



Community Events: University of Mary Washington - See back for more:

- **Gospelfest** – Feb. 2 @ 3 p.m. – Dodd Auditorium, George Washington Hall
- **Colors of Africa** – Feb. 16 @ 6 p.m. – Chandler Ballroom, University Center
- **Step Show** – Feb. 23 @ 7 p.m. – Dodd Auditorium, George Washington Hall

Caroline County Public Schools

Celebrating Black History Month

February 2019



Bowling Green Elementary

- Sharing Black History facts during morning announcements
- Incorporating Black History activities in daily instruction
- Living History Wax Museum – February 21st 2-3pm.

Lewis and Clark Elementary

- Lessons and activities related to different famous Black Americans and scientist from past to present
- Game: Who is related to famous people and vocabulary

Madison Elementary

- Daily sharing of Black History Facts on morning announcements.
- Grade level activities integrated weekly.
- Feb. 27th – Black History Gallery – Showcase of work in hallways: Posters, poetry, new understanding of those who impacted our world.

Books for Black History Month

- The Jazzman – Karen Ehrhardt
- The Story of Ruby Bridges – George Ford and Robert Coles
- The Watson's go to Birmingham – 1963 – Christopher Paul Curtis
- I Have a Dream – Margaret Davidson
- Facing Frederick: The Life of Frederick Douglass, a Monumental American Man – Tonya Bolden

Caroline Middle School

- Door Decorating Contest
- Projects on the contributions of Black and African American throughout various fields.
- Coffee house/poetry slam highlighting contributions of African American and Black American artists and authors

Caroline High School

- Steaming Black History Month PowerPoints
- Black History Extravaganza Feb. 28th – includes History, songs, and poetry.
- Daily questions on announcements about Black History Month.
- Black History Month facts posted on the Website



Additional Community Events:

City of Richmond

- **Feb. 21**
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm, *Elegba Folklore Society's Cultural Center, 101 E Broad St*
What Is Africa To Me? Community Study Group, 7p Elegba Folklore Society's Cultural Center, 101 E Broad Street Free. Explore and discuss history, culture and contemporary affairs throughout the African Diaspora with former Virginia State University professor, Neil Holmes, political scientist and historian. [Find out more »](#)
- 6:30 p.m., *Chamber of Commerce event, 1500 E. Main St.*
Mayor Levar Stoney to attend Central Virginia African American Chamber of Commerce event with U.S. Rep. Donald McEachin in honor of Black History Month
- **Feb. 22**
4-7 p.m., *National African-American Read-In, 200 N. Boulevard*
Leaders from the community share African and African American literature related to works in the permanent collection. The VMFA Library will also be open on this night for extended hours with works from the archives. Mayor Levar Stoney will also be on hand. [Find out more »](#)
- **Feb. 24**
1 p.m., *Maggie L. Walker National Historic Site, 600 N 2nd Street*
“Matinees with Miss Maggie” film series: “4 Little Girls” (102 minutes)
- 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., *Literary Saturdays Presents Ronnie Nelson Sidney, II, LCSW, Black History Museum and Cultural Center of Virginia*
Author of “Nelson Beats the Odds”, “Tameka’s New Dress,” and “Rest in Peace Rashawn” Join us for an author discussion and book signing with Ronnie Nelson Sidney, II, LCSW. FREE EVENT but registration requested register [here](#).
- **Feb. 28**
6 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Black History Museum, 122 W Leigh St., “The Hail-Storm: John Dabney in Virginia”*
From slavery to freedom to fame to obscurity: the long-forgotten story of emancipation, family, and fine food, through the life an incomparable Richmond chef.
\$20; [click here](#) for advance purchase admission.

For more Information visit:

<https://www.12abouttown.com/black-history-month-events-central-va/>
or <https://students.umw.edu/multicultural/programs/black-history-month-celebration/> - All events at Mary Washington are open to the public

CHESTERFIELD

- **Feb. 19**
1-2 p.m., *Ettrick-Matoaca Library, 4501 River Road, South Chesterfield*
Frederick Douglass – Nathan M. Richardson reenacts Frederick Douglass’ life as a slave, his escape to freedom and rise as a great writer, orator and abolitionist.
- 6-7 p.m., *Bon Air Library, 9103 Rattlesnake Road, North Chesterfield*
The Life of Frederick Douglass – Nathan M. Richardson details the life of Frederick Douglass, from his time as a slave to his escape and his rise as a great writer, orator and abolitionist.
- **Feb. 20**
7-8 p.m., *North Courthouse Road Library, 325 Courthouse Road, Chesterfield*
Speaking of Jazz with Victor Haskins’ Skein – Hear how jazz music developed, and learn the basic concepts behind jazz through performances of music from different eras.
- **Feb. 23**
8- 10 a.m., *VSU’s Gateway Dining Event Center, 1 Hayden Drive, VSU*
- Black History Month Business Breakfast and Scholarship Recognition – Featuring Gen. Dennis L. Via, U.S. Army (Retired). Invitation only. For more information, email BHMBreakfast@chesterfield.gov.
- **Feb. 24**
1:30-2:15 p.m., *Enon Library, 1801 Enon Church Road, Chester*
African Folktales – Storyteller Charmaine Crowell-White tells traditional African and African American folktales.
- 10 a.m.-noon, *Meadowdale Library, 4301 Meadowdale Blvd., North Chesterfield*
Beyond Black History Month – Get a historical perspective on race in the U.S., and how it has impacted education and current events on local and national levels.

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- **Feb. 24**
7- 9 p.m., *Dabbs House Museum, 3812 Nine Mile Road*
Learn about the lives of both enslaved and free people that lived and worked at High Meadow/Dabbs. A police officer will share stories of the time Dabbs House served as a police station.
- **Feb. 27**
1- 3 p.m., *Dabbs House Museum, 3812 Nine Mile Road*
Discover the many roles African Americans played in the 150+ year history of Dabbs House. Learn the latest information discovered during four separate 15 minute presentations. Learn about the Dabbs’ family slaves, Perry Parks, the enslaved valet of General Lee, and the residents of the almshouse.