

Defend Affirmative Action!

Save Brown v. Board of Education

university of michigan ann arbor
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MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2003 MARTIN LUTHER KING BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY

12-1PM NATIONAL MLK MARCH

at the University of Michigan Ann Arbor ▶ ASSEMBLE AT S. UNIVERSITY & FOREST

Featured speakers include:

- ♦ Rev. Jesse Jackson, Rainbow/PUSH Coalition
- ♦ Shanta Driver, UEAA National Director, BAMN National Spokesperson
- ♦ Student and youth civil rights activists
- ♦ Judge Greg Mathis, Michigan 36th District Court
- ♦ Professor Frank Wu, Howard University School of Law
- ♦ Marjorie McWilliams, Exec. Bd. Vice President, Detroit Federation of Teachers
- ♦ Ron Richardson, Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees Int'l Union, Vice Pres.
- ♦ Arab American Community Center for Economic and Social Services representative

Rally and mass civil rights meeting to follow ▶ CHEMISTRY BUILDING, RM.1800

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2003

2-4PM Conference registration begins

4-6PM *Grutter v. Bollinger & Gratz v. Bollinger: Standing Shoulder to Shoulder, Defending Affirmative Action before the Supreme Court*
▶ 250 HUTCHINS HALL, U OF M LAW SCHOOL

John Payton, Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering – attorney for Univ. of Michigan ♦ Miranda Massie, United for Equality & Affirmative Action (UEAA), BAMN – attorney for student defendants in *Grutter v. Bollinger* ♦ Theodore Shaw, NAACP Legal Defense Fund – attorney for student defendants in *Gratz v. Bollinger*.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2003

10AM-12PM *Panel: The Leading Role of Women*

In the Defense of Affirmative Action ▶ MICHIGAN UNION, BALLROOM

Faith Smith, President of Native American Legal Services ♦ Caroline Wong, BAMN National Organizer ♦ Winnie Kao, attorney for UEAA ♦ Elizabeth Cole, Professor of Afro American & African Studies/Women's Studies, U of M

12-1PM *Lunch - Keynote Speaker: Hon. Mary Frances Berry* ▶ MI UNION, BALLRM.
Chairperson of the US Commission on Civil Rights

1PM-3PM *The Fight for Women's Equality & the Defense of Affirmative Action*

Terry O'Neill, Vice President of NOW – Mobilizing young women in defense of affirmative action and Title IX ♦ Jodi Masley, UEAA Attorney and BAMN National Organizer – Building a new civil rights movement to win the fight for women's equality

7-9PM *Brown v. Board of Education:*

Why We Wage this Fight to Defend Integration ▶ RACKHAM AUDITORIUM

Peter Irons, UC San Diego Professor - The state of K-12 desegregation:
Renewing the fight for integration

Cheryl Brown Henderson, family spokesperson for the plaintiffs of *Brown v. Board of Education* - Our struggle for integration

Shanta Driver, UEAA National Director, BAMN National Spokesperson
Building the March on Washington and restoring the promise of *Brown*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 2003

9-11AM *Leading the Fight for Dignity and Equality: The Role of High School Students in the New Civil Rights Movement* ▶ RACKHAM AUDITORIUM

Featured speaker: Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth -
The role of youth in the Battle for Birmingham

12-1:30PM *Workshop sessions: Arming Ourselves with the Truth*

▶ RACKHAM AUDITORIUM AND NATURAL SCIENCES AUDITORIUM; ROOM ASSIGNMENTS TBA

Walter Allen, UCLA Prof. of Sociology, Danny Solorzano, UCLA Prof. of Education, & Daniela Pineda, UCLA Grad. Student ♦ Jay Rosner, Dir. of Princeton Review Foundation & David White, Director of Testing for the Public ♦ Gilbert Gee, Assistant Professor of Public Health, University of Michigan ♦ Robert Allen, Professor of Sociology, University of California ♦ Faith Smith, President of Native American Educational Services

1:45-3PM *Workshops above repeated*

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3:30-5PM *Workshops led by area high school students: Organizing and Mobilizing High School Students for the March on Washington*

▶ RACKHAM AUDITORIUM AND NATURAL SCIENCES AUDITORIUM; ROOM ASSIGNMENTS TBA

6:30PM - ... *Poetry slam and talent show* ▶ LOCATION TBA



Linda Brown,
lead plaintiff of *Brown v. Board of Education*

For updates on
room locations:

See www.bamn.com
or check Room 4134
in the Michigan Union

Register online:
www.bamn.com

The National Civil Rights Summit and Conference of the New Civil Rights Movement at the University of Michigan Ann Arbor comes at a decisive moment in the struggle for integration and equality in America. The outcome of the two University of Michigan affirmative action cases, *Gratz v. Bollinger* and *Grutter v. Bollinger*, that will be heard by the US Supreme Court at the end of March/beginning of April, 2003 will determine the fate of affirmative action. A defeat for affirmative action in these two cases will resegregate higher education and make *Brown v. Board of Education* a dead letter.

Join the youth and student activists of the new civil rights movement, labor leaders and trade union activists, civil rights leaders, and leading progressive and integrationist intellectuals as we converge at the Summit and Conference. We will learn, teach, network and most importantly *plan* and *organize* for the **Civil Rights March to the Supreme Court** on the day the two Michigan affirmative action cases are heard.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2003

9-11AM *Saving Brown: Turning American Society Back Towards Progress*

▶ RACKHAM AUDITORIUM: Eduardo Bonilla-Silva, Professor of Sociology, Texas A & M ♦ Gary Orfield, Director of Harvard Civil Rights Project ♦ Bill Kidder, Attorney ♦ Pedro Noguera, Professor of Education, Harvard Univ. ♦ Luke Massie, BAMN Natl. Organizer

11AM-12:15PM *Mobilization Panels for the March on Washington*

▶ ANGELL HALL – ROOM ASSIGNMENTS TO BE ANNOUNCED

Panel 1: Mobilizing on college campuses – Tiffany Bloom, BAMN National Organizer ♦ Marshall Rose, Dir., Affirmative Action Office, Bowling Green State Univ. ♦ Vinay Harpalani, Univ. of Pennsylvania ♦ Jeff Johnson*, NAACP Youth & College Division Dir.

Panel 2: Mobilizing the unions – John Riehl, President of AFSCME Local 207 ♦ Mark Gaffney, President of the Michigan AFL-CIO

Panel 3: Mobilizing high school students – Caroline Wong, BAMN Natl. Organizer ♦ Lisa Resch, BAMN Natl. HS Organizer ♦ Sarah Barnard, BAMN Organizer, U of M ♦ Yvette Felarca, Oakland Unified School Dist. teacher, Calif. Teachers Assoc. State Council

Panel 4: Mobilizing other movements for justice - speaker from Int'l A.N.S.W.E.R.

Panel 5: Race and the media: Bringing the students' case to the public – Trevor Coleman, Editorial Writer for the Detroit Free Press

Panel 6: Mobilizing the legal community – Paula Johnson, Co-President of the Society of American Law Teachers (SALT) ♦ University of New Mexico law students

1-2:30PM *Taking the Pledge: Mobilizing for the March on Washington*

Indoor rally ▶ RACKHAM AUDITORIUM

♦ Opening remarks by Shanta Driver, BAMN, UEAA

♦ Rev. Jesse Jackson, Founder of Rainbow/PUSH Coalition

♦ Rev. Al Sharpton, President of National Action Network

♦ Hector Flores, President of League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC)

♦ Congressman John Conyers, U.S. Congressional Rep., 14th District of Michigan

♦ Dr. James Zogby, President of the Arab American Institute

Other invited speakers: Kweisi Mfume*, President, NAACP

2:30-4PM *Latina/os leading the fight for affirmative action and integration*

▶ RACKHAM AUDITORIUM

Margaret Montoya, Prof. of Law, U. New Mexico ♦ Hector Flores, President of LULAC

4:15-6:30PM *Area Mobilization Reports* ▶ RACKHAM AUDITORIUM

Including representatives from University of Michigan, University of California, Howard University, Eastern Michigan University, University of Kansas, Texas Christian University, Cornell University, University of Pennsylvania and more.

Opening remarks by Tanya Troy-Sanabria, BAMN Nat'l Outreach Coordinator

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2003

9AM-12:30PM *Plenary: Discussion and votes on resolutions* ▶ RACKHAM AUDITORIUM

1:30-3PM *Conference wrap-up* ▶ RACKHAM AUDITORIUM

* denotes invited speaker

National Civil Rights Summit & Conference of the New Civil Rights Movement

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