International Mother Language Day Celebration
Sunday, February 21, 2021

Opening Remarks – 12:00pm

Signing Black in America – 12:15pm
● Screening of Signing Black in America, a Language & Life Project documentary about the unique dialect of American Sign Language (ASL) that developed within historically segregated African American Deaf communities
● Discussion to follow

Speaker Panel – 1:30pm
● Aris Clemons, Ph.D. Candidate (University of Texas at Austin)
  Linguistics in a hyperracialized society: Fostering an ethos of anti-racism in language research
● Dr. Rebecca Mercado-Jones (Oakland University)
  Stop the Shit: Empowering (Alternative) Languages
● Panel discussion to follow

Student Showcase – 3:00pm
● A showcase of projects by Oakland University students

Closing Remarks – 4:00pm

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