MAKE an IMPACT!

JANUARY 28–FEBRUARY 7, 2016
‘DEIS IMPACT!: A FESTIVAL OF SOCIAL JUSTICE

Brandeis University
SOME OF THE QUESTIONS EXPLORED DURING THE WEEK:

How can I be effectively involved in building a just society?

How can I engage with others — on and off campus — to broaden my own impact?

How can I connect my passion for social justice with my career?
TOO COMFORTABLE TO CARE?

In a June 2015 interview with Jon Stewart, actor and comedian Nick Offerman stated, “We’re so comfortable these days, we can say, ‘Well, maybe I should just binge-watch all these great entertainment shows for the rest of my life,’ and that’s a choice we can make and get away with.”

Complacency and comfort may be an option for some, but if you are attending this festival of social justice, perhaps you have made the decision to act instead.

Last year, also being interviewed by Jon Stewart, Malala Yousafzai, a Pakistani activist for female education and the youngest person ever to be nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize, said, “Sometimes we wait for others and think that Martin Luther [King Jr.] should rise among us, and Nelson Mandela should rise among us and speak up for us. But we never realize that they are normal humans like us, and if we step forward, we can also bring change, just like they did.”

We tend to wait for such figures. We could easily wait forever, instead of making our own contributions. But there is not always a Mandela or a Yousafzai to fix things. And even they did not act alone.

As an individual, it can be daunting to identify which channels to go through to address injustice and implement change. This task may become frustrating when individuals and organizations in power remain gridlocked, and patterns of systemic violence and injustice repeat themselves time and again. But historically, change at the levels of policy, law and culture has originated in movements of impassioned groups of people.

During this festival you will meet people who may refresh your drive and commitment to getting the work done, people dedicated to making an impact. We, too, can make the decision to not sit idly by, watching endless TV shows on Netflix. We, too, can decide together not to be apathetic or defeated. We, too, can decide to move forward and to act.

Join us.

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‘DEIS (short for BranDEIS) Impact is made possible in part through the generous support of the Louis D. Brandeis Legacy Fund for Social Justice, which supports Brandeis students, enhances campus life and promotes the issues of social justice that the former U.S. Supreme Court justice championed throughout his life. Since its establishment in 2006, the Legacy Fund has sponsored a series of initiatives designed to help students, enrich the university community and address social justice concerns on and off campus.

The Legacy Fund was founded by Jules Bernstein ’57 and is funded in part by Bernstein and his wife, Linda Lipsett.
KEYNOTE PERFORMANCE AND ADDRESS
GERMAINE INGRAM
Performance of
“FREEDOM UNDERFOOT”
With Germaine Ingram, civil rights lawyer and jazz tap dancer
Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2:00-3:20 p.m. (performance), 3:30-4:30 p.m. (talkback)
Shapiro Campus Center Theater

This performance about the final, horrific year of the Civil War in Atlanta consists of original songs and choreography combined with text from slave narratives, diaries, autobiographies and letters. These archives shed light on the ambitions, fears and internal conflicts of Southern women — slave, free, white and black — during this tumultuous time. Musicians Jacqueline Pickett and Diane Monroe will lend their talents to the performance. Afterward, the performer, musicians and guests will discuss the work and its contemporary implications for racial justice, as well as the contributions of the arts to social transformation.

THE LAW AND THE STAGE:
PLATFORMS FOR PURSUING SOCIAL JUSTICE
Wednesday, Feb. 3, 7:30-9:00 p.m.
Shapiro Campus Center Theater

Civil rights lawyer and jazz tap dancer Germaine Ingram illuminates her experiences in the law, arts and culture, and the broad civic arena as avenues for advancing fairness, respect and inclusion. This keynote includes excerpts from her performance “Freedom Underfoot,” presented Tuesday, Feb. 2 at 2:00 p.m. in the Shapiro Campus Center Theater. Violinist Diane Monroe will also participate in this address. Visit go.brandeis.edu/DEISImpact for more information about Germaine Ingram and her accompanying musicians.

These events are part of the Student Support Services Program’s 25th Anniversary Celebration and are co-sponsored by Brandeis Posse and the minor in Creativity, the Arts and Social Transformation.
LOUIS D. BRANDEIS, THE SUPREME COURT AND AMERICAN DEMOCRACY

Featuring remarks by Ruth Bader Ginsburg, U.S. Supreme Court Justice

Thursday, Jan. 28, 5:00 p.m.
Shapiro Gymnasium, Gosman Sports and Convocation Center
Introduction by Lisa M. Lynch, Interim President, Brandeis University
Remarks by Ruth Bader Ginsburg, U.S. Supreme Court Justice
Moderated by Frederick M. Lawrence, Brandeis University

Panelists include Ralph D. Gants, chief justice of the Massachusetts Supreme Court; Philippa Strum ’59, senior scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars; Jeffrey Toobin, a staff writer for The New Yorker; and Mark Wolf, senior judge for the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts. Part of “Louis D. Brandeis 100: Then and Now,” a semester-long celebration marking the 100th anniversary of Justice Brandeis’ nomination and appointment to the U.S. Supreme Court. Learn more at www.brandeis.edu/ldb-100.

ADMISSION: Free tickets required, distributed by lottery.
MULTIDAY EVENTS

ARTS, EXHIBITIONS AND SCREENINGS
FAITH AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
HEALTH AND HEALING
IDENTITY, RACE AND GENDER
INTERGENERATIONAL JUSTICE
SOCIETY, CULTURE AND LEADERSHIP
STUDENTS IN ACTION
All events are free and open to the public. Tickets are required only for the event featuring U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg (see page 5).

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**FEATURED EVENT**

**BREAKING THE STORY:**

**How Eight Ordinary Citizens Took Down the FBI**

Boston Premiere: “1971” Screening and Q&A with Filmmaker, Reporter and Two Burglars

Monday, Feb. 1, 6:00-8:30 p.m.

*Wasserman Cinematheque, Sachar*

How can journalists change the world? When is civil disobedience necessary? Can ordinary citizens really make a difference? Join the Schuster Institute for Investigative Journalism in a screening and panel discussion of “1971,” a documentary about how eight ordinary citizens broke into an FBI office and exposed wrongdoings by stealing files and turning them over to major newspapers. The screening will be followed by a panel discussion with “1971” director Johanna Hamilton; two of the original burglars; and Washington Post reporter Betty Medsger, who reported the story and wrote the book that inspired the documentary. The panel will be moderated by Florence Graves, founding director of the Schuster Institute. Medsger will sign copies of her book, “The Burglary: The Discovery of J. Edgar Hoover’s Secret FBI.”

**SPONSORED BY:** The Schuster Institute for Investigative Journalism

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**DIVERSITY ON DISPLAY: PERSPECTIVES IN DIVERSITY RELATIONS**

Display: Friday, Jan. 29-Sunday, Feb. 7, all day

*Shapiro Campus Center Atrium*

Event: Saturday, Feb. 6, 7:30-9:00 p.m.

*Location: See go.brandeis.edu/DEISImpact*

What is diversity? What can we learn from the diverse network of people all around us? This event will explore diversity on the Brandeis campus through a series of portraits and interviews from members of the Brandeis community. The event is intended to open dialogue about our perception of people who are different from us — people with different skin color, religion or socioeconomic status. What makes Brandeis diverse?

**SPONSORED BY:** Brandeis Student Union; Brandeis Pluralism Alliance; Brandeis Black Student Organization; Brandeis African Student Organization

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**REFRAMING MASS ATROCITIES**  
Friday, Jan. 29-Sunday, Feb. 7, all day  
*Shapiro Campus Center Atrium*  

When contemplating genocide and mass atrocities, we sometimes forget about the people who stood up against these heinous acts. This inspiring display will convey stories of people who fought for justice in the wake of mass atrocities. Come see a timeline of each individual’s story featured alongside stories and images of survivors and their descendants — people who are living thanks to these courageous acts.

**SPONSORED BY:** STAND: the student-led movement to end mass atrocities  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Jessica Goldstein, jpg825@brandeis.edu

**RELEARNING GENDER: MEMORIAL TO TRANSGENDER AND NONBINARY ACTIVISTS**  
Friday, Jan. 29-Sunday, Feb. 7, all day  
*Shapiro Campus Center Atrium*  

How often do you think about your gender? How has it affected your life? How can you fight cissexism in a way that improves the lives of those around you? Questions like these can be difficult for everyone, especially those of us who aren’t cisgender. Stop by this display to learn how several inspiring trans and nonbinary historical figures have tackled these questions.

**SPONSORED BY:** Quiz Bowl Team  
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**SOCIAL JUSTICE THROUGH 3D TECHNOLOGY, ART AND SCIENCE**  
Exhibition: Thursday, Jan. 28-Sunday, Feb. 7, all day  
Workshop: Sunday, Jan. 31, 3:00-6:00 p.m., MakerLab  
*Mezzanine/Green Room, Farber Library*  

Wondering what tools you can use to enact social justice today? We invite you to this exhibition about using 3D technology, art and science to make a difference. Come to the workshop to hear students discuss their work at the MakerLab. Connect with the 3D Printing Club, the Virtual Reality and Game Development Club, and the Brandeis Prostheses Club to learn how to use available tools for your own social justice goals. Let’s start a conversation!

**SPONSORED BY:** Virtual Reality and Game Development Club (DeisVR); 3D Printing Club (Deis3D); MakerLab; Brandeis Prostheses Club  
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DAILY SCHEDULE

ARTS, EXHIBITIONS AND SCREENINGS
FAITH AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
HEALTH AND HEALING
IDENTITY, RACE AND GENDER
INTERGENERATIONAL JUSTICE
SOCIETY, CULTURE AND LEADERSHIP
STUDENTS IN ACTION
**WEDNESDAY January 27**

**'DEIS IMPACT KICKOFF PARTY**
Wednesday, Jan. 27, 4:00-5:30 p.m.
*Shapiro Campus Center Atrium*

Move with us toward social justice as we kick off the ‘DEIS Impact Festival with a fun and informative event! The kick-off will feature top performance groups on campus, including Brandeis Bhangra, Company B and more. ‘DEIS Impact event coordinators will be in attendance, so you can learn about the various events happening during the week. Let’s move!

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**THURSDAY January 28**

**WRITING WORKSHOP: COMBATING OPPRESSION THROUGH SPOKEN WORD POETRY**
Thursday, Jan. 28, 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
*Location: See go.brandeis.edu/DEISImpact*

This writing workshop is designed to create a “brave” space for participants to tell their stories through spoken word poetry. Participants will explore the intersectionality of their identities while developing helpful writing techniques. This workshop is open to writers of all levels and will serve as an introduction to spoken word as an art form, a social justice outlet and a tool for community building.

**SPONSORED BY:** Brandeis Intercultural Center  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Janae Johnson, janaedj@brandeis.edu

**FUND YOUR SOCIAL JUSTICE SUMMER INTERNSHIP!**
Thursday, Jan. 28, noon-1:00 p.m.
*Hiatt Career Center Conference Room*

Planning ahead for summer 2016? How does $4,000 sound to fund your unpaid summer internship in social justice? Come learn about Hiatt’s World of Work (WOW) award. We’ll cover eligibility, timelines, application requirements and strategies to be competitive for this fellowship. Hiatt awards 30 Social Justice WOWs each year — one could be yours!

**SPONSORED BY:** Hiatt Career Center  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Jackie Blesso, blesso@brandeis.edu

All events are free and open to the public. Tickets are required only for the event featuring U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg (see page 5).
BREAKING BINARY: A POST-IT DISCUSSION ON BEING GENDERQUEER  
Thursday, Jan. 28, 1:30-3:00 p.m.  
*Gender and Sexuality Center, Usdan Student Center*

What does it mean when a person goes by “they/them” pronouns? How many genders are there? What makes a girl a girl, a boy a boy ... and what about those of us who are none of the above? Join Triskelion and the Queer Policy Alliance for a Post-It exhibition and music video-driven discussion about (1) what nonbinary identity and the gender binary are, (2) why we should think beyond binary and (3) how we can be activists against the binary! Men, women and nonbinary people alike are very welcome. Free stickers, buttons and refreshments!

**SPONSORED BY:** Triskelion; Queer Policy Alliance  
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LOUIS D. BRANDEIS, THE SUPREME COURT AND AMERICAN DEMOCRACY  
**FEATURING REMARKS BY RUTH BADER GINSBURG, U.S. SUPREME COURT**  
Thursday, Jan. 28, 5:00 p.m.  
*Shapiro Gymnasium, Gosman Sports and Convocation Center*

See page 5 for full description.

Part of “Louis D. Brandeis 100: Then and Now,” a semester-long celebration to mark the 100th anniversary of Justice Brandeis’ nomination and appointment to the U.S. Supreme Court.

FRIDAY January 29

A TALK ABOUT JUSTICE: RACIAL AND CRIMINAL INEQUALITY WITHIN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM  
Friday, January 29, 10:30 a.m.-noon  
*Rapaporte Treasure Hall, Goldfarb Library*

Do you believe there are racial and criminal injustices within the criminal justice system? Would you like to participate in a campus discussion on this issue? Come watch a viewing of “We need to talk about an injustice,” a TED Talk by NYU professor Bryan Stevenson, followed by a panel and dialogue with members of the Brandeis community.

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WAIT, WAS THAT RACIST? A DISCUSSION ON RACIAL MICROAGGRESSIONS IN CONVERSATION  
Friday, Jan. 29, 3:00-4:30 p.m.  
*Levine-Ross, Hassenfeld Conference Center (Upper Sherman)*

“You’re pretty, for a dark-skinned girl.” “Why do you sound white?” “You’re Asian, how can you be bad at math?” Have you ever heard a comment that feels racist, but isn’t really direct with its prejudice? Do you want to learn more about these statements, what they really mean, why they often go unchallenged and how we can change that? Join Brandeis’ Southeast Asia Club for a discussion (driven by a Post-Its exhibition that you’ll make) about racial microaggressions, the racist remarks we hear every day. Bring an open mind and a pen!

**SPONSORED BY:** South East Asia Club  
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SOCIAL IMPACT WITH THE JUDGES TEAMS
Friday, Jan. 29, 4:00-10:00 p.m.
Gosman Sports and Convocation Center

Brandeis athletes are more than jocks. Various teams of the Judges are also involved in social justice efforts and other good community works in addition to their demanding athletic training schedules. Drop by Gosman for snacks and a showcase of the Judges’ community involvement, as students use sports for social impact. Then stay for the women’s basketball game at 6:00 p.m. and the men’s basketball game at 8:00 p.m., as the Judges take on Case Western.

SPONSORED BY: Brandeis Athletics; Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Gabe Margolis, gabem@brandeis.edu

COFFEE, CUPCAKES AND CONDOMS: CONVERSATIONS ABOUT REPRODUCTIVE JUSTICE IS BACK!
Friday, Jan. 29, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Shapiro Campus Center Multipurpose Room

Missing representation? Overpowering voices? Lacking intersection? How can we be effective allies without co-opting a conversation, alienating voices or speaking for others? Join us for the second annual privilege walk-through of reproductive justice advocacy. We’ll discuss how to be an effective ally in a movement that too often erases the voices of marginalized populations, and we’ll find constructive and nonreductive ways to translate your privileges to strong allyship and effective activism. Refreshments will be served, and knowledge will be shared.

SPONSORED BY: Brandeis Students for Reproductive Justice (BSRJ)
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Lexi Ouellette, aouellette@brandeis.edu

INTERFAITH SHABBAT DINNER: PLURALISM, INTERFAITH DIALOGUE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
Friday, Jan. 29, 6:00-8:30 p.m.
Sherman Hall

Noticed a lack of interfaith dialogue on the Brandeis campus? Come join Hillel at Brandeis for an interfaith Shabbat dinner to start these crucial conversations. Experience a traditional Jewish meal (open to all) while engaging in discussions on interfaith collaboration. We invite students of all religions to bring their thoughts and voices. If there is anywhere students can constructively discuss how religions might more productively coexist — and how we can together pursue social justice — it is at Brandeis. Be a part of the dialogue, enjoy the (free) delicious food, and experience a meaningful Shabbat dinner with old and new friends.
Please sign up between Monday, Jan. 25, and Thursday, Jan. 28, at go.brandeis.edu/shabbat.

SPONSORED BY: Hillel at Brandeis
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Julia Sirota, jsirota@brandeis.edu
**COLALIFE: TAKING MEDICINE WHERE COKE GOES**

Saturday, Jan. 30, 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Levine-Ross, Hassenfeld Conference Center (Upper Sherman)

Why does it seem like Coca-Cola is available everywhere, but essential medicines aren't? That question inspired social entrepreneurs to create ColaLife, a nonprofit that brings lifesaving products to developing countries using Coca-Cola distribution networks. Join Net Impact’s Brandeis undergraduate chapter as we screen “The Cola Road,” a documentary showcasing ColaLife’s work. Got questions? Stick around after the screening for a Skype Q&A with ColaLife leaders, who'll be talking with us about ColaLife’s mission, accomplishments and future plans!

SPONSORED BY: Net Impact Brandeis (undergraduate chapter)
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Jake Greenberg, jakegree@brandeis.edu

**PRENATAL TESTING: THE INTERSECTION OF DISABILITY AND ETHICS IN THE 21ST CENTURY**

Saturday, Jan. 30, 3:00-4:30 p.m.
Rapaporte Treasure Hall, Goldfarb Library

How does one support both a woman’s right to control her body and the rights of disabled individuals to survive and thrive? Prenatal testing and selective abortion of disabled fetuses is a charged issue. It stands at the intersection of feminism, reproductive rights, disability rights and ethics. Please join us for an evening of discussion exploring the complex implications of modern medical interventions in the world of disability. Refreshments will be served.

SPONSORED BY: Brandeis Students for Disability Activism
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Ruthann Hewett, rhewett@brandeis.edu

**ADDRESSING THE AFFORDABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY OF EDUCATION IN THE WALTHAM COMMUNITY**

Saturday, Jan. 30, 4:30-6:00 p.m.
Shapiro Campus Center Multipurpose Room

Join local community members and Heller School faculty in a roundtable about affordable education and the various avenues to make education a tangible and accessible resource in Waltham. The discussion will explore how we can address this problem as Brandeis community members, including through various Waltham Group programs.

SPONSORED BY: Waltham Group General Tutoring; Waltham Group Community Connections
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Andrew Kouides, generaltutoring@gmail.com
GET OFF THE GRID: SUSTAINING THE ENVIRONMENT, ELIMINATING POVERTY
Sunday, Jan. 31, 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Levine-Ross, Hassenfeld Conference Center (Upper Sherman)

As the world is becoming increasingly urbanized, typical sustainability techniques are appearing less and less practical. Commercial agriculture is very quickly depleting the Earth’s resources, yet its methods seem essential in sustaining the increasing population of the world. How can we feed the world without ruining our environment? How can we sustain ourselves and our societies without risking the future of our children and grandchildren? Come explore these questions and learn about concrete, groundbreaking projects around the world that are currently taking place to address these issues head on, as well as how you can participate in them.

SPONSORED BY: Farmers Club; Waltham Group Symbiosis
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Zoe Zelkha, zzelkha@brandeis.edu

EMPOWER: SELF-DEFENSE AGAINST SEXUAL ASSAULT
Sunday, Jan. 31, 2:00-4:30 p.m.
Shapiro Campus Center Multipurpose Room

Half of American women and one out of five American men have experienced sexual violence. Half of bisexual men and women have been raped. Women and LGBT individuals are the most at risk for sexual violence. Learn about types of sexual assault, what you can do to prevent it and how you can defend yourself if you are attacked. Professional self-defense experts will be leading a workshop using physical and psychological defense methods. This event is inclusive and open to people of all genders, sexualities and identities.

SPONSORED BY: Heller Gender Working Group; Heller LGBT Working Group; Brandeis Rape Crisis Center
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Allison Goforth, agoforth@brandeis.edu
SOCIAL JUSTICE THROUGH 3D TECHNOLOGY, ART AND SCIENCE
Workshop: Sunday, Jan. 31, 3:00-6:00 p.m.
MakerLab, Mezzanine/Green Room, Farber Library
Exhibition: Thursday, Jan. 28-Sunday, Feb. 7, all day
See page 8 for full description.
SPONSORED BY: Virtual Reality and Game Development Club (DeisVR); 3D Printing Club (Deis3D); MakerLab; Brandeis Prostheses Club
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Daniela Dimitrova, ddimitr@brandeis.edu

MONDAY
February 1

EMPOWERING YOUTH THROUGH BUSINESS AND EDUCATION: THE STORY OF MORE THAN WORDS
Monday, Feb. 1, 3:00-4:30 p.m.
Shapiro Campus Center, Room 313
Youth who are in the foster care system, court-involved, homeless or out of school can take charge of their lives through education, employment opportunities and coaching. Join this open discussion and presentation by More Than Words youth participants, who are learning to take charge of their lives by taking charge of a business. Connect with More Than Words staff and youth over tasty snacks to discuss what you can do to combat the issues faced by many youth today.
SPONSORED BY: Community Service Department; More Than Words
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Elena Babineau, dcspartnerliaison@brandeis.edu

RENEWAL: A FAITH-BASED APPROACH TO SAVING THE PLANET
Monday, Feb. 1, 3:00-4:40 p.m.
Shapiro Campus Center Multipurpose Room
Can this planet be saved? Join us for a screening of “Renewal,” with director Marty Ostrow and a panel of campus faith leaders to explore answers to this question. Can faith lead the way on the journey, or at least raise our chances of success?
SPONSORED BY: Brandeis Chaplaincy
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Rabbi Elyse Winick, rabbiw@brandeis.edu

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH IN HAIR SALONS: RESEARCH FINDINGS
Monday, Feb. 1, 4:00-5:30 p.m.
Geller, Hassenfeld Conference Center (Upper Sherman)
Relaxers, hair dyes, Brazilian Blowout, press and curl. How do these procedures affect the health of black women? Join students from the fall 2015 Justice Brandeis Semester’s “Environmental Health and Justice” program as they present their findings from a study on the health and environmental effects of chemicals used in black hair salons in the Boston area. Discover the connection between social justice and environmental health.
SPONSORED BY: JBS in Environmental Health and Justice
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Cassidy Tatun, cstatun@brandeis.edu
RECLAIMING NARRATIVE THROUGH AFRICAN DIASPORIC CUISINE  
Monday, Feb. 1, 4:30-6:00 p.m.  
Location: See go.brandeis.edu/DEISImpact

African-American soul food holds a powerful and captivating narrative, rooted in creativity and survival. It combines many cultural influences and represents diasporic community. However, common stereotypes of black lives have also historically accompanied it. Brandeis Racial Minority Senator and Women of Color Alliance member Bethlehem Seifu Belaineh presents imaginative ways to think about sustainability and social justice with African-American food culture. Join us as we provide healthy vegetarian soul food options and discuss ways in which it allows us to consume ideas about blackness. This community-building event and cultural celebration connects us to more radical ways to approach ideas on soul food, activism and access.

SPONSORED BY: Women of Color Alliance  
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Queen White, queenw@brandeis.edu

BREAKING THE STORY: HOW EIGHT ORDINARY CITIZENS TOOK DOWN THE FBI  
Boston Premiere: “1971” Screening, Q&A with Filmmaker, Reporter and Two Burglars  
Monday, Feb. 1, 6:00-8:30 p.m.  
Wasserman Cinematheque, Sachar

See page 7 for full description.

SPONSORED BY: Schuster Institute for Investigative Journalism  
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Lisa Button, lbutton@brandeis.edu
THROUGH IMMIGRANT VOICES: SCHOOL IN THE USA
Tuesday, Feb. 2, noon-1:30 p.m.
Alumni Lounge, Usdan Student Center

¿Qué haces cuando no entiendes la lengua? What is it like to live in a society where you are expected to read, write and communicate in a language that you do not understand? How do immigrant parents work to learn English while supporting their children in the U.S.’s complex educational system? Join us for a discussion highlighting the struggles and successes of immigrant families and hear about these experiences firsthand from immigrant parents. Light refreshments will be served.

SPONSORED BY: Waltham Family School
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Mrudula Gadgil, mgadgil@brandeis.edu

HAND-IN-HAND: HELPING TO TRANSFORM WOMEN’S LIVES
Tuesday, Feb. 2, 12:30-2:00 p.m.
International Lounge, Usdan Student Center

Join us for a lunchtime conversation about how individuals can have an impact on the lives of women worldwide. Scholars from the Women’s Studies Research Center and members of the Gender Working Group from the Heller School for Social Policy and Management will share their projects about transforming the quality of life for many women around the world, from countries such as Cuba, Afghanistan, India, Indonesia and El Salvador. Though relatively small, these accomplishments provide guidance for further activism. Come share your stories and listen to the heartening experiences of others. Bring your lunch; ethnic snacks will be served!

SPONSORED BY: Women’s Studies Research Center; Heller Gender Working Group
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Linda Bond, ljgbond@brandeis.edu

KEYNOTE PERFORMANCE
Performance of “Freedom Underfoot”
With Germaine Ingram, civil rights lawyer and jazz tap dancer
Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2:00-3:20 p.m. (performance), 3:30-4:30 p.m. (talkback)
Shapiro Campus Center Theater
See page 3 for full description.

This keynote event is part of the Student Support Services Program’s 25th Anniversary Celebration and is co-sponsored by Brandeis Posse and the minor in Creativity, the Arts and Social Transformation.
SUPPORTING YOUTH-LED SOCIAL JUSTICE ORGANIZATIONS
Tuesday, Feb. 2, 4:30-6:00 p.m.
International Lounge, Usdan Student Center

Organizations like Black Lives Matter and Occupy often prefer horizontal structures that aren’t hierarchical and/or don’t conform to traditional nonprofit (501c3) statuses. Even the most progressive social justice-oriented foundations often require 501c3 nonprofit status for funding purposes. Some organizations say they don’t want support from large foundations, for fear that their missions will be compromised. How can funders and activists ensure that these vital organizations become sustainable, powerful and influential, given this incongruity? We will hear from young activists and progressive funders on these questions.

SPONSORED BY: Brandeis Student Union; Sillerman Center for the Advancement of Philanthropy
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Bethlehem S. Belaineh, bseifu@brandeis.edu

STEP INSIDE MY HEAD
Tuesday, Feb. 2, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Alumni Lounge, Usdan Student Center

If one in four college students has a diagnosable mental illness, why do I feel so alone? Although these experiences are common, mental illness is hard for people to talk about due to overwhelming shame and stigma. Join us as we start the conversation. Students are invited to share their struggles, triumphs and stories of support to empower themselves and build a community of understanding and encouragement. By breaking the silence that surrounds mental illness, we can help make our campus safer, healthier and more just. Members of the Psychological Counseling Center will be present to provide assistance and information to any student who would like it. Refreshments will be served.

SPONSORED BY: Active Minds at Brandeis; Brandeis Psychological Counseling Center
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Cassidy Tatun, ctatun@brandeis.edu

PERSPECTIVES ON HOUSING INSECURITY
Tuesday, Feb. 2, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Shapiro Campus Center Multipurpose Room

Decent, stable housing provides families with a sense of security and the ability to pursue educational and job opportunities. Yet the world is experiencing a global housing crisis, and around 827.6 million people worldwide live in urban slums. Join us for a discussion on the implications of housing insecurity in our community and worldwide. We will hear from artists and advocates on myths and facts, the importance of the arts and how anyone can take steps to mitigate the issue.

SPONSORED BY: Habitat for Humanity; Hunger and Homelessness
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Sofia Lavrentyeva, slavren@brandeis.edu
CREATIVE APPROACHES TO CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION
A Conversation with Germaine Ingram and Cindy Cohen
Wednesday, Feb. 3, noon-2:00 p.m.
Location: See go.brandeis.edu/DEISImpact for the exact location in the Heller School

Civil rights lawyer and jazz tap dancer Germaine Ingram joins Cindy Cohen, director of Brandeis’ Peacebuilding and the Arts program, to discuss how creativity and the arts can transform conflict by fostering capacities required for peace: receptivity, creativity, imagination, compassion and the ability to embrace paradox. In times of destruction and war, the power of creativity can counteract the demonization of the enemy, bear witness to suffering and draw the world’s attention to those whose rights have been abused. Pizza will be served.

SPONSORED BY: The minor in Creativity, the Arts and Social Transformation; Heller’s Coexistence and Conflict and Sustainable International Development programs
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Sandra Jones, joness@brandeis.edu

WHAT DEFINES YOUR NATIONALITY? DOMINICAN REPUBLIC’S MASS HAITIAN DEPORTATION CONFLICT
Wednesday, Feb. 3, 5:00-6:30 p.m.
Lurias, Hassenfeld Conference Center (Upper Sherman)

Current immigration policies in the Dominican Republic have affected the lives of so many Haitians. The place of Haitians in the Dominican Republic has been in the news of late due to the September 2013 ruling of the Dominican constitutional court that people born to illegal migrants do not have a right to citizenship — even if they were born and lived in the country all their lives. This court decision sparked an international outcry, and the Dominican government was denounced for its “Negrophobia,” given that the ruling disproportionately affects people of Haitian descent. As the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees then warned, the court’s decision “may deprive tens of thousands of people of nationality, virtually all of them of Haitian descent.” We bring this international conflict to the table to discuss nationality, immigration policy and identity.

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KEYNOTE ADDRESS
The Law and the Stage: Platforms for Pursuing Social Justice
With Germaine Ingram, civil rights lawyer and jazz tap dancer
Wednesday, Feb. 3, 7:30-9:00 p.m.
Shapiro Campus Center Theater
See page 3 for full description.

This keynote event is part of the Student Support Services Program’s 25th Anniversary Celebration and is co-sponsored by Brandeis Posse and the minor in Creativity, the Arts and Social Transformation.
THE IMMIGRANT EXPERIENCE AT BRANDEIS
Thursday, Feb. 4, noon-9:00 p.m.
Shapiro Campus Center Atrium

What are the dangers of a single story? The immigrant experience is often categorized into one narrative. However, each individual’s experience is unique. In the U.S., there are immigrants from many countries, socioeconomic backgrounds, races, religions and personal experiences. Through the use of a photo installation paired with a short film, this event will provide a platform for those individuals at Brandeis who are connected to the immigrant experience to share their varied stories.

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EXPLORING SOCIAL JUSTICE IN THE BRANDEIS CLASSROOM AND BEYOND:
COURSES, INTERNSHIPS AND CAREERS
Thursday, Feb. 4, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Shapiro Campus Center, Room 313

Join us for a lively, interactive discussion led by your peers about weaving social justice into what you do at Brandeis and beyond. Learn how you can explore and pursue your interest in social justice while at Brandeis through your courses, internships and extracurriculars, as well as after Brandeis in your career and volunteer work. Together, we will discuss how to make a difference, even if your major or internship is not obviously tied to social justice. Light refreshments will be served.

SPONSORED BY: Brandeis Legal Studies Department; Health: Society, Science and Policy Program
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THE BUSINESS CASE FOR SOCIAL IMPACT
Thursday, Feb. 4, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Panel: SCC Theater
Break out rooms: Geller, Levine-Ross, Lurias (Upper Sherman), SCC 314 and 315

We challenge the notion that businesses are just about making money. Business is a medium for social impact. In the for-profit sector, you have the ability to help people, monetize your passion, solve problems and create cultural change. Join us for our panel discussion with high-profile business professionals as they describe the impact of their work. Then continue the discussion with a panelist of your choice in a small living room conversation immediately after the panel.

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‘DEIS Impact College

Sit in on open sessions of courses taught by faculty representing a spectrum of disciplines but a common goal: grounding college students’ passion for changing the world in solid theory. Join us for this showcase of academic engagement with social justice.

*Location: All classes will be held in the Shapiro Campus Center Multipurpose Room.*

**THURSDAY, FEB. 4**

11:00-11:50 a.m.  Social Justice in the Writing of Women of Color: an open session of ENG 197b, “Within the Veil: African-American and Muslim Women’s Writing,” with Aliyyah Abdur-Rahman

Noon-12:50 p.m.  Sacco and Vanzetti, The Trial of the Century: an open session of AMST 100b, “20th-Century American Culture,” with Thomas Doherty

2:00-3:20 p.m.  The Potential, the Limits and the Tragedy of Due Process of Law: Baker v. Carr and DeShaney v. Winnebago Co.: an open session of LGLS 116b, “Civil Liberties: Constitutional Debates,” with Daniel Breen

3:30-4:50 p.m.  Al Qaeda before 9/11: an Open Session of POL 160a, “The War on Global Terrorism,” with Jytte Klausen

5:00-6:20 p.m.  Religious Symbols in a Secular Public: The Case of the Islamic Veil: an open session of ANTH 118a, “Secularism, Religion and Modernity,” with Hikmet Kocamaner

**FRIDAY, FEB. 5:**

9:30-10:50 a.m.  Social Justice Through the Eyes of Women Playwrights: an open session of THA 142b, “Women Playwrights: Writing for the Stage by and About Women,” with Adrianne Krstansky

11:00 a.m.-12:20 p.m.  Is “Social Justice” a Mirage? A discussion of Friedrich Hayek’s critique of social justice: An open session of POL 187b: Conservative Political Thought,” with Bernard Yack

For more information on these courses, check the course listings at brandeis.edu/registrar.
"BEST KEPT SECRET": TRANSITIONING TO ADULTHOOD FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS
Thursday, Feb. 4, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Location: See go.brandeis.edu/DEISImpact for the exact location in Heller School

This deeply moving but unsentimental film focuses on the work of JFK High School in Newark, N.J., to help students with autism transition to adulthood. The staff are not content to just give these students survival skills. They fight a tough, daily battle to open students up to the world. As teacher Janet Mino puts it, “If I can teach you to take care of yourself ... I can teach you to express yourself.” JFK High just may be one of the country’s best-kept secrets. Join us for a screening of this amazing story, followed by a panel discussion focusing on transition issues for young people with special needs. Snacks, too!

SPONSORED BY: Lurie Institute for Disability Policy; Department of Education; Brandeis Buddies; SPECTRUM; Brandeis Students for Disability Activism
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FRIDAY February 5

HOPE INTO PRACTICE, JEWISH WOMEN CHOOSING JUSTICE DESPITE OUR FEARS
Friday, Feb. 5, 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Mandel Center for the Humanities Reading Room (303)

Penny Rosenwasser’s interactive talk about her book “Hope Into Practice: Jewish Women Choosing Justice Despite Our Fears” is about human liberation, relating to all faith traditions. She advocates for confronting racism and anti-Semitism and for changing unfair systems by using stories from women and trans folks and drawing on Jewish ethical tradition. It’s about using privilege to shift power: an activist’s call to repair the world. Rosenwasser touches on Jewish multiculturalism and resistance to persecution, recovery from internalized victimization, human rights in Israel-Palestine, activism, alliance-building and, ultimately, choosing justice despite our fears. Join the Q&A and discussion focused on exploring complexities and engaging activism. Refreshments will be served.

SPONSORED BY: Peace, Conflict and Coexistence Studies
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GLOBAL RACISM OR GLOBAL IGNORANCE: THE NARRATIVE OF COLOR WHILE STUDYING ABROAD
Friday, Feb. 5, 4:00-5:30 p.m.
International Lounge, Usdan Student Center

This event will open up dialogue about perceptions of race across the globe and the realistic encounters one may face while abroad. The panel consists of students of color who have previously studied abroad in predominantly white countries. What does social justice mean while abroad and while abroad as a minority? Ultimately, we are holistically preparing all students to enter into new countries and grapple with issues of race so that they can have the most satisfying experience abroad.

SPONSORED BY: Brandeis Black Student Organization; Brandeis-India Fellowship; South Asian Studies Department
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CONSENT AND COOKIES: BUILDING CONSENT CONFIDENCE WITH YANA TALLON-HICKS
Friday, Feb. 5, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Shapiro Campus Center Multipurpose Room

Most consent education fails to illustrate what good communication really looks like: What words do I use? How do I say no? How do I accept a no gracefully? They say “consent is sexy,” but how do I make it so? This interactive workshop brings to life practical communication tools and techniques via decorating and eating sugar cookies, thereby making learning about consent both valuable and tasty! Participants will leave equipped to break down common barriers standing in the way of creating a culture of consent and equality on our campuses and in our bedrooms.

SPONSORED BY: Global Perspectives Leader Scholar Community; Brandeis Students for Reproductive Justice; Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies
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THE CURRICULUM OF SOCIAL JUSTICE: A LOOK INSIDE FACING HISTORY
Saturday, Feb. 6, 2:00-3:30 p.m.
Shapiro Campus Center, Room 313

Become a student of social justice for the day! Facing History and Ourselves is a global organization that focuses on providing a comprehensive social justice education to high schoolers around the world. This event will open with a panel discussion by Facing History educators, employees and students about their experiences with the curriculum. Join them in a lesson and discussion on the place of social justice in education. Where have there been examples of social justice and education mixing in the past? Is there a need for social justice education now? This workshop asks participants to think critically about the past, themselves and the future. Refreshments will be served.

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DANCING UPON FLAMES
Saturday, Feb. 6, Session 1: 3:00-4:30 p.m.; Session 2: 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Shapiro Campus Center Multipurpose Room

Every day, we have access to media outlets that produce endless broadcasts on the atrocities of war. We are bombarded by images, sounds and phrases that have desensitized us to the reality of violence and war. Ever wondered about our positions in relation to modern day war? Dancing Upon Flames will use the interaction of dance, images and sound in order to explore how we negotiate a war-torn world as global bystanders. As you are taught a dance, we will travel from a world without violence to one with it, in this interactive experience. Together, we will attempt to make sense of ourselves and what is required of us as global bystanders.

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NEW MEDIA FOR THE GREATER GOOD WITH JACKSON BIRD
Saturday, Feb. 6, 4:30-6:00 p.m.
Levine-Ross, Hassenfeld Conference Center (Upper Sherman)

What does it mean to be an activist of our generation? What can we do to make others care about the causes that we fight so hard for? The power and influence of social media grows exponentially, and we want our Brandeis community to know how it can be implemented. Join us for a discussion with Jackson Bird, communications director for the national Harry Potter Alliance, video creator and speaker on fan activism. He will share his experiences engaging young adults in social justice causes and help us gain a deeper understanding of how new media can be used for positive change. Refreshments will be served.

SPONSORED BY: Harry Potter Alliance: Imagine Better
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DIVERSITY ON DISPLAY: PERSPECTIVES IN DIVERSITY RELATIONS
Event: Saturday, Feb. 6, 7:30-9:00 p.m.
Location: See go.brandeis.edu/DEISImpact
Display: Friday, Jan. 29-Sunday, Feb. 7, all day
Shapiro Campus Center Atrium

See page 7 for full description.

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‘DEIS IMPACT AFTER-PARTY
Saturday, Feb. 6, 9:30-10:30 p.m.
Chum’s Coffee House

Join us as we conclude ‘DEIS Impact week with our final event! Come and celebrate all that we have accomplished as a community through this week of social justice and what we will all do in the future to have a lasting impact. The party will feature music, food and, of course, our amazing and passionate event coordinators as well as your ‘DEIS Impacters. All are welcome.
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TAKE ACTION

Special Online Feature

“How Should I Choose My Commitments to Causes?” It is impossible for any one person to commit to taking action on every meaningful issue. DEIS Impact alone features many social justice-related events in a week. So how does an interested individual decide where, whom and how to help? Leah Igalsky ’14 considers this question in a special “Ethical Inquiry” on the Ethics Center’s website at go.brandeis.edu/EthicalInquiry_ChoosingCauses.

MAKE AN IMPACT

Share Your Story and Learn from Others

Contribute to and learn from the Brandeis legacy of social justice professionals by sharing your personal story, professional path and career advice with current students and alumni. As a student, share your internship experiences through the Brandeis Internship Exchange at go.brandeis.edu/internshipexchange and read what others have contributed. As an alum, participate in Hiatt’s career-related volunteer opportunities at go.brandeis.edu/impactofone and become involved with your local alumni chapter to expand your network. To learn more, contact Alexandra Anweiler Stephens, Hiatt’s associate director of alumni engagement, at 781-736-3623 or astephens@brandeis.edu.

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For directions, visit brandeis.edu/directions.html.

Free parking is available behind Spingold Theater in T-lot.

Handicapped-accessible parking spaces are in the lower lot adjacent to Slosberg Music Center and throughout campus. The Shapiro Campus Center information booth is ‘DEIS Impact headquarters. Stop in for information about event locations, up-to-the-minute changes, more program booklets, lost and found, etc.
What will be different because of this `DEIS Impact Week?`

How will I be different?

What specific actions can I take now to engage more with these issues?