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Special Events Will Commemorate LBJ and MLK

The San Marcos community will begin two weeks of special events celebrating the legacies of President Lyndon Baines Johnson and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.—including films, celebrations and marches to honor local civil rights trailblazers and the dedication of the LBJ-MLK Crossroads Memorial.

The public is invited to attend these upcoming special events:



ARTIST AARON HUSSEY displays the engraved inlay being installed at the LBJ-MLK Crossroads Memorial with the words in many languages, "To Stand for Another's Freedom is to Free Yourself." (Photo by Trey Hatt)

Sunday, Jan. 12 at 5 p.m. at the LBJ Museum: "Flipping the Switch" of the new lighted sign at the LBJ Museum of San Marcos, a project of the Leadership San Marcos Class of 2014. LBJ Museum, 131 S. Guadalupe Street, San Marcos.

Monday, Jan. 13 at San Marcos Public Library: Special exhibit of the story of the LBJ-MLK Crossroads Memorial. *How an idea became a dream and a dream became a project and a project became an inspiring landmark.* Sponsored by the Calaboose African American History Museum in cooperation with the LBJ-MLK Crossroads Committee.

Wednesday, Jan. 15 at 7 p.m. at the San Marcos Public Library: *The Crossroads:*

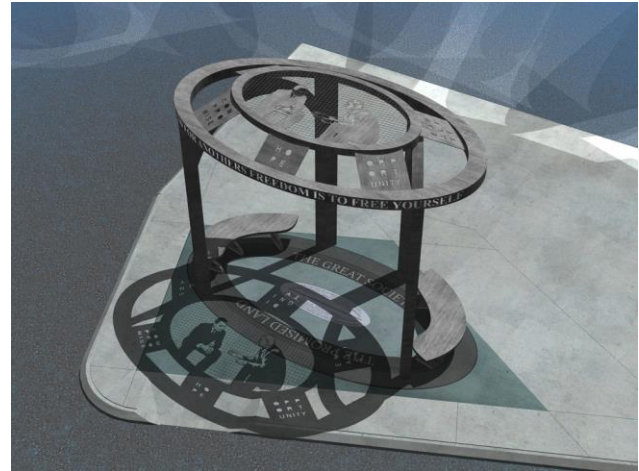
San Marcos Stories at the San Marcos Public Library, 625 E. Hopkins. A short film of local residents telling their stories of the Civil Rights era, made by university students in Dr. Dave Nolan's Visual Storytelling Class at Texas State University.

Friday, Jan. 17, Walkers' Gallery, San Marcos Activity Center: *Engaging Your Dreams* exhibit opens with a section of photographs of MLK and LBJ. Sponsored by the San Marcos Area Arts Council and the San Marcos Arts Commission. 501 E. Hopkins.

Sunday, Jan. 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the San Marcos Activity Center: Public reception honoring President Johnson and Dr. King and local Civil Rights Trailblazers, sponsored by the City of San Marcos at the Activity Center, 501 E. Hopkins. Special guests include Congressman Lloyd Doggett, Pulitzer Prize-winning author Nick Kotz, and local Civil Rights Trailblazers.

Monday, Jan. 20 starting at 10 a.m.

- **Annual MLK Observance:** sponsored by the Dunbar Heritage Association with a special program and speakers, followed by a march down LBJ to MLK Drive.
- **LBJ-MLK Crossroads Memorial Dedication Ceremony:** Dedication of the sculpture by Louisiana artist Aaron Hussey that commemorates the historic collaboration of President Johnson and Dr. King to forge Civil Rights legislation 50 years ago. Special guests include Aaron Hussey and Luci Johnson, daughter of President Johnson.
- **March to Dunbar Center for Peace Pie Social:** Following the dedication, participants will march to Dunbar Center, 801 MLK Drive, for a Peace Pie Social sponsored by local churches and Centro Hispano Cultural de San Marcos.



The LBJ-MLK Crossroads Memorial will be installed next week and dedicated on Monday, Jan. 20.

Tuesday, Jan. 21 at 5:30 p.m. Nick Kotz: Pulitzer Prize winning author Nick Kotz will read from *Judgment Days: LBJ and MLK and the Laws that Changed America*. 101 Taylor-Murphy Hall, Texas State University. Sponsored by the Departments of History and Political Science, Undergraduate Academic Services Endowment and Honors College at Texas State University.

Wednesday, Jan. 22 at 4:30 p.m. Nick Kotz: at the Walkers Gallery at San Marcos Activity Center. Author Nick Kotz reading from *The Harness Maker's Dream* in conjunction with the exhibit, *Engaging Your Dreams*. Sponsored by the San Marcos Area Arts Council and the San Marcos Arts Commission.

Thursday, Jan. 23 at 6:15 p.m. MLK March: at Old Main, Texas State University. Annual MLK Commemoration: *Freedom, a State of Mind* with a march from Old Main to the LBJ Student Center Ballroom and program. Sponsored by the Office of Diversity and Inclusion at Texas State University.

All events are free and open to the public. For more information, contact lbjmlk@gmail.com and visit www.lbjmlk.org or www.facebook.com/LBJMLKCrossroadsProject.