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# Andrew Young to Speak at MLK Celebration

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STATESBORO, Ga. – Andrew Young will be the featured speaker at Georgia Southern University’s 2014 MLK Celebration on Wednesday, Jan. 22 at 7 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center (PAC), 847 Plant Drive. The annual celebration to commemorate the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., is sponsored by the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management and the University’s Multicultural Student Center.



*Andrew Young will speak at Georgia Southern’s MLK Celebration on Jan. 22.*

Andrew Young has led a lifetime of public service and worked tirelessly to improve human and civil rights around the world. He has served as the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, U.S. Congressman and Atlanta Mayor. He is a best-selling author and an Emmy-nominated television show producer of “Andrew Young Presents” through the Andrew Young Foundation which works to end racism, war and poverty.

“Our students were drawn to his significance in the civil rights era of Dr. King, and they made Andrew Young their choice to serve as this year’s speaker,” said Dorsey Baldwin, the director of Georgia Southern’s Multicultural Student Center. “Since Andrew Young has an amazing body of work in civil rights along with his success in the public sector and politics, he has an inspiring story to share. This is a great educational opportunity for our students and our University.”

There will be a new addition to this year’s MLK Celebration. Georgia Southern students will participate in an essay contest that will focus on the 50th anniversary of the March on Washington. “This will be an evening for our students, faculty, staff and community to hear about the civil rights movement firsthand from someone who made history,” said Baldwin.

This is a free event, and tickets will not be distributed; however, seating is limited. Doors open at 6 p.m. and close at 6:45 p.m.

If you are interested in asking Andrew Young a question after his speech, tweet [#askAndrewYoung](#) or email the question to [msc@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:msc@georgiasouthern.edu) with “Ask Andrew Young” in the subject line.

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