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# 100 YEARS OF WOMEN AT VIRGINIA TECH

## ***Planning is underway for the annual Women's Month celebration at Virginia Tech.***

In March 2022, the Women's Month theme is **The First 100 Years of Women at Virginia Tech**. In 1921, Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute admitted the first women students as Mary Ella Carr Brumfield (biology), Ruth Terrett (civil engineering), Lucy Lee Lancaster (biology), Louise Jacobs (chemistry), and Carrie Taylor Sibold (biology) enrolled full-time. On the eve of Virginia Tech's Sesquicentennial, Women's Month 2022 celebrates this milestone, reflects on the advancements women have made over the past century, and imagines the next 100 years for women at VT.

Women's Month recognizes, affirms, and showcases the achievements, concerns, and diversity of women. A feminist perspective — one that encourages and advances women of all races, political affiliations, national origins, religions, ages, abilities, sexual orientations, gender identities, and income levels — underlies all our programming. The annual event occurs in March in conjunction with the National Women's History Month.

Women's Month has historically represented Virginia Tech's broad commitment to celebrating diverse and inclusive communities. To honor this ongoing commitment, the Women's Month 2022 calendar will include programs and events aligned with the Virginia Tech Principles of Community.

The Women's Center invites you to submit a program for inclusion in the Women's Month calendar. The **Women's Month 2022: The First 100 Years of Women at Virginia Tech** calendar will be distributed widely throughout the university, surrounding communities, and online digitally.

The deadline for program submissions is Friday, February 4th, 2022 by 11:59 p.m. EST. Please submit your program proposal by clicking [here](#).

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Anna LoMascolo, co-director for programming, at [alomasco@vt.edu](mailto:alomasco@vt.edu).

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***Did you know?** Women students did not appear in the The Bugle as members of their class until 1947. VT's earliest women students created their own handmade yearbook titled The Tin Horn. Copies of The Tin Horn are available in Special Collections at Newman Library.*

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### Enjoy Steven White's Doodle of VT's First Five Full-time Women Students



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### Kids' Night Out resumes

Kids' Night Out returns Thursday, January 27th, 2022! This free childcare program is offered for graduate student families. We provide a fun evening of play, crafts, movies (and a snack!) each Thursday night while classes are in session from 6:30-8pm. Kids must be toilet trained and masked. Childcare is provided by volunteers from the Chi Delta Alpha Service Sorority.

Look for a unique sign-up link every Monday on the [Women's Center website](#). Enrollment



is on a first come/first served basis. For additional information contact Jessie Meltsner at [jmelts@vt.edu](mailto:jmelts@vt.edu)

## Caregiver Support



### Web-based Resources for Caregivers at Virginia Tech

In Virginia Tech's continuing effort to address the growing concerns among faculty, staff, and students regarding the availability of affordable quality child care and early education and adult care, a new [Caregiving Resources website](#) has been created. You can visit the site for information, resources, FAQs, and the latest news about VT's caregiving efforts.

Also, as part of the Early Childhood Education Initiative, check our [upcoming programs of interest](#).

### Women's Center to offer Trauma-Informed Movement Workshops this spring

Muriel Vinson, Advocacy Coordinator at the Women's Center, will lead participants in this practice of gentle slow movement, deep breathing and meditation. Yoga mats, blocks and blankets will be provided. Workshops will be held February 8th and 16th at 5:30PM at the Women's Center.

For more information, you may contact [Muriel](#) at the Women's Center.

**TRAUMA INFORMED  
KEMETI MOVEMENT  
MEDITATION**

RESTORATIVE EMBODIMENT TO  
SOUNDS OF THE AFRICAN DIASPORA

FEB. 8TH & 16TH	5:30 PM
WOMEN'S CENTER   LOWER LEVEL	

Yoga Mats, Blocks & Blankets Provided

If you are an individual with a disability and desire an accommodation, please contact Muriel Vinson at [muriel2@vt.edu](mailto:muriel2@vt.edu) or 540-231-7806 during regular business hours at least 7 business days prior to the event.

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## EBONY WOMEN *of* EXCELLENCE

Need a safe community that allows for authenticity, empathy and relevant problem solving, specific to your experience?  
This Group Is For You!



SPRING 22 DATES    FEBRUARY 17TH, MARCH 17TH, APRIL 21ST  
 TIME                    6PM - 7:15PM  
 LOCATION            BLACK CULTURAL CENTER, SQUIRES

For more information and to make an accommodation request, visit [womenscenter.vt.edu/ewoe](http://womenscenter.vt.edu/ewoe).

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STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES & ACHIEVEMENT RESOURCES PROGRAM  
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## Ebony Women of Excellence resumes in February!

Ebony Women of Excellence is a support group for women providing a safe community of peers that allows for authenticity, empathy, and relevant problem solving, specific to their experience as Black women. Our mission is to empower, inspire, and liberate Black women so that they may thrive in their fullest expression of truth, power, and embodiment. Spring dates are 2/17, 3/17 and 4/21. This group is a collaborative effort of SOAR, the Women's Center at Virginia Tech, and the Black Cultural Center.

For more information, you may contact Muriel Vinson or Shannon Alford of the Women's Center.

## Compensated Co-Researcher Opportunities for Students

Dr. Emily Satterwhite, associate professor and the director of Appalachian Studies in the Department of Religion and Culture, is seeking research assistance for a door-to-door environmental justice study in Lafayette/Elliston, VA, during spring semester 2022. Compensation is \$15/hour or course credit, in addition to travel reimbursement. Please share through your networks and direct interested students to email [satterwhite@vt.edu](mailto:satterwhite@vt.edu) ASAP and prior to January 28, 2022.



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## Upcoming Events and Opportunities

**THE BLACK CULTURAL CENTER**  
SPEAKER SERIES

# VT TABLE TALKS

**BCC LUNCH & LEARN WITH ANDREA BALDWIN**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 2022**  
**12:00PM (NOON)**

**MLK Celebration**  
BCC, 126 SQUIRES STUDENT CENTER

VIRGINIA TECH OFFICE OF INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY PRESENTS THE...

## 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL FACULTY WOMEN OF COLOR IN THE ACADEMY NATIONAL CONFERENCE

▶ **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

DR. ROXANE GAY    NIKOLE HANNAH-JONES    NORMA V. CANTÚ

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CRYSTAL GATEWAY MARIOTT  
1700 S EADS ST.  
ARLINGTON, VA 22202

▶ **LEADERSHIP PANEL**

DR. KA YEE C LEE    DR. IRMA BECERRA    DR. CAROLYN HODGES    CARRIE L. BILLY, J.D.

▶ **SCHOLARS CONVERSATION**

DR. BONNIE THORNTON DILL    DR. RUTH ZAMBRANA

This year's conference will also include: Networking Socials, Wellness Facilitations, Vendors, Awards Banquet, and Workshops

Submit your workshop proposal starting **August 15th**  
Early Bird Registration opens **September 1st**

If you have any questions, please email us at [fwca@vt.edu](mailto:fwca@vt.edu)

REGISTER ▶ [www.inclusive.vt.edu/fwca](http://www.inclusive.vt.edu/fwca)

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