

I AM WE ARE 20th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

1:00-2:30

Arrival, registration, set up for workshops

Kresge Lobby

2:30-4:30

PARTICIPATORY WORKSHOPS (OPEN TO STUDENTS)

Understanding Ubuntu

Neo Moroka '05

Kresge Studio

Social Justice Theatre Intensive

Vanita Vactor

Black Box Theatre

Limited to 16 students.

Alumni may observe.

5:00-7:00

I AM WE ARE CHECK-IN AND WARM-UP

Kresge Studio

I Am We Are members and alumni come together to “set the stage” for the weekend ahead. Alumni! Come share your story with us, then join in a rousing I Am We Are warm-up!

7:00-11:00

DRESS REHEARSAL

IAWA Twin Cities Alumni
IAWA Troupe
Anniversary Ensemble

Anderson Theatre

OR DINNER ON YOUR OWN

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

9:00-11:30

Registration, refreshments, and campus tours

Hosted by members of the Diversity Leadership Council

Diversity Center

10:30-12:00

PARTICIPATORY WORKSHOPS (OPEN TO STUDENTS)

Games for Actors and Non-Actors

Evan Hilsabeck '09 and Chris Bacon '07

Kresge Studio

Laughtivism: Comedy and Social Justice

Michael J. Sielaff '08

The Dive

Acting After College: How To Take Action and Get Cast in the “Real World”

Jessica Risco '02

FAC 219

12:15-2:00

SOCIAL JUSTICE SOUP - LUNCH THEATRE

Heritage Room

Sponsored by the Gustavus Diversity Center

Soup and sandwiches for registered participants. Students from the Social Justice Theatre class present monologues drawn from interviews on the subject of “Social Justice” (about 45 minutes). Time for networking.

OR

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Vanita Vactor

Black Box Theatre

2:15-4:00

CAREER PANEL: LIFE AFTER I AM WE ARE

Alumni share the connections between their work with the troupe, and the remarkable spectrum of their work in the world. Participants include: Heather Nielsen '99, Sedrick Hawkins '96, Emanda Thomas '02, Matt Swenson '06, Brian Evans '07, Lillie Hollingsworth '08, Rhea Muchalla LeGrande '09, Megan Myhre '11, Elizabeth Coco '12, Julia Tindell '13, Karla Leitzman '13, and other alumni from our workshops and panels. Moderated by Virgil Jones, Gustavus Director of Diversity and Co-Advisor of I Am We Are 2006-2011.

Heritage Room

4:15-6:00

THE BEGINNINGS OF I AM WE ARE: PANEL AND RECEPTION

Sponsored by the Gustavus Alumni Association and Hosted by Glen Lloyd

Original advisor for I Am We Are, Dr. Vanita Vactor and first Gustavus Director of I Am We Are, Denise Iverson-Payne, will speak about the foundation of the group.

Participants include Amber Shockey Nurmi '97, Niki Hayes '98, Zahilya Austin '99, June S. Phillips '99, Shantea Wilson '99, and Heather Redinius-Tollefson '99.

Followed by Refreshments and Conversations

Interpretive Center

6:15-7:30

"FIRST CLASS" ALUMNI DINNER**

Heather Redinius-Tollefson, Niki Hayes, Amber Nurmi and other members of the foundational first classes taught by Dr. Vanita Vactor, host a lovely meal. ALL alumni and friends are invited to join us!

(**This dinner is NOT free and pre-registration/payment *is* required.)

Interpretive Center

8:00-10:30

WE WERE, WE ARE – A Collaboration of New and Vintage Works by I Am We Are

Developed by Amy Seham, Brian Evans '07, and Sam Keillor '17, with:

I Am We Are 2015-16

The Anniversary Ensemble Class

The Twin Cities Alumni Troupe

and other Alumni Guest Stars

Anderson Theatre

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

11:00-12:30

I AM WE ARE CHECK-OUT

Students and alumni share thoughts about the past, present and future of I Am We Are
Bagels, juice, coffee provided

Kresge Studio

2:00

WE WERE, WE ARE—SPECIAL MATINEE

If you are unable to attend the show on Saturday, you are welcome to attend the special matinee on Sunday. Members of the Gustavus Diversity Leadership Council will lead a talk-back following the performance. Free tickets available at gustavustickets.com or at the Campus Activities Desk.

Anderson Theatre