Programs and Events
September-December 2019
Sept. 11 • 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Hispanic Heritage Month Kickoff
Open to UNCW students, faculty and staff
Kickoff event to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month through music, dances and various activities.
UNCW Amphitheater

Sept. 12 • 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Black H(a)eir Exposition
Open to the public
What if black hair was truly a crown? The Upperman African American Cultural Center will host a solo student show on black hair. Donny Durham’s “Black H(a)eir Exposition” is provocative, interesting, confrontational and deeply moving. The exhibit fits into the center’s year on fashion, aesthetics and cultural production.
Upperman African American Cultural Center

Sept. 13 • Noon - 3 p.m.
Textured
Open to the public
Whether you’re dark or fair, make sure you are at the Upperman African American Cultural Center for this Black Friday, cause we’re talking ‘bout your beautiful hair! Enjoy a day inspired by the beautiful textures we walk around with and learn how to create beard oils, your own hair care products and everything in between.
Upperman African American Cultural Center

Sept. 14 • 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Summer Fest ’19
For UNCW students, faculty and staff
Festival celebrating Latin, Caribbean and Jamaican culture.
Battleship North Carolina

Sept. 14 • 9 a.m. - Noon
MI CASA and Juntos Day of Service
Open to MI CASA mentees and mentors and Juntos students
“Wings Up for Wilmington” community service day commemorating the one-year anniversary of Hurricane Florence.
Cape Fear River Watch
Organized by the UNCW Center for Faculty Leadership

Sept. 17 • Noon - 2 p.m.
When To Know a Class Isn’t Good For You
Open to Excellence Project mentors and mentees
College is a time of exploration, and sometimes that means making a few mistakes. Get equipped with the tools to recognize when you might be in the wrong class, have the wrong schedule or even the wrong major.
Upperman African American Cultural Center

Sept. 17 • 6:30 - 10 p.m.
Spanish Film Fest
Open to the public
Screening of 7 Weeks
Lumina Theater

Sept. 21 • 7 - 11 p.m.
Hispanic Heritage Month Fiesta
Open to the public
A day of music dancing and fun featuring Orquesta K-Che, an 11-piece Latin band.
Warwick Center

Sept. 21 • 10 p.m. - Midnight
Social Night with Alumni Relations
Open to UNCW Latinx alumni over 21 years of age
Social night for UNCW Latinx alumni
Pour Taproom

Sept. 24 • 7 p.m.
Tarana Burke Leadership Lecture
Open to the public
The simple yet courageous #meToo campaign has emerged as a rallying cry for people everywhere who have survived sexual assault and sexual harassment – and Tarana Burke’s powerful, poignant story as creator of what is now an international movement that supports survivors will move, uplift and inspire you. The lecture is free, but tickets are required. Tickets will be available in Sharky’s Box Office and Game Room.
Burney Center

Sept. 24 • 6:30 - 10 p.m.
Spanish Film Fest
Open to the public
Screening of Birds of Passage
Lumina Theater
Sept. 28 • 9 a.m. - Noon
MI CASA Career and College Exploration
Open to MI CASA mentees and mentors
MI CASA high school mentees will be guided through exploring careers and colleges that interest them.
*Education Building, Room 232*

Sept. 28 • 1 - 3 p.m.
Los Seahawks vs. Northeastern
Open to the public
Support the UNCW men’s soccer team as they go against Northeastern during Hispanic Heritage Month. Visit the tables of Centro Hispano’s organizations and pick up a “Los Seahawks” T-shirt.
*UNCW Soccer Field*

Oct. 1 • 6:30 - 10 p.m.
Spanish Film Fest
Open to the public
Screening of Camila’s Awakening
*Lumina Theater*

Oct. 2 • Noon - 2 p.m.
Building a Wardrobe on a Budget
Open to UNCW students
Present the best version of you for every professional setting by learning how to dress for interviews and professional events. Looking the part is one of the first steps to land that new job or to make valuable networking contacts. Make sure you come out to UPPgrade your wardrobe! Visit uncw.edu/upperman for more details and to register.
*Upperman African American Cultural Center*

Oct. 2 – 4 • Various times and locations
Open to the public
Cape Fear Region Minority Enterprise Development Week recognizes the impact of minority- and women-owned businesses and provides opportunities for networking and business development workshops.

Oct. 2 • 7:30 - 10 a.m.
Cape Fear MED Week Small Business Coalition Roundtable Breakfast
*Cape Fear Community College Union Station, 411 N. Front St.*
Hosted by The Coalition and the Greater Wilmington Business Journal, the roundtable breakfast provides attendees an opportunity to meet with local resources and business leaders to help grow their business.

Oct. 3 • 5:30 - 8 p.m.
Cape Fear Networking Reception
tekMountain, 1844 Sir Tyler Drive
Minority and women entrepreneurs will have further opportunity to network with other small business owners and Cape Fear Region MED Week sponsors at a reception hosted by tekMountain.

Oct. 4 • 7:30 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.
Cape Fear Region MED Week Conference and Luncheon
*UNC Wilmington Burney Center, 4941 Riegel Road*
The fifth annual Cape Fear Region MED Week Conference features a networking breakfast hosted by UNCW Center Innovation and Entrepreneurship and a “fireside chat” about capital acquisition with a group of experienced panelists. Other events include breakout educational sessions on “How to Do Business with Local, State and Federal Contractors,” “Avoiding Human Resources Nightmares” and “Social Media Marketing – Build Your Brand,” as well as special recognition of three minority entrepreneurs.

Keynote speaker J. R. Gorham, the first African American brigadier general in the North Carolina National Guard, will give insights on “Getting Unstuck, Reaching the Next Level.” Gorham is the author of the book Sharecropper’s Wisdom: Growing Today’s Leaders the Old Fashioned Way.

*All events are free, but registration is required. Visit www.uncw.edu/medweek to register and for more details.*

Oct. 8 • 6:30 - 10 p.m.
Spanish Film Fest
Open to the public
Screening of Everybody Knows
*Lumina Theater*

Oct. 9 • 5 - 6 p.m.
Queer Culture Series
Open to UNCW students, faculty and staff
*LGBTQIA Office*

Oct. 10 • 5 - 8 p.m.
Safe Zone Training
Open to UNCW students
Learn how to be an ally to LGBTQIA students, faculty and staff.
*McNeill Hall, Room 1051A*
Oct. 11 • 6 - 8 p.m.
National Coming Out Day- Kiki
Open to the public
Celebrate National Coming Out Day by attending the LGBTQIA Resource Office’s “Coming Out Kiki.” Listen, offer support and share stories and experiences about being a part of the queer community.
Clock Tower

Oct. 14 • 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Movie Monday with Centro.
Featuring: *Frida*
Open to the public
Join Centro Hispano and the LGBTQIA Resource Office in celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month and LGBT History Month by attending the screening of *Frida.*
LA SALA

Oct. 15 • 5 - 7 p.m.
Gayme Night
Open to UNCW students, faculty and staff
Join the LGBTQIA staff and various campus organizations for game night. Games will be provided, but you’re welcome to bring your own.
LGBTQIA Office

Oct. 15 • 6 p.m.
Deeper DIVE into Your True Colors
Open to Excellence Project mentors and mentees
True Colors is a fun and insightful personality-identification system designed to uncover key social information about yourself and others while fostering an environment of understanding and collaboration. We’re diving into our colors as we explore how we interact and interact with the world.
Upperman African American Cultural Center

Oct. 15 • 6:30 - 10 p.m.
Spanish Film Fest
Open to the public
Screening of *Un Traductor*
Lumina Theater

Oct. 17 • 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
NOIRE: A Black Poetry Day Salon
RSVP required. Maximum 66 people.
Join Upperman in celebration of Black Poetry Day for “Noire: A Black Poetry Day Salon.” Get ready for an evening of upscale poetry from students and professional poets, including NC own’s Bull City Slam!
Upperman African American Cultural Center

Oct. 19 • 9 a.m. - Noon
MI CASA Identity Exploration
Open to MI CASA mentees and mentors
MI CASA event in which high school mentees will be guided through various activities to explore their identities.
Education Building 162

Oct. 23 • 7 p.m.
Crispín, El Quijote
Open to the public
Theatrical performance
Lumina Theater

Oct. 23 - 25 • Time TBD
The SymPOSEium
Open to the public
Upperman African American Cultural Center, Centro Hispano and the LGBTQIA Resource Office are collaborating for a legendary celebration and exploration of Black and Brown Queer Culture in our three-day program entitled ‘The SymPOSEium.’ From the history and social context of ball culture, to voguing workshops and performances, QPOC student, staff and faculty mixers, the SymPOSEium seeks to highlight and uplift the intersections in all our communities! Follow Upperman, Centro Hispano and LGBTQIA Resource Office on social media for more information.
Location TBD

Oct. 25 • Noon - 3 p.m.
Life’s A Ball
Open to the public
You’ve been invited to the ball! Inspired by the hit FX show “POSE,” get ready to learn about the complex and joyous history of ball culture and come prepared to strut your stuff as you learn voguing, runway walking and more! A part of the OIDI's SymPOSEium.
Upperman African American Cultural Center
Oct. 29 • 6:30 - 10 p.m.
Forbidden: Undocumented and Queer in Rural America
Open to the public
Screening of the documentary Undocumented and Queer in Rural America
Lumina Theater
Co-sponsored by the Department of World Languages and Culture

Oct. 29 • 2-3 p.m.
Teal Tuesday with CARE
Open to all UNCW students
UNCW CARE Office staff will share information about resources available to students.
LA SALA, Fisher University Union 2019

Nov. 6 • 6:30 p.m.
Etiquette Dinner
Open to students, RSVP required
Knowing basic dining etiquette can assist you in an interview or business meeting conducted over a meal. Join the Upperman African American Cultural Center for an interactive workshop and dinner. Students will learn the tools necessary for proper dining etiquette and give insights and practical tips about what networking is and how to tap into the power of networking. Register at uncw.edu/upperman.
Circa 1922, 8 N. Front St.

Nov. 8 • Time TBD
Day trip to NC Museum of Art
Open to UNCW students
Exhibits: Frida Kahlo, Diego Rivera, and Mexican Modernism from the Jacques and Natasha Gelman Collection.
NC Museum of Art

Nov. 11 • 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Seahawk for a Day
Open to MI CASA mentees and mentors
MI CASA mentees become Seahawks for a day. Mentees will attend various classes on UNCW’s campus and interact with students and professors.
Sharky’s Game Room and Various Classrooms

Nov. 12 • 6 p.m.
Unmasking What Lies Beneath: A Deep Dive into Anxiety
Open Excellence Project mentors and mentees
Anxiety can affect all of us in different ways, and for many, the new and unexpected experiences of college can reveal or exacerbate these triggers. Join Upperman African American Cultural Center and the Counseling Center as we seek to understand the roots of anxiety and how to manage specific types. Visit uncw.edu/upperman to register.
Upperman African American Cultural Center

Nov. TBD • Time TBD
American Indian Meet & Greet
Open to the public
UNCW Office of Institutional Diversity and Inclusion Office

Nov. 2 • 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Day of the Dead Celebration
Open to the public
Join us for a celebration of Latin tradition. This family-friendly event includes face painting and more.
Cameron Art Museum

Nov. 3 • 3 p.m.
Jazzmeia Horn Performance
Open to the public
Jazz vocalist extraordinaire Jazzmeia Horn has a name that speaks for itself, capturing the very essence of her art. On her Grammy-nominated 2017 debut, “A Social Call,” Horn recalls the likes of Nina Simone and Betty Carter as she serenades and scats through an unapologetically urgent, political take on jazz. A student of past masters, Horn is a brave new voice for jazz’s vocal resurgence and a mighty clarion for its future. Tickets can be purchased at uncw.edu/arts/presents
Kenan Auditorium
Co-sponsored by the Office of the Arts
Nov. 13 • 6 - 8 p.m.
Get Lit: Quicksand
Open to the public
Get Lit is back! Join the Upperman African American Cultural Center and the Department of English’s collaborative initiative to bring back literature to the masses with a conversation around Nella Larsen’s seminal work Quicksand; an exploration of cross-cultural and interracial themes such as class, race, gender and passing.
Randall Library Auditorium
Co-sponsored by the UNCW English Department.

Nov. 14 • 5 - 6 p.m.
Queer Culture Series
Open to the public
LGBTQIA Office

Nov. 18 • 1 - 4 p.m.
Safe Zone Training
Open to UNCW faculty and staff
Learn how to be an ally to LGBTQIA students, faculty and staff.
McNeill Hall, Room 1051A

Nov. 20 • 5 - 7 p.m.
Gayme Night
Open to the public
Join the LGBTQIA staff and various campus organizations for game night. Games will be provided, but you’re welcome to bring your own.
LGBTQIA Office

Nov. 21 • 6 - 8 p.m.
Thanksgiving Social
Open to students
Students are invited to Centro Hispano’s Thanksgiving social. Participants will share a meal and the tradition of gratitude.
Catholic Campus Ministries

Dec. 4 • 7 p.m.
13th Annual Pre-Kwanzaa Celebration/Fall Sankofa
Open to the public
Join the Upperman African American Cultural Center for its 13th Annual Pre-Kwanzaa Celebration and Fall Senior Sankofa ceremony. Come learn about the Ngozi Saba (7 Principles of Kwanzaa) support local student artists, paint your own adinkra symbol and celebrate our graduating African American students. Renowned artist and two-time Emmy Award winner Willa Brigham is the keynote speaker. Space is limited. RSVP by Nov. 9 at uncw.edu/upperman.
UNCW Burney Center

Dec. 7 • 1 - 3 p.m.
MI CASA Familia Day
Open to MI CASA mentees and their families, MI CASA mentors
Catholic Campus Ministries

Dec. 11 • 10 a.m. - Noon
Understanding Gender
Open to all who have attended a recent Safe Zone training
A follow-up to the Safe Zone training, “Understanding Gender” will dive deeper into the gender spectrum and how to be allies to folks of all genders. Individuals attending this workshop should have already completed a Safe Zone training.
McNeill Hall, Room 1051A

www.uncw.edu/diversity
July and August programming included numerous events welcoming students to UNCW and the Office of Institutional Diversity and Inclusion.

A few highlights:

Centro Hispano hosted MI CASA ACT Math and Reading Prep classes over three days to help high school mentees prepare for exams and learn test-taking strategies.

Office of Institutional Diversity and Inclusion, the Upperman African American Cultural Center, the LGBTQIA Resource Office and Centro Hispano shared information about resources to Reaching and Inspiring Student Excellence (RISE) students to help them be successful at UNCW. The RISE program is designed for first-year freshman students from rural counties in NC.

The Upperman African American Cultural Center hosted “Icons Living: The Road to Sankofa,” a program that introduces students to the center and the legacy of the African American presence at UNCW.

Events are subject to change. Visit uncw.edu/diversity for updates.
OIDI provides diversity and inclusion initiatives, programs and strategies that contribute to UNCW’s mission and vision, facilitate a powerful learning experience, and foster a more inclusive and equitable campus.

Learn more about OIDI at www.uncw.edu/diversity.