African American History Month  

February 3, 10, 17, 24

Tour honoring the legacy of Autherine Lucy: 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.  
Autherine Lucy. UA first African American student, showed tremendous courage in the face of administrative resistance, ill-prepared law enforcement, and, eventually, violent segregationist mobs. On each Monday of February, a Judge Meredith Bagley will lead the tour, beginning at Reese Phifer steps and ending at the Hodding Malone Plaza. Co-sponsored by the Department of Communication Studies. For more information: mgabe@ua.edu, 205-348-1926.

February 5, 12, 19, 26

African American Heritage Campus Tour: 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.  
Tour covers key sites of African American experience at UA. On each Wednesday of February, Dr. Jason Black will lead the tour, beginning at Reese Phifer steps. Sites include the President's Mansion, Foster Auditorium, Noel Hall, and the Slave Grave marker. Sponsored by the Department of Communication Studies. For more information: jason.black@ua.edu, 205-657-6753.

February 5

“Eyes to See the Other” 2:15 – 3:30 p.m., Reese Phifer Hall, Room 338.  
Dr. Gabriel Tait, a veteran photojournalist and professor of multimedia journalism at Arkansas State University, examines photographs from Liberia, South Sudan, the Sudan, and Spanish Harlem and communicated to others. This insider perspective aims to outsiders an opportunity to hear from people on a local level. Co-sponsored by the Department of Journalism and Communication Disorders. For more information: Dr. Chris Roberts, croberts@ua.edu, 205-345-3038.

February 6

The Paul R. Jones Gallery reception and talk for the exhibition Scottsboro Boys: The Fred Higby Photographs: 5:00 – 7:30 p.m., Paul R. Jones Gallery, 2038 6th Street, Tuscaloosa. Dan T. Carter, the University of South Carolina Education Foundation University Professor Emeritus and author of Scottsboro: A Tragedy of the American South, will speak on “The Scottsboro Case: What We Remember and What We Forget.” Special guests will be Sheila Washington, director of the Scottsboro Boys Museum and Cultural Center; Co-sponsored by William Endsley Center for Community-Based Partnerships, Center for Ethics and Social Responsibility, Crossroads Community Center, New College, Summerville Center for the Study of the South, School of Social Work, and the departments of American Studies, Criminal Justice, and Gender and Race Studies. For more information: Kate McAllister, mcall007@as.ua.edu, 205-345-8518.

February 7

The Dr. Ethel H. Hall African American History Month Lecture, “Sisters and the Movement: The Role of Women in Civil Rights Then and Now”: 12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m., Little Hall, Room 223. This special program will be followed by a Dialogue with Women of the Movement: 1:30 – 3:00 p.m., in Little Hall Room 223. Guest speakers are Constance Iona Slaughter-Harvey, attorney, founder and president of Legacy Education and Community Development, Inc.; Dr. Cassandra Ford, Power of Love and Commitment Foundation, Inc., Forest, Mississippi; and Theresa Burroughs, founder, Safe House Black History Museum, Greensboro, Alabama. Sponsored by the School of Social Work. For more information: Liz Dykes, edykes@sw.ua.edu, 205-348-5384.

February 8

Black Masculinities: Nelson Mandela to Kanye West: 6:30 p.m., Gorgas Library, Room 205. Dr. Craig Browne has opened his dissertation about the current narrative of African American masculinity within today’s society. Sponsored by Women’s Resource Center. For more information: Eric Patterson, wrge@ua.edu, 205-348-8713.

February 9

Sponsors of facilities and a mock class and presentations on a range of topics for students interested in a legal career, all included. There will be a tour of the University of Alabama’s civil rights museum and a meal at nearby Hickory Flat. Co-sponsored by the School of Library and Information Sciences Diversity Symposium. For more information: Dr. Meredith Bagley, mbagley@ua.edu, 205-348-1926.

February 10

Documentary, “Cries Behind a Presidential Commitment”: 7:00 p.m., Bloom Hill Student Center, 300 12th Street, Tuscaloosa. This documentary provides a personal behind-the-scenes look at the events surrounding the integration of the UA campus and Wallace’s stand in the schoolhouse door. Following the documentary Dr. Ida Wells-Barnett, of the Savannah State University, will respond to questions and recall her experiences as a member of SGA at that time. Sponsored by Bloom Hill Student Center. For more information: Lisa Bertolino, lbertil@bloomhill.org, 205-348-1923.

February 11

National African American Read-in: 5:00 p.m., Ferguson Center Student Union, Room 312. Sponsored to promote literary participation during the African American History Month. Participating will be direct reads from excerpts of works from African American female writers. Sponsored by the Women’s Resource Center. For more information: Eric Patterson, wrge@ua.edu, 205-348-5384.

February 12

Unchaining Alabama: 5:30 p.m., Williams America Collection, Gorgas Library. This exhibit focuses on the history of The University of Alabama, slave labor and life on campus. Researched and curated by Benjamin Felix, the exhibit opens February 6 and is open for the entire month. Co-sponsored by Benjamin Felix and the Summersell Center for the Study of the South. For more information: slv@ua.edu, 205-739-9273.

February 13

Unchaining American: 5:30 p.m., Gorgas Library, Room 205. This exhibit focuses on the history of African American History Month, the UA School of Social Work will host a special screening of two films, “Standing on My Sisters’ Shoulders” and “Fullness of Time: A Story for the Living South.” These films feature guest speakers Constance Slaughter-Harvey and Theresa Burroughs. Sponsored by the Office of the Dean of Social Work. For more information: Liz Dykes, edykes@sw.ua.edu, 205-348-5384.

February 14

Defining Myself for Myself: Perception of Black Femininities: 6:30 p.m., Gorgas Library, Room 205. An open discussion about the issues of typecasting black women in today’s society. Co-sponsored by the Women’s Resource Center and Department of Gender and Race Studies. For more information: Eric Patterson, wrge@ua.edu, 205-348-5040.

February 15

Stormy Weather: The Influence of Campus Climate on Building Inclusive Communities — 6:30 p.m., Lloyd Hall, Room 222. Campus-wide discussions on the importance of creating an environment that not only includes, welcomes and accepts people of different backgrounds and belief systems. For more information: Dr. Meredith Bagley, mbagley@ua.edu, 205-348-1926.

February 16

Every Woman’s Book Club: 12:00 noon, University Club. Every Woman’s Book Club meets once a month to discuss books authored by women. The book for February, in recognition of African American History Month, is We Need New Names by Noviolet Bulawayo. The book club is open to all faculty, staff and graduate students only. Cost is $12 and participants must RSVP to cmcaliff@ua.edu. Sponsored by the Women’s Resource Center.

March 1

A Radio Hero’s Perspective: 6:30 p.m., Reese Phifer Hall, Room 222. This program on Birmingham’s Black Radio History (1942-1963) spotlights the early life and times of WENN radio announcer Paul “Tall Paul” White. The program is presented by Bob Friedman, project director and founder of the Birmingham Black Radio Project. Co-sponsored by the School of Library and Information Studies and the Communication and Information Sciences Diversity Symposium. For more information: Dr. George Daniels, 205-348-8618.

March 5

Discerning Diverse Voices: Communication and Information Sciences Diversity Symposium: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Gorgas Library, Room 205. This, the fourth annual Diversity Symposium, features a daylong lineup of interdisciplinary panels, research and poster presentations. Registration is free. Lunch will be provided. To register, go to http://cis.ua.edu. Sponsored by the College of Communication and Information Sciences. For more information: Dr. George Daniels, 205-348-8618.