

THE DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. STATE CELEBRATION COMMISSION OF MISSOURI

In August of 1984, following an act of the 98th Congress, President Ronald Reagan signed into law legislation which created the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Federal Holiday Commission. The Commission was created to encourage appropriate ceremonies and activities throughout the United States celebrating the first legal observance of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., holiday, January 15, 1986.

In this spirit, the State Celebration Commission of Missouri is to consider and recommend to individuals and organizations appropriate activities for the recognition and celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday in the State of Missouri.

The response and growth have been phenomenal. Special programs and events honoring Dr. King and his dream have mushroomed from just a few dozen communities in 1986 to hundreds in every geographical area of the state. The Commission continues to reach out in attempt to ensure the participation of all areas, as many communities and individuals as possible in the State Celebration: churches, synagogues, schools, universities, nursing homes, professional and civic organizations, government agencies, libraries and post offices. Essay and art contests are encouraged to motivate statewide youth participation and are presented to recipients in the categories of Individual, Organization, Youth, Corporate/Business and Government, who exemplify the attributes associated with the program theme.

In continuing to celebrate Dr. King's life, we all keep alive Dr. King's dream of a unified world -- a world in which "people are not judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character."

WON'T YOU JOIN US?

KEEPING THE DREAM ALIVE

We would like to include your event in the official **2009 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. State Celebration Commission's Calendar of Events** booklet, which is distributed throughout Missouri. Entries may include Black History Month activities. Enter as many activities as you wish; one event per form. This form can be copied for additional entries and faxed to (314) 340-3399, e-mailed to busekrum@hssu.edu, or mailed to Mrs. Marcy Busekrus at Harris-Stowe State University, Office of the President, 3026 Laclede Ave., St. Louis, MO 63103. Please direct all inquiries to Mrs. Marcy Busekrus at (314) 340-3380. You may download the submission form on the Web site at www.hssu.edu.

2009 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Missouri State Celebration Calendar of Events Inclusion Form

PLEASE RETURN BY NOVEMBER 14, 2008, FOR INCLUSION, NO EXCEPTIONS.

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Place:	<hr/>	
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Special Guest(s):	<hr/>	
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Sponsored By:	<hr/>	
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Address of Activity (Including city and state)		
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Admission Cost: <hr/>		
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