This spring’s Conversation on Diversity series opens with a discussion of the ongoing reality of war in Iraq, the impact of which varies widely across lines of social difference. Recognizing the importance of enriching the spirit in times of war, we honor Black History Month (February) and Women’s History Month (March) with a series of events celebrating the rich traditions and achievements of these groups. In April, we turn our attention to the Hmong community and its vibrant history and culture. Finally, we end the semester with our second annual Conversations on Diversity Awards, to acknowledge and support the outstanding diversity work of our campus community. As always, it is the goal of the series to engender real conversation. Bring your ideas, questions, and willingness to engage with others to any single conversation or the entire series.

Join Us

Every other Wednesday from noon - 1:00pm
(Snacks will be provided)

February 7, BMU 210
Iraq War: Stories, Costs, Questions
Facilitated by TBA

February 28, BMU 210
The Langston Hughes Project – Ask your Mama: Twelve Moods for Jazz
Facilitated by Dr. Ron McCurdy, Chairman of the Jazz Studies Department at USC

March 14, BMU 210
Elizabeth Cady Stanton: My Life in Woman Suffrage
Facilitated by Rosemary Quinn, writer and performer

April 4, BMU 210
Building Bridges: Learning about the Hmong Culture
Facilitated by MaiHoua Lo, Financial Aid Counselor and Chue Yang, Upward Bound Data Administrator

April 18, BMU 210
Activism Shaping Community, Community Shaping Activism
Facilitated by The AS Women’s Center and Special Guest

May 2, BMU 210
2nd Annual Conversations on Diversity Achievement Awards and Reception
Facilitated by Tray Robinson, Diversity Coordinator

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