Black History Month Celebration
Tuesday, February 25, 2014 | 7:30 pm

Rachel M. Schlesinger
Concert Hall and Arts Center
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Go Tell It on the Mountain arr. Alan Baylock
I Hope in Time a Change Will Come Oliver Nelson

NOVA Jazz Ensemble
John Kocur, Director

Welcome Dr. Jimmie McClellan, Dean
Division of Liberal Arts

Hold On Spiritual
Blue Monday Blues George Gershwin

DEM Vocal Trio
DeMarcus Bold, Eric Arceneaux, Michael Bryant

Three Bags Full Metropolitan Tap Ensemble Herbie Hancock

Theater Piece: My Name is Gabriel, I Am a Man Acting Students of Dr. Kate Y. Al-Shamma

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands arr. Margaret Bonds
sung by Marion Anderson at the March on Washington

Go Down Moses arr. Adolphus Hailstork
Plenty Good Room arr. Jacqueline Hairston
Lisa Edwards Burns, soprano Steven Ralph, bass
Christine Hagan, piano
NOVA Chamber Singers

Intermission

Freedom Day Max Roach
Alabama NOVA Faculty Jazz Ensemble
John Coltrane

John Kocur, saxophone Joseph Herrera, trumpet
Gene D'Andrea, piano Chris Galvan, guitar
Curtis Fye, bass Eleazar Rubenstein, drums

Jazz Mass for Dr. King Mark Whitmire

On January 22 we celebrated Dr. Martin Luther King Day,
honoring the great leader of the Civil Rights movement.
We continue to remember Dr. King,
recalling his words and reflecting on them in music.

This is the Day
A Reading from Dr. King (reader: Bernie Cohen)
Kyrie
Gloria

A Reading from Dr. King (reader: Dorothea Kamara)
Love Is the Unfamiliar Name (text: T. S. Elliot)
Mike Jarvis, tenor

Creed
A Reading from Dr. King (reader: DeMarcus Bold)
Sanctus
Agnus Dei
Precious Lord Thomas Dorsey, arr. M. Whitmire
sung by Mahalia Jackson at Dr. King's funeral

NOVA Community Chorus
Dr. Mark Whitmire, Director
Lisa Edwards Burns, soprano; Steven Ralph, bass
NOVA Faculty Jazz Ensemble
Let America Be America Again

Dr. Joe Windham, reader; John Kocur, sax

In December 5 the world lost one of its brightest lights:
Nelson Mandela.
Here are some of Mandela's words from his book
"Long Walk to Freedom."

Readers
Ruth Herndon, Traval Mensah,
Anthony Clarke, Jessi Calzado-Esponda

A Song for Mandiba: Jabula Jesu

Sithi jabula, Jesu, jabula. We say, be joyful with Jesus.
Wake up in the moonlight singing.
Sithi thandaza, Solly thandaza. We say, play Mandiba, have a good time.
 Heaven is a waiting for you,
The sun is retreating. My whole heart is beating. No Jesu jabul, no Jesu.
The daylight is dying, My whole heart is crying.
Weh Mandiba, thandaza. Lalela! Hey, Mambela, have a good time. Listen!

NOVA Community Chorus
The Metropolitan Tap Ensemble
Gene D'Andrea and Eleazar Rubenstein, drums

Lift Every Voice and Sing

NOVA Jazz Band
John Kocur, Director

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Christine Hagan, Accompanist
Lisa Edwards Burrs, soprano; Steven Ralph, bass

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