Library to celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s birthday and Black History Month
Congresswoman Joyce Beatty to make a special appearance

COLUMBUS—Columbus Metropolitan Library (CML) will celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s birthday with a program at its Martin Luther King Branch this Saturday. Then, in February, CML will celebrate Black History Month with informative, fun and musical events throughout its 23-location system.

On Monday, Feb. 3 at 10 a.m., Congresswoman Joyce Beatty will participate in a Black History Month program at Main Library called Snapshots from History. The Congresswoman will discuss the experiences that inspired her. Plus, historic reenactor Anthony Gibbs will take participants back in time to witness the struggles, sacrifices and service of the Tuskegee Airmen.

Click here for a full schedule of events with dates, times and locations. For more information, visit columbuslibrary.org/events.

All CML locations will be closed on Monday, Jan. 20 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Columbus Metropolitan Library has served the people of Franklin County, Ohio since 1873. With its Main Library and 22 branches, CML is well known for signature services and programs like Homework Help, Reading Buddies, Summer Reading Challenge and Ready for Kindergarten. The library’s Strategic Plan supports the vision of “a thriving community where wisdom prevails,” which positions CML to respond to areas of urgent need: kids unprepared for kindergarten, third grade reading proficiency, high school graduation, college and career readiness and employment resources.

CML was named a 2011 National Medal Winner by the Institute for Museum and Library Services for work in community service, the highest honor for libraries and museums. CML was also named 2010 Library of the Year by Library Journal.

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