised in France by North African parents, Mohamed Taguine is currently a master's student in international affairs at Sciences Po Paris. As a member of Salaam, a student association providing interfaith dialogue, Mohamed is committed to build bridges of cultural understanding. He previously interned with the United Nations and the independent media Democracy Now! in New York, where he was strongly involved in the grassroots struggles for social, economic and racial justice. In his spare time, Mohamed reads about African American history and multicultural studies. After Sciences Po, Mohamed plans to work in human rights advocacy for an international NGO.



Sharon Villigran
University of California, Los Angeles

A rising senior at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), Sharon Villagran is majoring in sociology, with a double minor in Latin American studies and labor and workplace studies. Pursuing a career as a researcher of international migration, Sharon is currently working on her senior thesis for a Sociology Honors Seminar. As an openended ethnography, she is spending time on the two busiest Metro bus lines in Los Angeles, looking to better understand how public transportation serves as a vehicle for social mobility and socialization in the lives of immigrant workers. Born and raised in South Central Los Angeles, Sharon has also volunteered extensively for organizations within her community, which together, share a commitment to diversity and community solidarity. Understanding that there are many barriers to higher education in her community, through her volunteer work, Sharon hopes to aid in dismantling these barriers for future generations.

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SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Judith Service Montier

Judith Service Montier is a trusted marketing and communications executive with more than 15 years of experience in the arts and cultural and non-profit sectors. Service Montier currently serves as Vice President of Marketing for The National Center for Civil and Human Rights, Inc., where she directed the widely-publicized launch of The Center's grand opening on June 23, 2014. She is responsible for driving revenue through broad-based engagement, brand management, strategic communications, public relations, advertising and the organization's digital presence. Service Montier most recently served as Vice President of Marketing and Communications for United Way of Greater Atlanta. Prior to her role at United Way, Service Montier served as the director of Marketing and Corporate Sponsorship for the National Black Arts Festival, the entertainment manager of the Olympic Village for the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games and worked for superstar Diana Ross. Service Montier is a graduate of Dartmouth College. She serves on the board of the Atlanta Press Club, C.H.O.I.C.E.S. (Center for Helping Obesity in Children End Successfully) and the Rialto Center for the Arts. She is an alumna of Leadership Atlanta, class of 2013. Judith and her husband, Juan Montier, an interior architect and boutique caterer, have two sons. They are members of the historic Ebenezer Baptist Church and reside in Decatur, GA.

David Mandel

David Mandel serves as the Director of Exhibits and Design for the National Center for Civil and Human Rights. As the director, Mandel oversaw the design and content development for the new Center for Civil and Human Rights being built in downtown Atlanta. From 2004 to 2007, he was the Director of Exhibitions at New-York Historical Society. At the New-York Historical Society, he oversaw development, design, production, and installation of all exhibitions. Additionally, as the Senior Exhibition Developer and Coordinator at Ralph Appelbaum Associates, Mandel conducted research and created briefs on exhibit topics; write concept design presentation books, video film treatments, exhibit labels and captions, and develop narrative storylines.

Michelle Issadore

Michelle Issadore, M.Ed. is an affiliated consultant with The NCHERM Group and the Executive Director of the School and College Organization for Prevention Educators (SCOPE). She works with schools, colleges and community organizations nationwide to assess and improve their strategic prevention efforts, as well as research and understand best practice initiatives. She has a B.A. in Psychology and Women's Studies from Brandeis University and a M.Ed. in College Student Affairs from The Pennsylvania State University. Michelle spent five years as Assistant Director of the Women's Center at Lehigh University. Michelle completed 40 hours of advocate training in Pennsylvania's Northampton and Lehigh counties. Michelle has served as co-chair of the National Women's Studies Association's Women's Centers Committee, as a member of the Clery Center for Security on Campus Advisory Board and as part of the Futures Without Violence Campus Policy Advisory Board.

Adam Chalker

Adam Chalker serves as the Director of Customer success at PlotWatt, where he applies behavioral science to help customers use less electricity. Prior to PlotWatt, he spent 9 years as a management consultant specializing in executive coaching and leadership development. He also is a former co-owner of East Coast CrossFit. Adam holds an M.Ed in Education & Human Development, completed leadership coach training at Georgetown, served as a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar at l'Institut d'Etudes Politiques in Strasbourg, France, and graduated with High Honors in Political Science from Davidson College. Adam was an HIA Fellow in the Netherlands in 2002, and hosted John Lewis on behalf of HIA at Davidson College in Fall 2002 as his HIA Fellows Project.

JULY 8

La'Neice Marie Littleton

La'Neice Marie Littleton is a third year doctoral student in Humanities with concentrations in African American Studies and History at Clark Atlanta University. She attended the University of Colorado at Boulder where she earned a B.A. in Ethnic Studies, and Clark Atlanta University where she earned a Master's in African American Studies. Her research interests include literacy and education on the American plantation, literacy in relation to African American leadership, Frederick Douglass, W. E. B. Du Bois, and Malcolm X. Her most recent work, "High Hope and Fixed Purpose: Frederick Douglass and the Talented Tenth on the American Plantation," was published in the Phylon: The Clark Atlanta University Review of Race and Culture. Born and raised in Denver, Colorado, La'Neice Marie Littleton currently lives in Atlanta, Georgia.

Charmayne E. Patterson, PhD

Charmayne E. Patterson earned her doctorate in History from Georgia State University. Her dissertation examined the role of Prosperity Theology in the African American Megachurch. With research interests in twentieth century American and African American History, the contemporary Black Church, and the relationship between religion and science her current research focuses on the role of social activism in African American Megachurches. Dr. Patterson is an Assistant Professor in the Department of African American Studies, Africana Women's Studies, and History (AWH) at Clark Atlanta University.

JULY 9

Roslyn Pope, PhD

Roslyn Pope, PhD In March 1960, Spelman student government president, Roslyn Pope authored "An Appeal for Human Rights" which appeared as a full-page advertisement in multiple newspapers including the Atlanta Constitution and the Nation. Her words, "We do not intend to wait placidly for those rights which are already legally and morally ours to be meted out to us one at a time," ignited the Atlanta Student Movement in Atlanta. During the Modern Civil Rights Movement, the tenets articulated in the manifesto shaped the ideals of a generation of student activists throughout the United States. As one of the most important written documents of the 20th century, her words also expanded the definition of civil rights as a human right, meaning the recognition of the inherent dignity and inalienable rights of all members of the human family. When asked about the "Appeal" and the words she so eloquently penned, she replied, " Having just returned from a year of study in Paris as a Merrill Scholar, I was not in the mood to return to segregation and second class citizenship. ... I was unshackled. I was looking for a movement." In 2012, Dr. Pope was recognized with a proclamation by the Atlanta City Council and in 2013, she received an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Spelman College for her years of service as a civil rights activist, educator, and civic leader.

Alona Clifton

Alona Clifton is from Berkeley, CA and a product of the 60's; she's a former elected official - Trustee for Peralta Community Colleges. She has many years of activism and engagement in political, social and economic grassroots efforts in the Berkeley/Oakland bay area. Alona has earned a measure of respect for her relentless advocacy in behalf of historically underserved communities. Alona relocated to Atlanta nine months ago and is currently the We Count! Atlanta - Outreach Coordinator, Volunteer with GeorgiaWAND (Women's Action for New Directions).

Christy Garrison-Harrison

Christy Garrison-Harrison is a doctoral candidate in the field of History and pursuing a certificate in Women's Studies at Georgia State University. She has taught part-time/adjunct Instructor at Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta Metropolitan College and at Georgia State University. Mrs. Garrison-Harrison earned a Master of Arts is in African-American History, as well as her Bachelor of Arts, in American History from Clark Atlanta University.

Kenja McCray

Kenja McCray has a bachelor's from Spelman College and a master's in history from Clark Atlanta University. She is currently a PhD candidate in history at Georgia State University. Her areas of interest are the 19th and 20th century United States, African Americans, Africa and the diaspora, transnational histories, women, class and social history. Kenja is also an associate professor of history at Atlanta Metropolitan State College (AMSC). She teaches U.S. and African American history. She works to help AMSC students gain a holistic college experience as an adviser of the Social Sciences Association.

Adelina Nicholls

Adelina Nicholls was born in México City, with studies in Sociology graduated from Political and Social Sciences College at the Autonomous National University of México U.N.A.M. She has been a co-Founder and President of the Coordinating Council of Latino Community Leaders of Atlanta, where for the past five years all her efforts it has been dedicated in the defense of Immigrants civil and human rights, and at the same time she, has been a provider of workshops of Grassroots Community Organization and Leadership workshops statewide. She was a lead Organizer of the First Latino March for Dignity in Georgia, where more than 5000 people gather in demand of driver's licenses at the occasion of the Freedom Ride arrival to Atlanta. Currently she works as the executive director of Georgia Latino Alliance for Human Rights (former Coordinadora de Líderes Comunitarios).

JULY 10

Calinda Lee, PhD

Calinda Lee, PhD Educated at Spelman College, New York University and Emory University, Calinda N. Lee is Historian for the Atlanta History Center. As a member of the center's leadership team, she works to develop plans that inform visitor experiences in exhibitions, historic houses, historic gardens, and public programs/education. She is a scholar who conducts primary research into all aspects of local and regional history with an emphasis on topics that serve the mission of the History Center and its primary collections, and creates texts and interpretive media that support and fulfill the institution's mission. She has held teaching and administrative positions at Emory University, Loyola University Chicago and Spelman College. A prolific practitioner, she has developed projects for institutions including the Albuquerque Museum, the City Museum of Washington, DC, the Maryland Museum for African American Life and History, the Chicago History Museum, and the National Black Arts Festival. It is her deep belief that historical scholarship must be intimately linked with community to be of greatest service: "I try to make history personal every day, to connect lessons from the past to living in the present and planning for the future."

Nasir Muhammed

Nasir Muhammed is the CEO and Founder of Black Mecca of the South Tours, which aims to provide an exceptional educational and tourist experience through showcasing black Atlanta's rich history. The tour will highlight some lesser known but key historical locations and figures and include iconic historical treasures as well. The mission is thus to celebrate, share, and highlight the places, people, and events that helped define not only the rich African American legacy in Atlanta but the Gate City overall. Black Mecca of the South Tours offers educational entertainment for the whole family. Make your pilgrimage to some ATL musts and discover more black Atlanta history treasures!

JULY 13

Honorable John Eaves

In 2014, Honorable John Eaves was elected to his third four-year term as Chairman of the Fulton County Commission. Since 2007, he has led the state's most populous and dynamic county, home to nearly one million residents and 14 municipalities including Georgia's capitol city of Atlanta. Before entering politics, John held leadership roles in nonprofit and academic arenas, both nationally and abroad. For seven years, he served as the Southeast Regional Director of the Peace Corps. He is most proud of launching Fulton County's SMART Justice Advisory Council, a group of community and law enforcement leaders working to reduce recidivism rates, find alternative programs for first-time offenders, and help motivated inmates reclaim their lives. Chairman Eaves is a graduate of Morehouse College; he has a master's degree in Religion from Yale University and earned his PhD in Educational Administration from the University of South Carolina. John resides in Atlanta and is the devoted father of two children; Isaac and Keturah.

Jacqueline A. Rouse, PhD

Jacqueline A. Rouse, PhD received her bachelor's from Howard University, her master's from Atlanta University (now Clark Atlanta University) and her PhD from Emory University, specializing in African American women. Since 1991 she has been a member of the History Department and associate faculty (and founding coordinator of) the Department of African American Studies, Georgia State University. Previous affiliations have included American University, Morehouse College, Georgia Tech and as a consultant to the African American History Program, National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C. Dr. Rouse's specialty is southern African American women and the modern civil rights movement. Her research and publications, including books, articles, and documentaries examining the varied lives of black women. Lugenia Burns Hope, Black Southern Reformer won the Letitia Woods Brown Memorial Publication Prize 1990. Women in the Civil Rights Movement, Trailblazers and Torchbearers, 1941-1965 is recognized as a leading work on women and civil rights. Her current project, Nurturing Seeds of Discontent: Septima P. Clark and Participatory Democracy is being revised for Kentucky University Press. As a historian and public lecturer, Dr. Rouse has organized national conferences like the "Women in the Civil Rights Movement, Trailblazers and Torchbearer" at the King Center, Atlanta, Georgia, Fall 1988. She has served as president of the Southern Association of Women Historians, the Association of Black Women Historians and the Association of Social and Behavioral Scientists. She has been the recipient of several national fellowships and awards. On September 29, 2012 the Association of Black Women Historians, presented Dr. Rouse with its Lorraine Williams Leadership Award in recognition of her lifetime career and her national legacy as a pioneer in the field of African American Women's History. In March 2015, Dr. Rouse was honor as one of the founders of African American Women's History by Michigan State University's Cross Black Women Cross Generational Symposium.

Traci JoLeigh Drummond

Traci JoLeigh Drummond, CA, is the archivist for the Southern Labor Archives, part of Georgia State University Library's Special Collections and Archives. Traci works directly with unions and labor organizations providing assistance and advice regarding their records and other collection materials. She assists union members, students, faculty, and other patrons who use the Southern Labor Archives with research and study. She received her Master of Science in Information Studies from the iSchool, University of Texas at Austin, in 2003.

Dean Baker

Dean Baker uses his background in Economic Development, Historic Preservation, City Planning, and Architectural History, to help creating inviting and engaging, pedestrian-oriented spaces that connect the story of a location to the actual physical space. This has led to the creation of City Saga, a digital tour experience for Auburn Avenue in Atlanta. Dean is also known for his historical research on the development of Peachtree Center by the original architect-developer John C. Portman Jr. These stories intersect in surprising ways to provide a glimpse into the period of great change that brought forth the modern Atlanta we know today.

John Wright

John Wright has spent most of his career working in various special collections capacities. For the last 8 1/2 years, he has worked for the Atlanta-Fulton Public Library System, the last 6 in the Special Collections Department. Prior to moving to AFPLS, he worked as the manager of the US Environmental Protection Agency - Region 4 library. He has also worked as a Records Manager at USEPA Region 4 and for the Centers for Disease Control. In addition, he has experience working as an archivist at Emory University's Pitts Theology Library and in the Archives Division at the Wisconsin Historical Society.



David Levering Lewis, PhD

David Levering Lewis's field is comparative history with special focus on 20th-century US social history, imperialism in 19th-century Africa, 20th-century France and Muslim Iberia. He holds graduate degrees in history from Columbia (MA, '59) and the London School of Economics and Political Science (PhD, '63). He has taught at the University of Notre Dame, Howard University, University of California-San Diego; Rutgers-New Brunswick; and Harvard. In 2002, Mr. Lewis relinquished the Rutgers professorship established in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. He joined New York University's history department in 2003 as Julius Silver Professor. He became Julius Silver University Professor and Professor of History in 2005.

Mr. Lewis has written nine books and compiled several editions. A historian of the French Third Republic, he wrote Prisoners of Honor: The Dreyfus Affair (1974, UK, 1975) based on new material from French military archives. Prisoners of Honor had been temporarily set aside to write King: A Critical Biography (1970, rev. ed. 1978, 2013) for Allen Lane the Penguin Press, UK, the first scholarly biography of Dr. King. Lewis's civil rights history excursion led him to write a history of the Harlem Renaissance, When Harlem Was in Voque (1980) for Alfred Knopf. Third Republic interests, combined with a lectureship at the University of Ghana, inspired Lewis to write The Race to Fashoda: European Colonialism and African Resistance to the Scramble for Africa (1988, rev. ed. 1994). W.E.B. Du Bois: Biography of a Race, 1868-1919 (1993) received in 1994, respectively, the Bancroft Prize in American History, the Francis Parkman Prize and the Pulitzer Prize for Biography. In 2001, W.E.B. Du Bois: The Fight for Equality and the American Century, 1919-1963 (2000) received a second Pulitzer Prize for Biography. Lewis's recent book, God's Crucible: Islam and the Making of Europe, 570 to 1215 was published by Norton (2008) and translated into Spanish, Portuguese, Korean, Indonesian and several other languages.

Mr. Lewis has received fellowships from the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars (twice), the John Simon Guggenheim Foundation, the John D. and Catharine T. MacArthur Foundation and the American Academy in Berlin. He is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences, the American Philosophical Society, former trustee of the National Humanities Center, former commissioner of the National Portrait Gallery, former senator of the Phi Beta Kappa Society and former president of the Society of American Historians. He was awarded the 2010 National Humanities Medal by President Barack Obama at the White House. Mr. Lewis retired from New York University in August 2013 as Julius Silver University Professor and Professor of History Emeritus. On May 11, 2015, he received the Arthur Meier Schlesinger Distinguished Service Award from the Society of American Historians.

David Levering Lewis resides on Manhattan's Upper West Side and near Stanfordville, New York. Immediate family consists of daughter Allison and spouse Michael, granddaughters Marissa and Natalie, and sons Eric and Jason, from Mr. Lewis's previous marriage to Sharon Siskind, and daughter Allegra by marriage to Ruth Ann Stewart, recently deceased.

Vicki Crawford, PhD

Vicki Crawford, PhD is Director of the Morehouse College Martin Luther King, Jr. Collection where she is developing campus-based programming in support of the Collection and creating opportunities for teaching, research and scholarship that promote the legacy of Dr. King. She is an editor of the groundbreaking volume of essays, Women in the Civil Rights Movement: Trailblazers and Torchbearers, which address the underrepresented role of women in the Civil Rights Movement. Her scholarship also includes a number of book chapters and essays such as "African American Women in the Twenty-First Century: The Continuing Challenge," in the American Woman 2000; several entries in Black Women in America as well as a book chapter in Sisters in the Struggle. Dr. Crawford received her PhD degree from Emory University in the field of American Studies with a concentration in twentieth century African American history. She has been on the faculties at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, the State University of West Georgia and Clark Atlanta University.

Andrea R. Jackson

Ms. Andrea R. Jackson currently serves as the Head of the Archives Research Center at the Atlanta University Center Robert W. Woodruff Library where she is responsible for leading all department operations. One of her projects includes leading the processing of the Mayoral Records of Maynard Jackson, first African American Mayor of Atlanta, Georgia, and subsequent coordination of the traveling exhibition, The People's Mayor: Maynard Jackson and the Politics of Transformation. She is also responsible for the reference implementation of the digitized collections – the Morehouse College Martin Luther King, Jr., Tupac Amaru Shakur, and HBCU Library Alliance historical collections. Jackson is a proud of alumna of Spelman College and New York University where she received her MA in US History and Certification in Archival Management and Historical Editing. She has also served on the planning committees for the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, and the Phoenix Award-winning Coalition to Commemorate the 1906 Atlanta Race Riot.

Aviva Kempner

Aviva Kempner has a mission in life: Her films and writing, investigates nonstereotypical images of Jews in history and focuses and celebrates the untold stories of Jewish heroes. She conceived of and produced Partisans of Vilna, a documentary on Jewish resistance against the Nazis, produced and directed Peabody-winning The Life and Times of Hank Greenberg, about the Jewish slugger who fought anti-Semitism in the 1930's and 40's, and produced and directed Yoo-Hoo, Mrs. Goldberg, a humorous and eye-opening story of television pioneer Gertrude Berg. And now from Aviva Kempner comes Rosenwald, a feature-length historical documentary about how businessman and philanthropist Julius Rosenwald joined with Southern African American communities during the Jim Crow years to build over 5,400 schools during the early part of the 20th century. This historical partnership as well as the modern-day attempts to restore the schools is an inspiring story of philanthropy and local selfdetermination. This enlightened patron also constructed key buildings in Chicago and awarded fellowship grants to a who's who of African American intellectuals and artists of his day so that they could pursue their scholarship and art. Because of his modesty, Rosenwald's generosity and alliances are not well known today. Kempner lives in Washington, DC where she plays a prominent role in the artist and film community. She started the Washington Jewish Film Festival in 1990. She is also an activist for voting rights for the District of Columbia. Kempner is the child of a Holocaust survivor and US army officer and was born in Berlin after WWII.

Adriana Varela

Adriana Varela is a Foreign Attorney in Fragomen's Atlanta office. Her practice includes working with clients to develop effective strategies for international business immigration while ensuring compliance with applicable international rules and regulations. She also advises employers with global operations on immigration requirements for employees assigned to work in North and South America, Europe, Asia and the Middle East. Prior to relocating to the United States, Adriana practiced law in Mexico as an associate for a renowned multi-practice firm. Subsequently, she served as in-house counsel for a Financial Group. Adriana currently serves as Board chair at New American Pathways which is the only organization in Georgia providing a full continuum of support and wrap-around services for refugees. New American Pathways provides up to 3,500 refugees per year with the necessary tools to rebuild their lives and achieve long-term success.

Warren St. John

Warren St. John has written for the New York Observer, The New Yorker, Wired and Slate, in addition to his work as a reporter for The New York Times. His first book, Rammer Jammer Yellow Hammer: A Journey into the Heart of Fan Mania (2004), was named one of Sports Illustrated's best books of the year, and ranked number one on The Chronicle of Higher Education"s list of the best books ever written about collegiate athletics. His second book, Outcasts United: An American Town, A Refugee Team, and One Woman"s Quest to Make a Difference was published in the U.S. in April 2009, and subsequently in the U.K., The Netherlands, Germany, Italy, Japan and China. St. John was born in Birmingham, Alabama, where he attended The Altamont School. He studied English literature at Columbia College in New York City, where he now lives with his wife and daughter.

Duncan de la Feld

Duncan de la Feld has been with the IRC in Atlanta for 4 years and is currently the Volunteer & Donations Coordinator. Before joining the IRC in Atlanta, Duncan completed a B.A. in International Studies and M.A. in International Peace and Conflict Resolution at the American University (Washington, D.C.). Duncan is a returned Peace Corp Volunteer who served in Morocco in the Youth Development sector from 2008-2010. Duncan oversees the IRC's internship and volunteer program (currently with over 380 active volunteers), manages in-kind donations, and assists with external relations for the IRC in Atlanta.

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Enrique Alemán, Jr., PhD

Enrique Alemán, Jr., PhD, is the Executive Producer and Co-Writer of Stolen Education, a documentary about the forgotten history of a little-known court case from the 1950s, Hernandez et al. v. Driscoll Consolidated School District. In 1956 eight elementary students testified in a federal desegregation court case. As Mexican Americans, they were placed in three years of first grade as a way to discriminate against them by the all White school board, administration and faculty. Stolen Education documents the journey to recapture the remarkable story of the schoolchildren who changed educational history in Texas and confronts the continued inequity in public schools today. It has been screened at universities and colleges, public libraries and in public schools, and has been accepted into two film festivals – the Ruby Mountain Film Festival in Nevada and the CineSol Film Festival in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas.

Charles Jaret

Charles Jaret grew up on Long Island, NY, and received an undergraduate degree at Colgate University. He obtained an MA and PhD at University of Chicago and then came to Georgia State University in the mid-1970s, where he taught in the Department of Sociology for almost 40 years. His academic areas of interest and research are urban sociology, immigration, and race/ethnicity. He has published work on immigrants' mobility and naturalization, socio-economic inequality in metropolitan areas, and ethnic identity.

Honorable Tisha Tallman

Honorable Tisha Tallman is the President & CEO of the Georgia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (GHCC). The GHCC is one of the top 4 largest Hispanic chambers of commerce in the United States. In 2012, she was appointed to serve as a part-time Municipal Court Judge for the City of Decatur. Beginning in 2013, she serves as a District 4 representative on the Council of Municipal Court Judges Executive Committee. In 2012, Ms. Tallman participated in a panel with four former Latin American Presidents at the Global Peace Business Forum. Ms. Tallman was a participant in a transportation infrastructure roundtable discussion at the White House through the White House Business Council American Economic Competitiveness Series. She participated in the APEC (Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation) CEO Summit 2008 in Lima, Peru - a convening of Leaders of economies and senior business figures from across the Asia Pacific and the Americas. She was invited by the former President of Mexico Vicente Fox and the U.S.-Mexico Chamber of Commerce to be a member of the Commission on North American Social and Economic Prosperity. She is the former Southeast Regional Counsel of MALDEF, the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, a national Latino non-profit organization. There she coordinated, supervised and lead the litigation, public policy advocacy and community outreach for 11 (eleven) states.

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Helen Ho, Esq.

Helen Ho, Esq. is the Founding Executive Director of Asian Americans Advancing Justice - Atlanta, the first nonprofit law center dedicated to promoting the civil, social and economic rights of Asian immigrants and refugees in the South. She leads Advancing Justice Atlanta's public policy, legal education, community organizing, and leadership development work to further its goal of increasing the civic participation of Asian Americans in the South. Advancing Justice - Atlanta was formed in April 2010 after Helen successfully organized Asian immigrant and refugee-led groups to take collective action against a proposed English-only driver license bill that violated the 14th Amendment. Helen is a graduate of Rice University and a 1999 Honors graduate of Emory University School of Law. Helen is married to Rodney Ho, Entertainment Columnist for the Atlanta Journal Constitution, and is the mother of two adorable dogs.

Charles H. Kuck

Charles H. ("Chuck") Kuck Esq. is the Managing Attorney at Kuck Immigration Partners in Atlanta, Georgia. Chuck served as the National President of the American Immigration Lawyers Association ("AILA") from 2008-2009. He is also a past president of the Alliance of Business Immigration Lawyers, and an Adjunct Professor of Law at Emory Law School. He was named one of the top 5 immigration attorneys in the world by Chambers & Partners again in 2015, and was named one of the 2011 "100 Most Influential Georgians" by Georgia Trend_magazine. He has practiced immigration law for 25 years, has spoken to numerous legal and business conferences on all types of immigration related topics, has testified in Congress on various aspects of Immigration Law and Immigration Reform, is frequently quoted in the national press, and appears regularly on television and cable news outlets.

Jerry Gonzalez

Jerry Gonzalez is the founding and current Executive Director of Georgia Association of Latino Elected Officials (GALEO) and the GALEO Latino Community Development Fund. GALEO was founded in 2003 and is a 501 (c) (6) statewide nonprofit and nonpartisan organization; its mission is to increase civic engagement and leadership development of the Latino/Hispanic community across Georgia. The GALEO Latino Community Development Fund is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization affiliated with GALEO. Gonzalez is a native of Laredo, TX and received his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Texas A&M University in 1995. He completed his Master of Public Administration with a Nonprofit Administration emphasis at the Andrew Young School of Public Policy at Georgia State University in 2005. Gonzalez was an active student at Texas A&M with diverse interests including the Society of Mexican American Engineers and Scientists (MAES), the Fightin' Texas Aggie Band (clarinet), and the Corps of Cadets. After graduation, Gonzalez served on the MAES National Board of Directors as a Regional Vice President.

Honorable Pedro Marin

Pedro Marin has honorably served House District 96 in the Georgia General Assembly for the past thirteen years. He currently serves on the House Banks & Banking, Economic Development & Tourism, Industry & Labor and Science & Technology Committees. Rep. Marin has created a reputation as an elected official dedicated to being a voice for justice, opportunity, and equality for all people. He has facilitated countless intercultural relation programs to educate people about minorities, which have been critical in discrediting stereotypes and easing tensions that arise when people are adverse to change. Rep. Marin has also led numerous community organizing efforts to register voters, protect minorities from unfair treatment, and raise awareness about health & educational disparities. He was born and raised in San Juan, Puerto Rico. He has been happily married to his wife, Nereida, for 33 years and has one son, Joel.

Honorable Ted Terry

At 32 years of age, Ted Terry is the youngest Mayor in the City of Clarkston's History and second youngest in Georgia. Ted has spent the last decade working in the public service sector, doing everything from nonprofit consulting for organizations like the Sierra Club, Human Rights Campaign and Environment Georgia, to campaign organizing and consulting for state representatives, state senators, county commissioners, school boards members, local officials and a U.S. Congressman. During his time as a fundraiser, Ted Terry personally helped raise millions of dollars for campaigns and causes, always with a focus on uniting individuals and businesses behind common goals for a better society. His vision is to build a Clarkston that is safer, greener and more prosperous, creating a community that celebrates our youth, opening doors for their futures. Personal Motto: You can't change the world, if you can't change yourself.

Dawud Anyabwile

Emmy Award Winner, Dawud Anyabwile is the creator and illustrator of the Brotherman Comics series, which was conceptualized in 1989 and introduced at the NYC Black Expo in May 1990. He and his brothers teamed up to produce the Brotherman comics series which is recognized as the spark for the current, modern day Black Comics/Superhero movement. He has also been nominated for BEST ARTIST for the prestigious Will Eisner Award as well as received the Key to Kansas City for Outstanding Service to Children.

Ernie Suggs

Ernie Suggs has been a reporter at the AJC since 1997, currently covering a variety of breaking news and investigative stories for page A1. He previously reported for newspapers in New York City and Durham, N.C. A veteran of more than 20 years as a newspaper reporter, Suggs has covered stories ranging from politics to civil rights to higher education. A 1990 graduate of North Carolina Central University, with a degree in English Literature, Suggs was also a Harvard University Nieman Fellow. He is currently on the Nieman Board of Trustees and the former national vice president of the National Association of Black Journalists.

Mausike Scales

Mausike Scales is the Common Ground Collective's Musical Director and serves as keyboardist for the group. Common Ground is based in Atlanta, GA. The *Common Ground Collective is a 15 piece Afrobeat-Soul Orchestra that explores musical styles from West Africa, including Afrobeat to Funk-Jazz. From his early exposure to music, Mausiki developed an interest jazz and funk and while attending college at Tuskegee University he co-founded the R&B group Noir. Upon graduation from Tuskegee University, Mausiki traveled to Atlanta, Georgia to attend a Master's program in History. During this time, he fine-tuned his craft while playing with local bands. He played with bands he co-founded Fa (1992-1995), and subsequently, Afro Blue Trio (1995 - 1998). In 1998, Mausiki formed the Common Ground Collective, weaving sounds of soul, funk, jazz and African consciousness. He has recorded and performed with Julie Dexter, Jiva, Afroblue, and Venuseven as well as performed for Winnie Mandela, Dick Gregory, Ben Carson, Jesse Jackson and Bill Cosby. Mausiki has played in numerous venues at home and abroad. In addition to his work as a music artist, Mausiki has worked as a professor of history and African / African American Studies in the Atlanta University Center and Georgia State University, a group of the country's major institutions of higher learning for African Americans for over a decade. A published historian, Mausiki resides in Atlanta and is the father of two. Currently Mausiki & Common Ground completed a collaborative music project with the Legendary jazz musician Roy Ayers.

Carlton Anthony Usher II, PhD

Carlton Anthony Usher II, PhD is an Associate Professor of Political Science in the Department of First-Year and Transition Studies. Dr. Usher has an extended teaching and learning history spanning 15 years and contributes twenty years of experience with pre-college and first-year programs. Trained as a historian and political scientist, he teaches in several departments and across several disciples. He has taught Global Studies, History, Political Science and courses on American Popular Culture. In addition, Dr. Usher has designed and led fourteen diverse First- Year Learning Communities. Dr. Usher recently completed appointments as KSU Carnegie Scholar for Civic Engagement, CETL Fellow for Diversity in the Curriculum, University System of Georgia Governor's Teaching Fellow, USG Seven Revolutions Fellow and currently serves as cochair of the American Democracy Project, a national initiative focused on higher education's role in preparing the next generation of informed, engaged citizens.

He has a distinguished publication record that includes publication of several peer reviewed articles, book chapter, and book on student engagement, student political participation and social media. Dr. Usher's current research focuses on student-centered research, community engagement, youth political participation and global diversity.

Mario B. Williams, Esq.

Mario B. Williams, law partner at Williams Oinonen LLC, is a civil rights attorney who has represented multiple victims in cases of police shootings. He also holds a wide berth of experience in all areas of civil litigation. Mr. Williams has spent his life devoted to human rights work. He was a fellow at the Center for Advocacy and Dispute Resolution at Emory University School of Law, in the area of human rights, served in the Peace Corps in Honduras, and worked for years in Santiago, Chile for a variety of international human rights NGO's working together with the Chilean government to find cooperative resolutions for major issues that affected poor people. He co-authored one of the first human rights class actions presented in Chile and has submitted international human rights petitions to the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights on issues related to indigenous rights and affordable housing in South America. Mr. Williams is a Morehouse graduate and attended The Northwestern School of Law of Lewis and Clark.

Joel Alvarado

Joel Alvarado is the Director of Community Outreach and Engagement at Georgia Piedmont Technical College where he responsible for establishing and fortifying relationships with community, government, business, non-profit and academic stakeholders to advance the mission of the college. Joel previously served as Senior Advisor to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of DeKalb County, Legislative Director for DeKalb County Government, Georgia Campaign for Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention (G-CAPP), Clark Atlanta University, the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF), as a Congressional Aide and started his own political communications company called Power of the Pen, LLC. He is co-author, along with Georgia State University Professor Dr. Charles Jaret, of a report entitled, Building Black-Brown Coalitions in the Southeast: Four African American-Latino Collaborations, a yearlong case study on Black-Brown relations in the Southeast. He is a board member of the Civic League for Regional Atlanta, Clarkston Community Center, and a member of the Georgia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. C.T. Vivian

In 1947, C.T. Vivian participated in his first non-violent action to end segregation at lunch counters in Peoria. But because of his strong religious upbringing and beliefs, he says he was called to a life in the ministry. However, he saw no separation between civil rights, faith and ministry because "racism is a moral issue." With the help of his church, he enrolled in American Baptist Theological Seminary in Nashville in 1955. Also in 1955, he and other ministers founded the Nashville Christian Leadership Conference, an affiliate of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). The group organized and trained students to embark on a movement to end segregation in Nashville. The Nashville affiliate organized the city's first sit-ins in 1960 and led the first march of the Civil Rights Movement. In 1961, he joined Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) members and other ministers to continue the Freedom Rides into Jackson, Miss. after a group from the Congress of Racial Equality disbanded. The SNCC group was arrested and Vivian was badly beaten at Parchman Prison. In 1963, Martin Luther King asked Vivian to work on the Executive Staff of the SCLC as the national director of affiliates. As an SCLC strategist, he worked to help get the Civil Rights Bill and Voting Rights Acts passed. In 1965, he famously confronted Sheriff Jim Clark on the steps of Selma's courthouse while leading blacks to register to vote. After leaving SCLC in 1966, he moved to Chicago to direct the Urban Training Center for Christian Missions where he trained clergy, community leaders and others to organize. Later, as a coordinator for the Coalition for United Community Action, he led a direct-action campaign against racism in trade unions and helped mediate a truce among Chicago gangs. In 1972, he became the director of Seminary Without Walls at Shaw University Divinity School in Raleigh, N.C. Among his many leadership roles, he serves on the board of the Center for Democratic Renewal, the National Voting Rights Museum and as a founder of Capital City Bank, a black-owned bank in Atlanta. He has provided civil rights counsel to Presidents Johnson, Carter, Reagan and Clinton and continues to lecture on racial justice and democracy. In 2012, Dr. Vivian was granted the Presidential Medal of Freedom Award by President Barack Obama.

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Dr. Rev. Joanna Adams

Dr. Rev. Joanna Adams is a preacher, pastor, and teacher and is known for building bridges of understanding in both the community and in the church. A graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary, Rev. Adams holds an honorary doctorate of divinity from Davidson College, was awarded an Alumni Association Medal of Honor from Emory University and Columbia's Distinguished Alumni/ae award. A pastor in five Presbyterian churches over the past thirty years, Joanna has also served as a trustee of the Presbyterian Church Foundation, trustee of Agnes Scott College, and chair of the Board of Trustees for Columbia Theological Seminary. In 2006, she was named Georgia Woman of the Year and has been featured in Atlanta Magazine as one of the forty-five most loved Atlantans. She has preached at the National Cathedral, the Memorial Church of Harvard University, as well as at many Presbyterian and ecumenical events. She has authored over 30 published articles, sermons, and chapters in books.

Joanna and her husband, attorney Alfred B. Adams, have a daughter, a son and two grandchildren.

Rev. Billy Michael Honor

Rev. Billy Michael Honor is an Atlanta based minister and public scholar who writes and speaks widely about issues in religion and culture. Rev. Honor also serves as the Pastor of Pulse Church, which is a newly formed progressive faith community in the city of Atlanta. He has obtained degrees from three theological institutions: a Master of Theology from Emory University, a master of divinity from the Interdenominational Theological Center, and a bachelor of arts in Biblical Education from Beulah Heights University; and he is an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church USA. He also facilitates an award winning blog called the Critical Cleric and writes regularly for the Huffington post and Sojourners Magazine. In his leisure time Billy enjoys restaurant hopping, playing card games, reading, traveling and hanging out with his lovely wife, Kaldeen, who is an education and nonprofit professional.

Dr. Gerald L. Durley

Dr. Gerald L. Durley was born in Wichita, Kansas. He grew up in California, graduated from high school in Denver, and attended college at Tennessee State University. While earning a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology, playing on a championship basketball team, and serving as student government president, he became very active in the civil rights movement. After graduating, Dr. Durley became one of the first Peace Corp volunteers to enter Nigeria, West Africa. From Africa he ventured to Switzerland where he enrolled in postgraduate studies at the University of Neuchantel. While there, he was invited to play for one of the Swiss National basketball teams. When he returned to the United States, Dr. Durley enrolled in Northern Illinois University where he again became intensely involved in the struggle for human dignity, and earned one of the first Masters Degrees in Community Mental Health. He earned a Doctorate Degree in Urban Education and Psychology from University of Massachusetts and a Master of Divinity Degree from Howard University. Dr. Durley currently serves as Pastor of Providence Missionary Baptist Church and is a highly sought speaker on civil and human rights issues. He and his wife, Muriel, have 2 children and 4 grandchildren.

Imam Plemon T. El-Amin

Imam Plemon T. El-Amin has served for the past twenty-three years as the Resident Imam of the Atlanta Masjid of Al-Islam, one of the largest and most progressive Mosques in the United States. He worked closely as an aide and supporter of Imam W. Deen Mohammed and his Ministry, The Mosque Cares.

Judy Marx

In October 2014, Judy Marx was named the first Executive Director of Interfaith Community Initiatives, a position that became full-time in March 2015. In this position, she oversees ICI's many programs, including World Pilgrims, Atlanta Interfaith Leaders Fellowship, and Interfaith Immersions, as well as represents interfaith efforts at community events and works with faith leadership across the city. Prior to joining ICI, for three years Judy consulted with nonprofit organizations to improve their fundraising, community relations and leadership development. Judy spent 12-1/2 years with American Jewish Committee where she served as the Atlanta Director, and where she was the Founding Director of the award-winning Atlanta Jewish Film Festival. Also, in 2011 and 2013, Judy produced ReelAbilities ATL, Atlanta's only disabilities film festival, working under the auspices of Georgia Community Support & Solutions. In 1999, Judy was appointed by then Governor Barnes to the Georgia Commission on the Holocaust. She is also a board member of Ahavath Achim Synagogue, a member of the 2001 Class of Leadership Atlanta, a 2002 American Marshall Memorial Fellow, a founding board member of Limmud Southeast, and in 2012 was inducted into the Martin Luther King, Jr. International Chapel College of Ministers and Laity at Morehouse College.

Amber Saunders

Amber Saunders is the CEO of Native Insights, a company that provides Native American cultural presentations to schools, organizations, and groups of all ages. She is an enrolled member of the Tuscarora Nation of NC -deer clan. Amber has been active in her culture since infancy and has danced in Native American Powwows all over the United States since she was a child At a young age she begin dancing fancy shawl, as well as Iroquois smoke dance and other Iroquois social dances. She served as the Tuscarora Princess from 1995 – 1996. Amber has been presenting Native American Indian cultural presentations to the public since she was 10 years old. She is well versed in not only sharing the dances but also sharing the history and stories behind the dances. Amber and the other Native Insight dancers have won numerous dance competitions and awards throughout the country.

Ramona Moore Big Eagle, M.Ed.

Ramona Moore Big Eagle, M.Ed. (Tuscarora/Cherokee) is President and CEO of Dare To Soar Enterprises, a company she started in 1991. The company's purpose is to inspire and empower people of all ages in all walks of life to become more effective communicators. Ramona is an internationally renowned Speaker and Storyteller as well as an Oral Historian and Legend Keeper from the Tuscarora Nation of North Carolina. Ramona received a Master of Education Degree from East Tennessee State University in Reading and Storytelling and a B.A. Degree from Catawba College. Ramona, who has been teaching for over two decades, was honored as Teacher of the Year in Drama for 2001-2002 at Community School of the Arts and received the 2012 Faculty Leadership Award from the University of Phoenix where she has taught for over 7 years. Ramona travels throughout the United States and Canada as a Motivational Speaker, Storyteller, Cultural Educator, Consultant, and Workshop Facilitator. Her workshops and programs are in high demand for educating and empowering audiences of all ages.

DeLesslin George-Warren

DeLesslin George-Warren grew up with one moccasin in the "city" of Rock Hill, SC and the other in the Catawba Indian Reservation. Today he continues to straddle multiple boundaries as an artist, researcher, activist, and performer. After graduating with a Bachelor of Music from Vanderbilt University in May 2014, DeLesslin was a Humanity in Action Fellow followed by a return to his reservation to conduct workshops with Catawba youth and oral history interviews with Catawba elders. Since relocating to the District of Columbia he has continued performing, creating, and lecturing throughout the east coast including Nashville, Washington, Baltimore, New York City, Ithaca, and Charleston. Current projects include a queer reimagining of canonical texts, a massively collaborative online poem, and a performance-lecture about the great history of the Catawba Indian Nation.

Deborah J. Richardson

Deborah J. Richardson is the Interim Chief Executive Officer of the National Center for Civil and Human Rights. She is recipient of Auburn seminary "Lives for Commitment Award." She is a nationally recognized leader on social justice for women and girls and an advocate to end child sex trafficking. She is currently working on a PhD in Public Policy and Social Change from Union Institute & University.

PROGRAM LOCATIONS

Georgia State University Housing Commons (2016 "P" Street NW)

Center for Civil and Human Rights (100 Ivan Allen Jr. Boulevard NW)

Woodruff Park (At the Intersection of Decatur and Peachtree Road)

Georgia State University, Classroom South, Room #510 (38 Peachtree Center Avenue SE)

Sweet Auburn Curb Market (209 Edgewood Avenue SE)

Georgia State University Library (100 Decatur Street SE)

Central Library, Atlanta Fulton County Library System (1 Margaret Mitchell Square)

Herndon Museum (587 University Place NW)

Morris Brown College (643 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive NW)

Clark Atlanta University (223 James P. Brawley Drive SW)

William Breman Jewish Heritage Museum (1440 Spring Street NW)

Negril Village Atlanta (30 North Avenue NE)

ABOUT THE CENTER FOR CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

The National Center for Civil and Human Rights in downtown Atlanta is an engaging cultural attraction that connects the American Civil Rights Movement to today's Global Human Rights Movements. The purpose of the Center is to create a safe space for visitors to explore the fundamental rights of all human beings so that they leave inspired and empowered to join the ongoing dialogue about human rights in their communities.

The Center was first imagined by civil rights legends Evelyn Lowery and former United Nations Ambassador Andrew Young and was launched by former Mayor Shirley Franklin. The effort gained broad-based corporate and community support to become one of the few places in the world educating visitors on the bridge between the American Civil Rights Movement and contemporary Human Rights Movements around the world.

Established in 2007, the Center's groundbreaking 43,000-square-foot facility is located on Pemberton Place, adjacent to the World of Coca-Cola and the Georgia Aquarium, on land donated by the Coca-Cola Company.

ABOUT HUMANITY IN ACTION

Humanity in Action is an international organization that educates, inspires and connects a network of university students and young professionals committed to promoting human rights, diversity and active citizenship in their own communities and around the world.

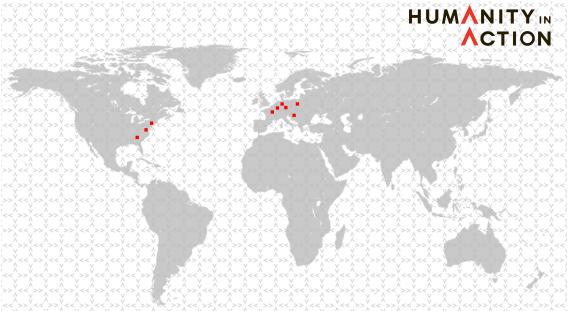
Humanity in Action has educated over 1,500 young leaders who now form a unique international community. The annual Humanity in Action Fellowship brings together more than 150 European and American university students and young professionals each summer in programs in Denmark, France, Germany, the Netherlands, Poland and the United States to discuss, learn and research in international groups. Humanity in Action Fellows meet leading experts and activists to study historical and contemporary cases of institutional violations of human and minority rights. Fellows write research-based articles and develop teaching tools to share what they learned in their programs.

Humanity in Action supports all Fellows financially for the duration of their programs, allowing for the merit-based selection of diverse applicants. Humanity in Action also provides professional development opportunities. It maintains an international network of students, young professionals, established leaders, experts and partners for which it organizes a range of educational and career opportunities, including seminars, workshops, study trips and fellowship positions at leading civic and political institutions, such as the European Parliament, the United States Congress, and the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. These opportunities encourage emerging leaders to develop their professional abilities and introduce established leaders to the ideas of the younger generation.

Humanity in Action's network of leaders is a valuable resource to policy-makers, diplomats, educators, business leaders and civic-minded individuals and organizations. By the end of the decade, Humanity in Action will connect over 2,500 professionals working in all sectors, on a range of critical issues, in countries around the world.

Humanity in Action is a non-profit, non-partisan organization with governing and advisory Boards in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Denmark, France, Germany, the Netherlands, Poland and the United States. Humanity in Action's international headquarters is in New York City.

Major supporters of Humanity in Action have included the Ford Foundation; the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation; the Richard and Rhoda Goldman Fund; the Germeshausen Foundation; the Stavros Niarchos Foundation; Open Society Foundations; the Hurford Foundation; Foundation Remembrance, Responsibility and Future (EVZ); the William H. Donner Foundation; the Fetzer Institute; the Dutch Ministry for Health, Welfare and Sport; the Polish Foreign Ministry; and the US Department of State.



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