

The Spot - This Week

Black History Month Kicks Off Scholarship Deadlines Birth of Soul Premiere Adobe Agreement with IU

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[A. Hart] Hi. I'm Amanda Hart, your host for the January 28th edition of IUPUI's The Spot. The deadline for fall-based admission scholarships is just around the corner! Be sure to turn in your applications by February 1st for consideration. More information about the application process and other scholarships can be found at iupui.edu/finaid.

Black History Month is almost here! Start the celebration off right by joining CCL and the Black Student Union at a kickoff celebration filled with food and fun. You can join them from 11-1pm on January 29th in Campus Center Room 450. The Spot spoke with Tiffany Reed, president of the Black Student Union, to hear more about this special month.

[T. Reed] During Black History Month we put on 90 percent of Black History Month's events. First we start off with our annual Black History Month kick off, which is January 29th from 11-1pm in Campus Center 450. That's where we're going to have all of the African American or African descent organizations there to display their boards, some students mingle, and display what Black History Month really means.

Our Black History Month theme this year is Black History 365, 365 days. We went with that theme this year to basically understand that black history just doesn't stop in February, but it continues throughout the year.

We have Images in Black, which is a couple of stereotypes or perceptions that African Americans in the media, and it's a good way that we can talk about those things - what can we do as a community and as college students on this campus to prevent those stereotypes and to stop them from going. Images in Black is February 5th, and that will be in Taylor Hall from 6-8 in UC 115.

To get more information you can either come to CCL and speak with Nicole Oglesby who is over multicultural student engagement or check out our Web site at www.iupui.edu/blacksu.

[A. Hart] IUPUI's very own LaTasha Strahan stars as the lead character, Maggie Witsum, and the Artistic Director of "Birth of Soul." Birth of Soul is an original musical stage play designed with a comical script that's educational and entertaining. The play is scheduled to open at Madame Walker Theatre and will tour Indianapolis and the Midwest. Visit Madame Walker Theatre on Friday, January 30th at 8pm to watch the musical montage. Tickets can be purchased through Ticketmaster.

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How do you think the first 100 days of the president's time in office should be spent? This small amount of time can foreshadow a president's policies for America during the next four years. Join Democracy Plaza from 12-1pm on Thursday, January 29th at the Campus Center Edutainment to discuss your opinions about Obama's First 100 Days.

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Adobe software can now be downloaded for free by IUPUI students. We talked with Ted Walker, Communication Specialist at UITS, to discuss the agreement.

[T. Walker] Well, IU entered into the strategic software agreement just as a way to provide the Adobe Suite of products at a low cost for students, faculty and staff to maximize the goals of the university. It's a three-year agreement, and faculty, staff and students are allowed to use the software while they are affiliated with IU.

Basically, it benefits faculty staff and students by giving them access at no additional cost to a pretty amazing suite of software products: Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, InDesign, Acrobat and just a whole ton of other stuff. It's easy to take advantage of. You just go to iuware.iu.edu, follow the instructions, and you can download a few of the products individually or download the whole suite. If you want to find out more, go to the knowledge base that's kb.iu.edu, search for Adobe, and you'll find all you need to know about downloading the software instructions and all that. Make sure you take advantage of it. It's a great opportunity.

[A. Hart] The men's basketball team broke its five-game losing streak after a win over IPFW 84-57. The women's team also flew past IPFW with their 70-61 against IPFW. Both teams will be on the road next week. Check them out at <http://www.iupuijags.com>.

That's it for The Spot this week! Check us out next Wednesday for the latest campus news and student activities at jagtv.iupui.edu.

I'm Amanda Hart, and thanks for Spotting us!