



BLACK FACULTY TASK FORCE



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Sankofa Series

Sankofa Series 2023: "The Kuumba (Creativity) Collection," presented by The Black Faculty Task Force and Ethnic Studies Department offers engaging videos to enrich your Black History Month knowledge and experience. This year, we explore the intriguing history of Black/African American contribution to theater, literature, art, and more.

A special thank you to Dr. Lisa William and Dr. Malika Hollinside for their efforts!

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Black History Month Film / Video List

Curated here are films and videos to enhance classroom learning opportunities and dialogue related to Black/African American History. Content spans varied topics ranging from history, culture, identity, language, activism, and Black liberation.

Please peruse and explore the film recommendations by downloading the attached flyer. You can access the films by clicking on the picture image which contains embedded links. We also encourage you to share these videos with students as a basis for assignments and classroom activities.

A [film study worksheet](#) is also provided as a tool for learning as you view these documentaries. A special thank you to Dr. Lisa William, Dr. Malika Hollinside, and Professor Jessica Morrow for their efforts!

[Link to Flyer](#)



Black History LibGuide

This guide has information on this month's Black History events as well as information and materials related to studies in the field.

Some materials are available through the Delta College Library and can be found in our physical collection; others are online and require that you sign in with your Okta credentials; and others are open access. Please see the notes in the descriptions for how you can access the materials.

A special thank you to Professor Valerie Gnassounou and Librarian Lena Zaghmouri for their efforts!

[Visit the Site](#)



Lecture Series: Pre-colonial / Colonial Politics and Revolution in Africa Lecture

Conducted by Prof. Chigozie Enwere PhD, the central objective of this lecture is to situate the historical and political conditions underlying the course of political revolution of colonial African States. Decolonisation, Pan Africanism, revolutionary movements and struggle for the control of Africa by Africans will be investigated. A central concern of the course will be to examine the premises of divergence between the philosophy of African revolution and the contending theoretical perspectives of Anglo-American revolution. Trends and patterns of colonial African revolutions in North Africa will be clearly highlighted as well as political and economic linkages in colonial Africa.

A special thank you to Professor Valerie Gnassounou and visiting Professor Chigozie Enwere PhD for their efforts!

[Link to Recording](#)



Black History Month Talent Show

This year's talent show created and organized by Valerie Gnassounou had the theme "Black History Month-Resistance and resilience through the arts."

In our spoken words, dancing, and singing performances, we celebrated the arts as an impactful tool for raising consciousness. We had a great time! We thank everyone that joined us virtually or in-person, and we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

A big thank you to all the performers which included staff, faculty, students, alumni and Black Faculty Task Force members who volunteered and shared their great gifts with us:

- Nicole Manker - Dance Part-time Faculty
- James Forte - Resource Specialist (singing)
- Alex Bynoe - Student (piano)
- Noelle Miller - Spoken words - Prospective Student
- Shawnteona Lewis - Student Flag Dance
- Juanaki Battle - Alumni - (speech/debate) -(Thank you-Jeff Toney)
- Lauryn Seales - Professor / Track and Cross-Country Coach
- Philip Agyapong - Dance Part-time Faculty
- Yvette Couvson - Alumni Singer

- Dr. Malika Hollinside - MC

A special thank you to Professor Valerie Gnassounou and Dr. Malika Hollinside for their efforts!



Black Businesses Unite

Black Businesses Unite was planned by our Black Student Union and took place on Saturday, February 25th from noon to 2 pm in the Marcopoulos gym.

At the event, businesses and the SJ Delta community had the opportunity to discover, meet, and network with Black businesses from our community. Guests' speakers included Councilwoman Kimberly Warmsley and Tashante Mc Coy.

Professor Seales and Professor Gnassounou supported and worked on this initiative, both as advisors. Black Student Union President Quichon Jones demonstrated strong leadership skills in planning and day-of coordination of the event. BSU received its first "recognition of service" award from the city of Stockton for this event thanks to city council woman Kimberly Warmsley.

A special thank you to Professor Lauryn Seales, Professor Valerie Gnassounou, and Delta College's BSU for their efforts!



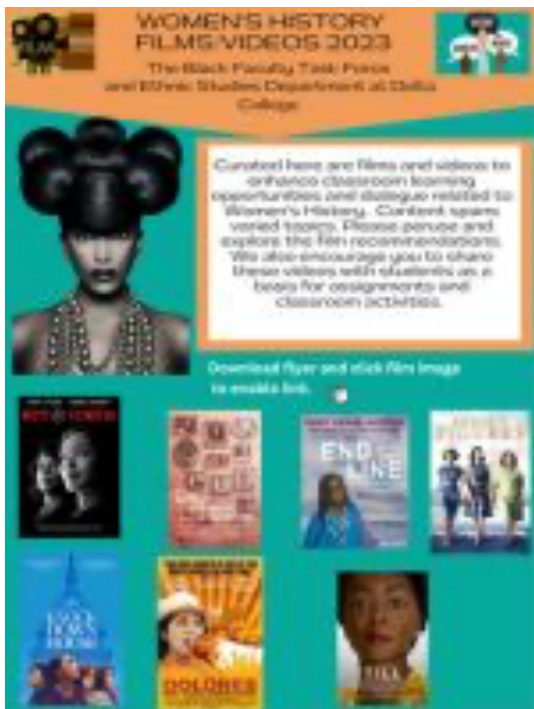
Delta Black (Throwback) History 2023 Slide Show!

Our final Sankofa Series video highlights none other than Delta's own Black faculty, counselors, specialists, and staff in their "throwback" pics! Shout outs to the participants who opened up their family albums to share pictures; thank you so much!

Guess whose baby/childhood pics are displayed in this short, entertaining photo album presentation. See if you can guess correctly!

A special thank you to Dr. Malika Hollinside for her efforts!

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Women's History Month Film Video Recommendations

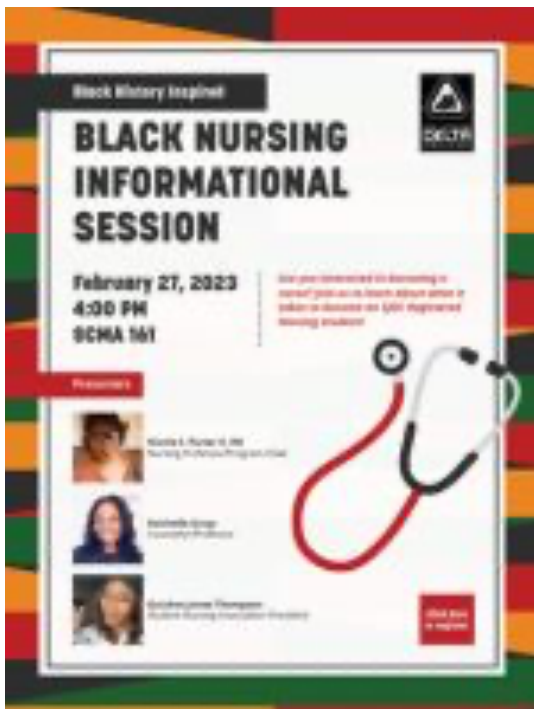
Curated here are films and videos to enhance classroom learning opportunities and dialogue related to Women's History. Content spans varied topics. Please peruse and explore the film recommendations.

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Black Nursing Information Session

On February 27th, The nursing department led a recruitment session focused on recruiting Black and minority students. The department discussed the pre-requisite requirements to become an SJDC Registered Nursing student including discussions on steps potential students could follow if their high school GPA is not optimal. This covered options as a high school student through dual enrollment. Furthermore, we defined TEAS testing and how students could be successful. During the discussion, we covered program requirements and realistic costs.

This informational session was designed as a safe space for African American Students, and we talked through the stop gaps African American students face as prospective nursing students. Students heard first hand experiences from a current African American Nursing Student. The session was open to parents and familial support.

Thank you to Professor Nicole Porter, Professor Raichelle Grays, and the Student Nursing Association President Quichon Jones-Thompson for your efforts.



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