

# UNH Welcomes Joseph White for Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration

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**Editor's Note: Dr. White will be available to answer questions from the news media from 5 to 6:15 p.m. on the day of the event at the Field House. Press interested in attending this pre-event session should confirm with Lori Gula at 603-862-0574 or [lori.gula@unh.edu](mailto:lori.gula@unh.edu).**

DURHAM, N.H. -- The University of New Hampshire welcomes Joseph L. White to campus as part of its Martin Luther King Jr. celebration Tuesday, Jan. 29.

White is the keynote speaker for the event. His speech is titled, "The Voice of Martin Luther King: Once Again the Trumpet Sounds."

The UNH SIS Step Team, UNH vocal group Soul Sistahs and the UNH women's a cappella singing group, the New Hampshire Notables, will perform. The Rev. Arthur Hilson, pastor of the New Hope Baptist Church in Portsmouth, will give the invocation. UNH Chaplain Larry Brickner-Wood will offer the benediction.

The event, sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs, begins at 7 p.m. at the Field House. A reception will follow in the Rockingham Room on the 3rd floor of the MUB. Parking is available in A-Lot (commuter lot) across the street from the Field House. The event is free and open to the public.

For 38 years, White has enjoyed a distinguished career in the field of psychology and mental health as a teacher, mentor, administrator, clinical supervisor, writer, consultant and practicing psychologist. He is professor emeritus of psychology and psychiatry at the University of California, Irvine, where he has spent most of his career.

He received his doctorate in clinical psychology from Michigan State University in 1961.

White is the author of several papers and three books: *The Psychology of Blacks: An African-American Perspective*, *The Troubled Adolescent*, and *Black Man Emerging: Facing the Past and Seizing a Future in America*. A pioneer in the field of black psychology, he is known as one of the founders of black psychology by his students and younger colleagues. His seminal article in Ebony magazine in 1970, "Toward a Black Psychology," was instrumental in beginning the modern era of African-American and ethnic psychology.

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