



Emory historian Deborah Lipstadt confirmed as U.S. special envoy to monitor and combat antisemitism

Emory historian [Deborah F. Lipstadt](#) has been confirmed by the U.S. Senate as Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Antisemitism, a position in the Department of State with the rank of ambassador.

Described by the [White House](#) as "a renowned scholar of the Holocaust and modern antisemitism," Lipstadt is Dorot Professor of Modern Jewish History and Holocaust Studies in Emory's Tam Institute for Jewish Studies and the Department of Religion.

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Emory experts confirmed by U.S. Senate for Civil Rights Cold Case Records Review Board

On Feb. 17, Emory University professor Henry "Hank" Klibanoff and Gabrielle Dudley, instruction archivist in Emory's Stuart A. Rose Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library, were [confirmed](#) by the United States Senate to serve on the Civil Rights Cold Case Records Review Board.

Dudley and Klibanoff were [nominated](#) by President Joseph R. Biden in June 2021. They testified before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee regarding their nominations in January. As members of the review board, they will examine government records of unpunished, racially motivated murders of Black Americans from 1940 to 1980.

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Women's History Month keynote Haben Girma is on a mission to dismantle ableism

On March 17, Emory's Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) and the Center for Women hosted the annual Women's History Month keynote. This year's speaker was Haben Girma, a disability rights advocate and the first Deafblind woman to graduate from Harvard Law School.

In 2013, Girma was recognized by President Barack Obama as a White House Champion of Change. Emory's DEI virtual book club is reading her autobiography, "[Haben: The Deafblind Woman Who Conquered Harvard Law](#)," with a [discussion](#) slated for April 29 at noon.

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Emory's inaugural John Lewis Chair, Darren Hutchinson, addresses 'anti-antiracism'

"Martin Luther King Jr. was a critical race theorist before the term existed," [Darren Hutchinson](#) posited in his Feb. 22 lecture titled "Anti-Antiracism: Fighting Backlash, Building Justice." Hutchinson, a professor of law and the inaugural John Lewis Chair for Civil Rights and Social Justice at Emory University School of Law, delivered a lecture where he discussed landmark civil rights cases, the importance of intersectionality and King's role in advancing human rights.

The lecture was initially scheduled to be a part of Emory's King Week celebration but was postponed due to COVID-19. The evening began with a welcome by Emory Law Dean Mary Anne Bobinski and remarks by Emory University President Gregory L. Fenves and Provost Ravi V. Bellamkonda.

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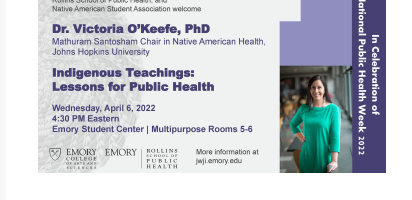
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Ramadan 2022 - Emory Iftar Prayers and Dinners

The Muslim month of Ramadan will span April 2-May 1, 2022. During this time, Emory's Muslim community will be observing with daily fasting from dawn through the sunlight hours and nightly iftar communal prayers and dinner. On Atlanta campus, weeknight prayer and dinner will occur at Cannon Chapel with gathering at about 7:45 p.m., followed by prayer and dinner. Saturday and Sunday prayers and dinner will occur at the Emory Student Center.

Weeknight iftars are hosted by OSRL, MSA, GMSC, Emory Muslim Alumni, ODEI, and several Emory Schools, divisions, and units. The Muslim community does not need to register, but guests should register by emailing religioulife@emory.edu.



Indigenous Teachings: Lessons for Public Health
Native American and Indigenous Studies Initiative, Rollins School of Public Health and Native American Student Association

April 6, 2022
4:30 pm
In Person Event | Emory Student Center | Multipurpose Rooms 5-6

In Celebration of National Public Health Week 2022, the Native American and Indigenous Studies Initiative, Rollins School of Public Health and Native American Student Association welcome Dr. Victoria O'Keefe, Mathuram Sanrosham Chair in Native American Health, Johns Hopkins University.

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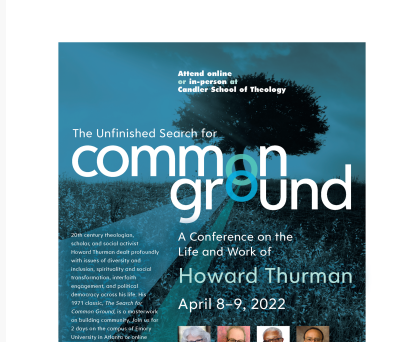
INDIGENOUS LANGUAGE PATH ENGAGEMENT
Office of Spiritual and Religious Life

April 7, 2022
OXFORD CAMPUS
Dean's Dining Room
10:00-11:30 am | Faculty and Staff Open Session
Noon-1:30 pm | Student Open Lunch Session

ATLANTA CAMPUS
Convocation Hall 210
5:30-7:00 pm | Faculty, Staff, and Student Dinner Session

The Emory community is invited to learn about and provide input into a university-wide project to develop physical reminders and rituals on Emory's Oxford and Atlanta campuses to honor Muscogee language and knowledge as the indigenous language and knowledge of this land.

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The Unfinished Search for Common Ground: Howard Thurman Conference
Candler School of Theology

April 8-9, 2022
Hybrid Event | Candler School of Theology

Candler School of Theology at Emory University will host a two-day conference on the life and work of 20th century theologian and civil rights leader Howard Thurman, designed to introduce attendees to Thurman's work and provide an opportunity for scholars, social activists, and religious leaders to consider ways in which Thurman's understanding of community can address diversity and inclusion.

"The Unfinished Search for Common Ground" will take place April 8-9 and will be available to attend both online and in person at Candler. Learn more and register: www.candlerthurmanconference.com

Organized by Dean's Professor of Spirituality, Ethics and Leadership Walter Earl Fluker, the event will feature keynotes by noted scholars and practitioners, including Fluker; bestselling author, preacher, and Episcopal priest Barbara Brown Taylor; author and Thurman scholar Peter Eisenstadt; and Professor Emeritus of Church and Community Luther E. Smith, Jr.

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Principled Leadership in Perilous Times
Goizueta's Business & Society Institute and the Leadership Now Project

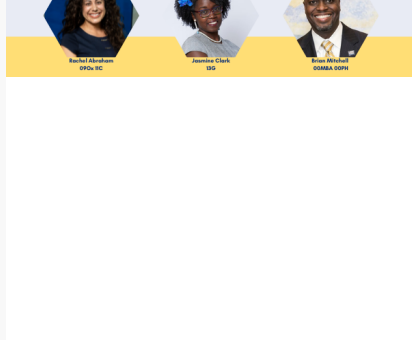
April 11, 2022
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
In Person Event | Goizueta Business School Room 130

Join [Goizueta's Business & Society Institute](#) and the [Leadership Now Project](#) for a discussion on the role of principled business leadership in protecting democracy and advancing justice at home and abroad on April 11 from 5-7 PM at the Goizueta Business School.

We are looking forward to an engaging in person discussion featuring the following panelists and speakers Joel Alvarado of Partnership for Southern Equity, Amy Phuong of the Atlanta Hawks, Shyam Reddy of BlueLinx Corporation, Bentina Terry of Georgia Power, Tene Traylor (Moderator) of Keneda Fund and Business & Society Institute, Professor Wes Longhofer of the Business & Society Institute, and Craig Robinson of Industrious and Leadership Now Project.

Event is FREE and open to all in the Emory, Leadership Now, and broader Atlanta community.

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Emory Explores: The Voice of Women
Advancement and Alumni Engagement

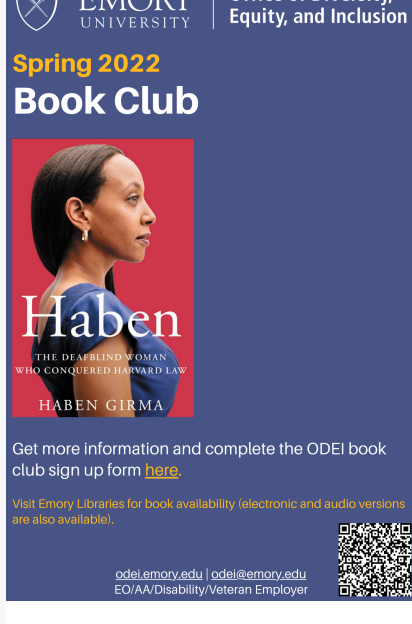
April 14, 2022
6:00 - 7:30 pm

We live in a world where it can feel like we are in constant competition to be heard. How can we amplify the voices around us that need to be given the chance to be heard? In this case, how can we amplify voices of women around us as a way to level the playing field?

Join the Emory Alumni Association on Thursday, April 14 at 6 p.m. ET for a powerful fireside chat with Jasmine Clark 13G and Brian Mitchell 00MBA 00PH moderated by Rachel Abraham 09Ox 11C on their approaches to strengthening the voices of women no matter what role, rank, or identity you hold in the workplace and beyond. We will hear personal experiences around lifting the voice of women in addition to ways we can show up as advocates. This is an incredible conversation you will not want to miss! Following our fireside chat we will create a space for attendees to break out into smaller groups and dive in a bit deeper to discuss what each of us can do moving forward out in the world and be the change agents we want to see more of!

Everyone across the gender identity spectrum and beyond are invited and welcomed, including allies, advocates, and friends!

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Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Book Club Discussion

April 29, 2022
12:00 pm

The Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is reading Haben The Deafblind Woman Who Conquered Harvard Law.

Join us as we discuss Haben Girma's memoir and how we address accessibility at Emory.

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Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Executive Leadership Council Spotlight

The purpose of the Executive Leadership Council is to provide support and guidance toward achieving strategic goals for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. As a guiding principle, we want diversity and inclusion to achieve its goals of promoting diversity and institutionalizing equity and inclusion as core values by reviewing progress of initiatives through curricular audits.



Goizueta Business School Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

At Goizueta, diversity is a commitment to nurture and challenge the unique perspectives that will shape the future of business. It's a commitment to innovate in traditional fields and embrace emerging insights. It is the foundation of our intentions and actions. It is one of the core values by which we lead.

[2020-2021 End of Year Report](#)
[Common Reads Program](#)
[John R. Lewis Case Competition](#)
[Peachtree Minority Venture Fund](#)

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The Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion celebrates the rich tapestry of human experiences at Emory University. This month, April 2022, we recognize Autism Awareness Month and National Arab-American Heritage Month. In collaboration with campus partners, we have curated resources that highlight, educate, and encourage a sense of community.

Authentically Autistic: Agenda

Kick It Off Event
April 8, 2022
12:00 - 2:00 pm
Come to the Quad at EmoryUniversity (by the Library) to witness a showcase of autistic talent. Learn the numerous ways autism can color someone's life!
[Click here for more info!](#)

Research Symposium
April 13, 2022
6:00 - 7:30 pm
Come and join us on zoom (link below) to listen to a series of research presentations. This event will focus on autistic researchers from Emory, and researchers who highlight the autistic experience. [Click here to join the zoom.](#)
[Click here for more info!](#)

Autistic Student Panel
April 18, 2022
5:00 - 6:30 pm
Last year we had an amazing turnout for our student panel. [Click on this link to join our zoom](#) and hear the poignant stories of autistic students. Listen to them as they share the ways in which they were supported or understood, and learn from their advice about times when they felt more support could have been provided. To learn more about the participants and information about this event, [click here!](#)

Keynote: Laura Nadine Dooley
April 20, 2022
5:00 pm
Join us in our final celebration of World Autism Month during our closing Keynote. Laura NadineDooley, a world-class violinist will speak about her experience with autism. [Click here to join our zoom!](#)
[Click here to learn more](#) about her presentation and background.

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Emory University Office of Diversity Equity and Inclusion
Emory University Department of Accessibility Services
Emory Autism Center
Emory University School of Medicine Office for Diversity Equity and Inclusion
Emory Autism Awareness Student Organization

We hope you will join us to celebrate Autism, learn about the wonderful partners all throughout the University, and connect to new colleagues and communities that are positively impacting our neurodiverse campus!

Please feel free to contact mattsegall@emory.edu with any questions.



During the month of April, the Arab America Foundation formally recognizes the achievements of Arab Americans through the celebration of National Arab American Heritage Month (NAAAHM). Across the country, cultural institutions, school districts, municipalities, state legislatures, public servants, and non-profit organizations issue proclamations and engage in special events that celebrate our community's rich heritage and numerous contributions to society.

Arab America and the Arab America Foundation launched the National Arab American Heritage Month initiative in 2017, with just a handful of states recognizing the initiative. Each year, our grass-roots network of over 250 Arab American volunteers in 26 states gathers hundreds of proclamations from their states, counties, municipalities, and local school districts.

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[External Resources](#)
[Arab American Heritage Month 2022 - History Channel](#)
[Arab American Institute](#)
[Arab American Institute Museum](#)
[Celebrate Arab American Heritage Month - PBS](#)
[Must-Read Fiction by Arab and Arab American Authors](#)

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Emory Libraries' DEI committee publishes chapter in DEI excellence book

Members of the Emory Libraries' DEI committee wrote a chapter for "Implementing Excellence in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: A Handbook for Academic Libraries," which was published this month.

The chapter, titled "The Making of Emory Libraries' Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee: A Case Study," was written by current and past members of the professional development subcommittee.

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