Discover Durham’s Black History This Month

Far from iron encased behind glass facades, black history lives and breathes within Durham streets traversed for generations. Markers, murals, homes, and heritage coalesce to honor the stories of our African American community, and this month, we celebrate what locals already know to be true: the foundation of Durham as a diverse and inclusive destination was laid by the perseverance of the African American community. Every February, and in fact, throughout the year, we have the opportunity to educate visitors about how this foundation was laid.

Black History Month Events

Through March 29
Exhibit in Honor of Black History Month at Cecy’s Gallery & Studios
Cecy’s Gallery & Studios, 417 Foster St. | 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Through April 5
History Exhibit — A Creative Protest: MLK Comes to Durham
Museum of Durham History, 500 W. Main St. | 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

February 7-March 27, 2020
Black History: Artist Perspectives Exhibit
Hayti Heritage Center, 804 Old Fayetteville St. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Book Talk with Brandon K. Winford
Museum of Durham History, 500 W. Main St. | 6-8 p.m.

February 8, 2020
Black Excellence in Science
Museum of Life and Science, 433 W. Murray Ave. 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Meet the Artist at Cecy’s: Je’wel
Cecy’s Gallery & Studios, 417 Foster St. | 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

February 9, 2020
Book Discussion with Author, Pulitzer Prize-Winning Journalist David Zucchino
Eno River Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 4907 Garrett Rd. 1-3 p.m.

Mondays, Feb. 10 & 24, 2020
Liberation’s Station Winter Storytime
Sarah P. Duke Gardens, 420 Anderson St. | 10-11 a.m.

February 11, 2020
Preservation Durham People + Place Speaker Series: A Glimpse into the History of College Heights
Chesterfield Building, 701 W. Main St. | 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Stage Reading of "Sweet Chariot"
Hayti Heritage Center, 804 Old Fayetteville St. 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

February 12, 2020
African Film Festival: Supa Modo
Rubenstein Arts Center Film Theater, 2020 Campus Dr. 6:30-8:30 p.m.

February 13-15, 2020
Hayti Heritage Film Festival
Hayti Heritage Center, 804 Old Fayetteville St. | All Day

February 14-23, 2020
NCCU Department of Theatre brings "Dreamgirls"
NCCU Farrison-Newton Communications Bldg, 501 E. Lawson St. | All Day

February 19, 2020
African Film Festival: Razzia
Rubenstein Arts Center Film Theater, 2020 Campus Dr. 6:30-8:30 p.m.

February 22, 2020
Meet the Heroes 2020: Black Wall Street
New Creation United Methodist Church, 4705 Old Chapel Hill Rd. | 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Eno River Winter Hike — Fannie Breeze Homestead
Eno River State Park, 6101 Cole Mill Rd. | 2-4:30 p.m.

February 26, 2020
African Film Festival: Namballa Keita
Rubenstein Arts Center Film Theater, 2020 Campus Dr. 6:30-8:30 p.m.

March 7
Classroom Open Hours featuring Liberation’s Station Black Lit Library®
Sarah P. Duke Gardens, 420 Anderson St. | 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Join the discussion
Tell us what Black History Month means to you on social media with the hashtag #Durhamblackhistory.