2024 Craig Wilson Symposium
Panel Schedule for March 22-23
Montana State University Billings
Glacier Room

Friday, March 22

12:30 pm: Refreshments

1:00 pm: Introduction & welcome to the Craig Wilson Symposium

1:15 pm: Break

1:30 pm: Panel 1
“Democracy, Language, & Propaganda”
• Dr. Sue Balter-Reitz, Department of Communications-MSU Billings
• Dr. Sam Boerboom, Department of Communications-MSU Billings
• Dr. Jay Gentry, Department of English, Philosophy, & Modern Language-MSU Billings
• Dr. Paul Pope, Department of Social Sciences-MSU Billings

2:30 pm: Panel 2
“From Birth to Doubt to Death: Democracies in Historical Perspective”
• Dr. Emily Arendt, Department of History-MSU Billings
• Dr. Cody Patton, Department of History-MSU Billings
• Dr. Tom Rust, Department of History-MSU Billings

3:30 pm: Panel 3
“Islam and the Dilemma of Democracy”
• Dr. Naser Yahya-Instructor MSU Billings
• Dr. Adnan Abullah Rasheed

4:30 pm: Panel 4
“Policing in a Democracy”
• Rich St. John-Chief, Billings Police Department
• Jeffrey Stovall-Sgt, Billings Police Department
• Amanda Helmann-MSUB Student
• Makiah Gotshall-MSUB Student
• Christian Barber-MSUB Student

Saturday, March 23

9:30 am: Refreshments
10:00 am: Panel 5
• Pi Sigma Alpha

11:00 am: Panel 6
“Intolerable Violence and the Original Instructions: A Radical Vision of Peace and Gratitude Through Democratic Institutions”
• Dr. Wendy Felese-MSU Billings
• Patrick Soch

12:00 pm: Break for lunch

2:00 pm: Panel 7
“Tough Conversations about Democracy”
• Jack Jennaway-Billings Chamber of Commerce

7:00 pm: Keynote speaker
(Doors open by 6:30 pm)
• Montana Representative, Zooey Zephyr