Spring 2017- A Semester in Review

The 2016-2017 school year is coming to a close. Here are some of the highlights of our Spring programming!

January

• In January, we welcomed four new members to our team- Anne, Michelle, and Millie!

• January was also the start of our Wellness Workshop program, a collaboration between all five cultural centers to help students develop sustainable self-care skills all year long.

• The Betty Shabazz Cultural Center kicked off its support and discussion groups.

February

• February was Black History Month, and the Association of Pan-African Unity hosted engaging, challenging, and restorative programs, bringing in guest speakers and artists including an installation by Sisters in Stitches, “Black Church, Black Twitter,” and “African Spirituality Matters.”

• Vietnam Night, hosted by the Vietnamese Students Association,
featured food and performances by MHC students.

March

• The Zowie Banteah Cultural Center brought guest speaker Amer Ahmed to MHC to discuss his work with music, spirituality, and social justice.

• The BOOM conference on March 26th and 27th engaged the entire campus in discussions of diversity, equity, and inclusion.

April

• Saturday, April 1st, was the Women of Color Conference, featuring over 40 workshops, and keynote speaker Staceyann Chin.

• FAMILIA hosted this year’s Drag Ball: The Get Down!

• On April 10th, nearly 600 admitted students visited the Cultural Centers for MHC Preview Weekend. Each center provided its own activities and opportunities for connection with the upcoming class of 2021!

• The ACE hosted a screening of “The Search for General Tso.”

• KASA hosted Korea Night on April 21st.

Upcoming Recognition for Graduating Seniors

The Division of Student Life and the Jeanette Marks House will be sponsoring a LGBTQIA+ Graduating Senior Celebration on Wednesday, May 3, at 5:30pm. We will honor graduating seniors with lavender tassels to wear to Commencement! Seniors must register no later than April 29th at midnight using this google form, and may contact Dean Denson (ldenson@mtholyoke.edu) with any questions or concerns.

FLIP will be sponsoring a recognition ceremony for first-generation graduates on Sunday, April 30th, at 12:30 in Skinner 210. Graduating seniors will receive blue and gold cords for Commencement!

MHC Preview Weekend Opens Doors to New Experiences

The MHC Cultural Centers would like to extend an enormous THANK YOU to everyone who participated in MHC Preview weekend! All of our events were hugely successful, and we couldn't have done it without your help.