

**Tentative Program**  
**Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration 2010**  
**Utah Valley University**  
(refer to [www.uvu.edu/hass/mlk](http://www.uvu.edu/hass/mlk) often for updates)  
**January 14-15, 2010**

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**10:00 am Ragan Theater**

KEYNOTE: Linda Brown of *Brown v. Board of Education* (1954)

\* In partnership with Turning Points in History Lecture Series. Will be followed up in February by Professor Robert Pratt (Georgia) who is an expert on the Brown rulings.

**11:30am-1:00 pm LI Lakeview Room**

RECEPTION AND LUNCHEON for Linda Brown

**January 14 1:00-5:00 pm and Friday, January 15 9:00am-5:00 pm**

**Centre Stage and SC rooms**

**(see final program available December, 2009):**

CHARLES HOLT, performer and motivational speaker, presenting master classes to students in theater, music, and entrepreneurship (see <http://www.charlesholtproductions.com/> )

PANELS/PAPERS by faculty and students:

- Book discussion *The Audacity of Hope* by Barack Obama
- Student chapter of the NAACP
- Brown and Prop 8
- Brown II,
- "empathy"
- issue of contingency or "turning point" in US history
- Anniversaries:
  - 55th of Emmett Till, Rosa Parks, Brown II
  - 50th of Greensboro, SNCC
  - 45th of Malcolm X, Watts, Voting Rights Act
- Karen Mizell: De-Bug, California organization
- Kay Smith: racism and other repercussions in Utah public schools after Obama election
- Rick Griffin: Brown II, ADA issues
- Bek Abdrisaev (Kyrgyz ambassador to the U.S.) and international panel on civil and human rights (with Elena Bonner, widow of Andrei Sakharov)
- Screenings and panel discussions of [at least] two documentaries:

- "The Wisdom of Our Years" (a film about elderly black Utahns who have seen progress, or lack thereof, in civil rights issues here, by Rev. France Davis and Dr. Ron Coleman)
- "Nobody Knows" (about blacks in the LDS church, by Margaret Young and Darius Gray).
- Documentaries presented by UVU Multi-Cultural Center

DISPLAYS (besides arts):

- UVU library display: retrospective of MLK **Commemoration** 1997-present (Vegor et al.)
- Quotes of prominent Utahns on civil rights

**6:30-10:00 pm Thursday January 14, 2010 LI 120 and second floor**

ARTS RECEPTION, including performances and bestowal of awards. Contact Angie Banchemo-Kelleher at [AngieB@uvu.edu](mailto:AngieB@uvu.edu) and see "Call for Proposals."

**7:00 pm Friday January 15, 2010 Centre Stage**

PERFORMANCE by Charles Holt

**Monday January 18, 2010**

"Day of Service" in partnership with BYU. See <http://www.mlkday.gov/?gclid=CLOc7NHj9pwCFR5HagodHgcrbQ>

and

<http://www.byub.org/byuweekly/Player.aspx?seg=13>