



L&C Announces Virtual Events For Black History Month

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GODFREY – Lewis and Clark Community College Student Activities is hosting and promoting a myriad of free virtual events for February's Black History Month, despite the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"If there's a positive to functioning during the pandemic, it's offering opportunities that I normally would not have been exposed to," said Student Activities Coordinator Jared Hennings. "There's a wide range of subject matter, both educational and entertaining, fusing speakers, music, theater and history."

One headliner of L&C's lineup of events is a virtual talk with St. Louis Cardinals KMOX Radio Broadcaster Mike Claiborne, scheduled for 10 a.m., Wednesday, Feb. 10.

Claiborne started at KMOX in 1981, co-hosting Sports Open Line, and is now in his eighth year as part of the Cardinals' broadcast team with Mike Shannon and John Rooney. His various duties in St. Louis have consisted of being a color analyst, providing play-by-play, a studio analyst and sideline reporter for Saint Louis University basketball, UMSL basketball, St. Louis Blues hockey, St. Louis Rams and Fox Sports Midwest.

Claiborne will speak via Zoom (Meeting ID: 917 4694 3596) to both L&C students and members of the public who wish to join on what it takes to be a successful broadcaster.

On Tuesday, Feb. 16, at 1:45 p.m., multi-experienced communicator, facilitator and emcee D.C. Cooper will present "Who Wants to be a Good Public Speaker?" (Meeting ID: 920 4351 1762). The program will provide tips on how to improve one's public speaking skills in front of one or 1,000 people.

Another highlight will feature 20-year St. Louis Police Officer Sean James, who will explore how policing has changed over time and what it takes to be an effective officer today. That Zoom event (Meeting ID: 922 7100 0628) is scheduled for 12:15 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 18.

On Friday, Feb. 26, Professor and Tour Guide Eric Robinson will share his documentary on the Underground Railroad in the Riverbend. Robinson provides visuals and commentary to not-so-well known Underground Railroad locations, including Alton and Brighton. The event will premiere on L&C's YouTube channel, www.youtube.com/lewisandclarkcc, at noon.

"I'm pleased that this year we're able to offer some of my traditional staples, such as collaborations with faculty, criminal justice, radio broadcasting and communications,"

Hennings said. “Having Eric Robinson’s documentary on the local Underground Railroad is a great addition for our students and community.”

To participate in a Zoom event, download the free meeting client at <https://zoom.us/>, and log in or create a new account. Just before the event begins, open Zoom, find the “Home” tab, click “Join” and enter the appropriate meeting ID to enter.

See the events calendar at www.lc.edu/events for more information on these activities and more, or follow Lewis and Clark Community College ([@lewisandclarkcc](https://www.facebook.com/lewisandclarkcc)) and Student Activities at L&C ([@LewisandClarkStudentActivities](https://www.facebook.com/LewisandClarkStudentActivities)) on Facebook.

New this year, Hennings is also encouraging the campus and greater community to check out Black History Month events being offered virtually through St. Louis County Library. A complete list of their programming can be found at www.slcl.org/black-history-celebration.

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