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Mesa State AmeriCorps and Cultural Diversity Board Celebrate MLK Day

Grand Junction, Colo. (January 8, 2009)—The Mesa State College AmeriCorps project and the Cultural Diversity Board present a community celebration of the life of Martin Luther King, Jr., on Monday, Jan. 19, 2009.

A remembrance march with luminaries will start at 5pm in the Academic Quad just west of the Moss Performing Arts Center. A short celebration will be held from 6-7pm in the MET (Mesa Experimental Theatre also known as the Black Box theatre) in the Moss Performing Arts Center.

Entertainment includes singers and Stomp dancers. The winner of the middle school essay contest on the topic, "How I support tolerance in my personal community," will read the winning essay. The winner of the Mesa State speech contest, which challenged students to emulate King's "I see the Promised Land," sermon with a speech about their view of the Promised Land, will read her speech.

Mayor Gregg Palmer will proclaim Jan. 19, 2009 as Martin Luther King, Jr. Day in the city of Grand Junction.

MSC Associated Student Government President Adam Davenport will deliver King's famous "I Have a Dream," speech. The invocation will be given by Harry Butler.

Refreshments will be provided and this event is free and open to the public.

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