

Dear Maxwell Community,

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Maxwell DEIA Spotlight: Jessica Terry-Elliott

Jessica is a Ph.D. candidate in History here at the Maxwell School. Her doctoral research focuses on the methodologies that make up Black Archival Practices in the city of Syracuse to reveal the complexities about how Black life was/is documented and remembered. As the mother of two beautiful boys, Robert and Roman, highlighting the humanity and complexity of Black Life is the framework of her work.

She is a co-curator of the archival exhibition, [A Love Supreme: Black Cultural Expression and Political Activism of the 1960s and 1970s](#) which will run until **January 2024** at the Community Folk Art Center. This is an archival exhibition that looks at grassroots political activism of Black Students on Syracuse 's campus of the late 1960s. The display also features an interpretation of a Black family photo wall which acts as a site of memory, community, and everyday life, but more than anything else, LOVE. As an extension of this project, Jessica is also one of the organizers of Family Pictures Syracuse, which runs at the Everson Museum from October 13-15. In addition to curatorial work, Jessica is a co-founder of the Turning the Lens Collective, which aims to begin the reparative archival work necessary to expand the historical narrative of the Salt City, paying special attention to the preservation of Black Life.

Jessica is a lifelong resident and advocate for the Syracuse community. That passion and her commitment to education led her to author the African American History curriculum, adopted by the Syracuse City School District, and the development of the “Pathway to Resistance” curriculum adopted by the Erie Canal Museum.

FAMILY PICTURES SYRACUSE



Contribute to an archive of our
community's everyday history!

#FamilyPicturesSyracuse

OCTOBER 13 - 15, 2023

All events are free and open to the public!



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13TH | 6:00PM

FILM SCREENING

*Through a Lens Darkly: Black Photographers
and the Emergence of a People* (2014)

Q&A with director
Thomas Allen Harris to follow



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14TH | 9:00AM-2:00PM

FAMILY PHOTO-SHARE DAY!

- Contribute to the community archive!
- Record the stories behind your family photographs!
- Pose for a portrait!
- Digitize your old family photos!
- Learn more about photo preservation!
- Educational opportunities for children!
- Connect with fellow community members!



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15TH | 2:00PM

GRAND FINALE CELEBRATION

Hosted by Thomas Allen Harris
Featuring live music, poetry, storytelling,
and your photographs!

EVERSON MUSEUM

401 Harrison St.
Syracuse, NY 13202

Questions?

Call: (315) 741-5706

Email: FamilyPicturesSyracuse@gmail.com



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Diversity and Inclusion Events

[Click here for Diversity and Inclusion Campus Event Information](#)

Sneak Peek at Some Upcoming event:

- ❖ [Thursday Morning Roundtable \(TMR\): Hamid Ekbia](#)
October 5, 2023 at 8:00am – 9:00am EDT (Virtual)
- ❖ [Latine Heritage Month Celebration](#)
September 15 – October 15, 2023 (Campus Wide)

LGBTQ History Month Celebration

Join us this October as the [LGBTQ Resource Center](#) unveils a [calendar](#) that explores LGBTQ and global communities through an intersectional lens. Our official kickoff is on **Monday, Oct. 2**.

LGBTQ History Month, established by Rodney Wilson in 1994, has become a vital part of recognizing LGBTQ contributions and history. This month coincides with National Coming Out Day on Oct. 11 and the anniversary of the first march on Washington for gay and lesbian rights in 1979.

Throughout October, the LGBTQ Resource Center is offering a range of educational and social events, discussions, and more to help you learn about and celebrate the LGBTQIA+ community. This month supports our ongoing efforts to raise awareness, offer support, and promote inclusion on campus and beyond.

In a time when anti-LGBTQ bills threaten our community, it's crucial to educate ourselves about our history and future.

Explore Highlights:

[Mix It Up: LGBTQ Across the World](#) (October 6)

[National Coming Out Day: Chalk the Quad and Tie-Dye](#) (October 11)

[Latine Heritage Month and Fifth Annual LGBTQ History Month Potash Keynote: Salina EsTitties](#) (October 19)

[Vogue Workshop](#) (October 20)

[HolloQueen Ball](#) (October 21)

Don't miss your chance to be part of the [Queer and Trans Solidarity List](#) for 2023-24. Join us and help strengthen support within our campus communities.

****Submit your name by 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 8, to be included.**

For more details or accommodation requests, contact the LGBTQ Resource Center at 315.443.0228 or lgbtq@syr.edu.

Affinity Groups

Maxwell is home to few different affinity groups for faculty and staff. These school-wide groups bring together individuals with similar identities to provide community and additional mentoring and to empower them during their time in Maxwell. They are intended to complement similar groups across the broader campus and aim to fill gaps to ensure we are creating an environment where everyone feels they belong.

To learn about existing groups in Maxwell or join them, please contact:

Faculty of Color

Junko Takeda (jtakeda@syr.edu), Devashish Mitra (dmitra@syr.edu)

Staff of Color

Stephanie Williams (sdwillia@syr.edu)

Syracuse University offers campus-wide resources for community-building within the Intercultural Collective at the Schine Student Center—including the [Office of Multicultural Affairs](#), [the Disability Cultural Center](#), and the [LGBTQ Resource Center](#).

Students are also encouraged to inquire within Maxwell's academic departments for a range of involvement opportunities, including clubs, honor societies, Living Learning Communities, and more.

For more information, please visit our [Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Resources Page](#)

See something missing, please visit [How to Establish an Affinity Group](#)