



Homecoming Weekend 2023

FRIDAY, OCT. 20, 2023

- 9 a.m.-5 p.m. **Freel Library & Archives Open**
- 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. **Campus Bookstore Open** (Campus Center)
Treat yourself to some new merchandise from your alma mater.
- 2:30-3:30 p.m. **Faculty Lecture on Birds** (Bowman Hall, Room 206)
Professor Dan Shustack will speak about songbirds in the forests of Western Massachusetts.
- 3-4 p.m. **Nursing and Radiology Facility Tour/Presentation** (Hospital – 71 Hospital Avenue)
View the facilities and learn about these two new programs of study.
- 3:30-5 p.m. **Alumni Career Panel for English and Communications Majors** (FCSI, Room 121)
Alumni from various fields will provide information and answer questions for current students and recent grads majoring in English, and showcase what types of careers are possible with this degree.
- 4:30-5:30 p.m. **Student-led Campus Tour** (Smith House steps)
See how the campus has changed since your time as a student and what has remained the same. *Rain or shine*
- 6 p.m. **MCLA Men's Soccer Game vs. Fitchburg State** (Zavattaro Athletic Complex)
Cheer on the Trailblazers as they take on Fitchburg State at home, where the 1973 MCLA MASCAC Championship-winning soccer team will be honored at halftime. Carpooling to this event is encouraged.
- 6 p.m. **CANCELED DUE TO WEATHER** **Classes of 2013 & 2023 Reunion Gathering at MCLA Men's Soccer Game** (Zavattaro Athletic Complex). Members of these class years are instead invited to join us at Saturday morning's Coffee & Conversation event.



SATURDAY, OCT. 21, 2023

- 9-10:30 a.m. **Coffee & Conversation for Affinity Groups** (Sullivan Lounge)
Here's an opportunity to gather with those from groups you were a part of as a student: RAs, WJJW, The Beacon, and peer mentors, to name a few. All alumni and students of any affinity group are welcome!
- 9 a.m.-5 p.m. **Campus Bookstore Open** (Campus Center)
- 10 a.m.-3 p.m. **WJJW Guest DJ Spots** (Radio Station)
Alumni Guest DJs will be spinning all weekend. These sets will be recorded as a podcast for future listening.
- 10-11 a.m. **MCLA MOSAIC Artist-in-Residence Talk** (Bowman Hall, Room 206)
Theater-artist-in-residence Rudy Ramirez will speak about the role of (and their work in) theater as activism and as a change initiator in a time of social upheaval.
- 10:30-11:30 a.m. **Student-led Campus Tour** (Smith House steps)
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- 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. **MCLA Alumni Association Awards Brunch** (Murdock Hall, Room 218)
This event recognizes the achievements of past graduates and friends of the College by presenting the following awards to:

James Chapman '15 (Distinguished Alumnus/na Award), **Benjamin Lamb '07** (Service to the College Award), **Laurie Dias-Mitchell '81** (Community Service & Citizenship Award), **Kevin Pink '09** (Vanguard Award), **Lindsay St. Pierre McGinnis M.Ed. '08** (Outstanding Educator Award), and **Arlene Wynn '63 – posthumous** (Outstanding Educator Emeritus Award)
- 12-2 p.m. **Chowder Fest** (Campus Center Marketplace)
Join us for an informal party and help yourself to picnic food, SGA's famous chowder, and soft drinks. Co-sponsored by the Student Government Association (SGA).
- 12-4 p.m. **Family Carnival** (Venable Gym — check in at Marketplace)
Co-sponsored by the Student Government Association (SGA).



HOMECOMING WEEKEND

- 1 p.m. **MCLA Women's Volleyball vs. Salem State** (Campus Center Gym)
Cheer on the Trailblazers as they take on Salem State!
- 2-3 p.m. **RA Gathering** (Hoosac Harbor)
Meet up with current and former Resident Advisors. Share your stories!
- 3-4 p.m. **WJJW 50th Anniversary Celebration** (Sullivan Lounge)
Students, alumni, faculty, and staff are invited to join us to celebrate the 50th anniversary of WJJW. Light refreshments will be served.
- 4-5:30 p.m. **History & Political Science Alumni/Student Gathering** (Murdock Hall, Room 218)
Students, alumni, faculty, and staff are invited to join us for a gathering of History and Political Science majors and minors, hosted by the department.
- 7 p.m. **MCLA Women's Hockey Game** **CANCELED DUE TO WESTFIELD TRAVEL**
(Peter Foote Vietnam Veterans Skating Rink) Cheer on the Trailblazers as they kick off their season playing against Westfield State.