

James Farmer Multicultural Center

Cultural Programming and Collaborations Report

Cross-Cultural BBQ – August 29, 2019

- The student organization, Students Educating and Empowering for Diversity (SEED) took the leadership in planning and coordinating this event for the campus community. There were 15 student organizations that participated by hosting a table and providing information about their purpose and activities, as well as a food dish that was representative of their culture or group. Hundreds of people attended this event. Individuals were able to learn more about the cultural groups on campus, activities they engage in, and sample a flavor of their respective cuisine.

Latino Identities Month Celebration – September 15 – October 15

- Latino Identities Month (LIM) Celebration had a successful kick-off event on Monday, September 16th in Ball Circle. Members of the Latino Student Association (LSA) did a great job in planning and implementing this event for the campus community. There were many individuals who attended (including faculty, staff, and administrators) and several who participated in various aspects of the program. There were music, food, and cultural information provided for everyone.
- The celebration will conclude with the Sabor Latino in Chandler Ballroom in the University Center on October 9th beginning at 6:00 p.m. The main performance will feature Semilla Cultural, a non-profit group dedicated to cultivating Puerto Rican culture and traditions in Virginia, as well as include a fashion show. Most of these events were free and open to the campus and surrounding communities.

Academic Collaborations

- Program support with Dr. Marcelo Fajardo-Cardenas on a program entitled, “Creating a New Culture I: Book Edition,” on Tuesday, September 17, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in Simpson Library.
- Program support with Dr. Marcelo Fajardo-Cardenas for the “Spain and Latin America in Films and Literature” CINE LIT series on Wednesdays Sept. 25, and Oct. 2 & 9, 2019 at 5 p.m. in Combs Hall, Room 237.
- Program support with Mr. Doug Gately on a program entitled, “Music: The Latin Touch,” on Friday, September 27, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in the Hurley Convergence Center, Digital Auditorium.

- Program support with Dr. Betsy Lewis for a lecture featuring Dr. Nicolás Fernández-Medina for “Among Radicals and Fools: Juan de Cabriada and the Transformation of Spanish Medical Culture in the Late 17th Century,” on Monday, September 30, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in Combs Hall, Room 139.
- Program support with Dr. Marco Millones Mayer on a cooking event entitled “Peruvian Cuisine Live: A Cooking and Tasting Experience,” on Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in Randolph Hall Lounge Area.