



## **We would like to formally invite you to join Montana State University Billings in celebrating the spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**

Please help us to celebrate the vision of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. during the Power of One Week, on January 19-22, 2015. The Power of One Week has been a tradition on our campus for many years. It is a week dedicated to increasing awareness of diversity, social justice, and inclusivity. This year MSUB will once again be the host of many events and activities. Attached to this email is a full calendar of events. Below you will find descriptions of a few of the highlights for the week.

### **Promotional Video**

Check out the student created promotional video for Power of One Week [here](#).

### **Freedom Writers Screening**

*Tuesday, January 20 at 6pm in Petro Theatre*

Freedom Writers (2007) stars Hilary Swank as Erin Gruwell, a young teacher, who inspires her high school class of at-risk students to learn tolerance, apply themselves, and pursue education beyond high school (IMDb.com).

View the trailer for the movie [here](#).

### **Erin Gruwell Lecture & Book Signing**

*Tuesday, January 20 at 8pm in Petro Theatre*

Following the screening of Freedom Writers, join us in welcoming Erin Gruwell, the woman who inspired the movie. During her lecture, she will share her story and hold a question and answer session. Ms. Gruwell will also be signing books in the lobby of Petro Theatre following her speaking engagement. Books will be available to purchase at Jackets & Company.

View her TED Talks "[Being a Catalyst for Change](#)" or "[The Freedom Writers](#)."

### **Tunnel of Oppression**

*Thursday, January 22 at 7pm in Petro Hall Lobby*

Tunnel of Oppression strives to give people a way to experience oppression in a hands-on way. By engaging emotions of the participants, it allows for the accounts expressed in the program to be truly effective.

### **Visiting Artist Vanessa German**

*Exhibition Dates: January 14-February 26*

*Discussion & Reception on Wednesday, January 21 at 11:40pm in LA 311*

*Performance & Reception on Wednesday, January 21 at 4:30pm in LA Building Lobby*

Vanessa German is a Pittsburgh-based sculptor, poet, and community activist. She is the 2010 AAP Mendelson Exhibition Award Winner, was included in the 2012 and 2013 Art Basel Miami Beach fairs and recently had a solo exhibition at Pavel Zoubok Gallery in New York City. German hosts an Art House in her community, creating a safe and creative outlet and haven for her neighborhood's children. Recently, Vanessa was featured on the [Meredith Viera Show](#) for her work with the [LoveFrontPorch](#) Project.