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Meet The Black Student Union Executive Board

2022 – 2023

RECAP

WELCOME BLACK WEEKEND

Good times and vibes! Thank you all for coming out and being a part of our first annual Welcome Black Weekend. We hope you got the opportunity to see all the amazing people our community here on campus consists of and had some fun!

Old School Game Night

Shout out to Team 8 for coming in first place in our old school game night where we had trivia about black movies and songs closing out in a dance battle.

The Cookout

The Cookout was partnered with many of the black organizations under the umbrella of the BSU here on campus! We hope you got the opportunity to get familiar with some of the faces for these orgs and what they do!

Blackumentary Premiere

The Blackumentary is a film on the Black student experience here at Hopkins made every ten years! You all looked amazing working the black carpet!

This years Blackumentary:

[Blackumentary 2020 Being Black at Hopkins](#)

2000 Blackumentary:

[A Four Year Journey of A Hopkins Student](#)

Access Photos from WBW:

Game Night: [Click Here](#)

The Cookout: [Click Here](#)

Blackumentary: [Click Here](#)



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Become a BSU Committee Member

Applications to become more involved with BSU by joining a committee are LIVE! See the link below for more information:

[Committee Member Application](#)

Apply to be a class representative

We are accepting two Freshman, one sophomore, one junior, and one senior to be Class Representatives for the BSU!

[Class Representative Application](#)

Perspective Submissions

Perspective is the BSU official magazine that we are resuming the publication of. We are currently collecting all forms of art (poetry, short stories, music, dance, paintings/drawings, etc) that Black students would like to show off

[Submit your work here!](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

General Body Meeting - October 2nd 2022

7:30 - 9:00 PM

Join us for the first GBM of the year, BSU101 x Town Hall. We will be discussing general information regarding our organization and current events on campus. Nachos will be served!

[Register now!](#)

General Body Meeting - October 16th 2022

7:30 - 9:00 PM

Show out at our Fall Talent Show! Stay tuned for more logistics and information!

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

MOCHA Field Day - October 1st, 2022

3:00 - 6:00PM

Yardfest - Keyser Quad

Friday, October 30th

7:00PM

Knotty By Nature (KBN) Welcome Back

GBM - Friday, October 30th

5:00 - 6:00PM

Final Fridays! - The Lab

Friday, October 30th

8:30PM

African Student Association (ASA)

Trivia Night - Friday, October 30th

6:00 - 7:00PM

DBH Theater shows open up December 9th - 11th!

Applications for the African Fashion Show are Live!!


**Currently looking for:
Actors to play black male characters in fall production Stick Fly**

Apply to be a model, Committee Member or Special Volunteer Below:

General company members (theater, theater production, playwriting, set design, fashion, makeup, etc)

[Click Here!](#)

Follow them @dbhtheater and check out Hopkins Groups for more information

A portrait of Cierra Gladden, a young Black woman with long braids, wearing a brown headscarf and a blue sweater. She is smiling slightly and looking towards the camera. The background is blurred.

What was your favorite part of Welcome Black Weekend?

"My favorite part of Welcome Black Weekend was The Cookout! I love seeing Black students coming together, hanging out, and having a good time... I think the event as a whole was a great kickoff to the fall semester."

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Class of 2024

Cierra Gladden

Major: Film and Media Studies

Minor: Entrepreneurship and Management

Cierra Gladden edited and premiered the Blackumentary 2020 at Welcome Black Weekend! She recently completed production on her short film Sundown with Studio North, Johns Hopkins' student-run production company. Currently, she is preparing for post-production, including crowdfunding, editing, and marketing for the film. Recently accepted into The Johns Hopkins Writer's Room, a 5-year-old Film and Media Studies club where 8 screenwriters create two series over the course of an academic year, Cierra is in pursuit of becoming a creative executive in the entertainment industry. Along the way she would like to operate an independent media production company!

COMMUNITY CONNECT

Your HUB for community service, opportunities and events!

#ShutDownJHPD


DIE-IN TO STOP JHPD

PROTEST HOPKINS PRIVATE POLICE AT THE
JHPD "TOWN HALLS"

SEPT. 22, MEET AT 5PM
SHRIVER HALL, 3400 N CHARLES ST

SEPT. 29, MEET AT 6PM
TURNER AUDITORIUM, 720 RUTLAND AVE

#NoHopkinsPolice



CHARLES VILLAGE FESTIVAL

IN THE DELL

FOOD - BEER AND WINE
CRAFT VENDORS - KIDS' GAMES
SOCCER IN THE DELL
PET PARADE - GARDEN WALK

& LIVE MUSIC

FROM BALTIMORE'S BEST BANDS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM

WYMAN PARK DELL
CORNER OF CHARLES AND 29TH STREETS, BALTIMORE, MD 21218

CHARLESVILLAGEFESTIVAL.NET

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WATERFRONT PARTNERSHIP *Presents*

BALTIMORE BY BALTIMORE

A WATERFRONT MUSIC & MAKERS FESTIVAL

SAT. OCT. 1 12-8 PM

INNER HARBOR AMPHITHEATER
LIGHT ST. & PRATT ST.

Presents **LADY BRION** BLACK GIRL MAGIC EDITION

**D.LO DUCKY DYNAMO BLACK ASSETS
AKILAH DIVINE MARTINA LYNCH
LITA LACHEY & MORE**

BALTIMORE PERFORMERS, ARTISTS, MAKERS, & FOOD TRUCKS

WATERFRONT PARTNERSHIP

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
VISIT BALTIMORE & DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP

LIVING BEHIND BARS

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INSIGHTS FROM THE
AMERICAN
PRISON
WRITING
ARCHIVE

Two million people in the United States live behind bars, in prisons and jails. Their voices are largely absent from the civic sphere, political debate, and mass media. Yet imprisoned authors are among the sharpest analysts of their own situation as well as of U.S. politics and society in general. Now, the American Prison Writing Archive, a collection of over 3,000 essays by incarcerated people, is moving to Johns Hopkins University, as a resource available to everyone to learn about life behind bars.

In this panel discussion, the founder of the American Prison Writing Archive, Dr. Doran Larson, will be in conversation with three current JHU undergraduates who have recently completed year-long research projects based on essays in the Archive, supervised by Dr. Walea Weaver and Dr. Stuart Schrader. Larson will provide an overview of the Archive, and the students will present their research findings on Covid-19 in prison, legal efforts to prevent sexual assault in prison, and bureaucratic hurdles to rehabilitation.

DR. DORAN LARSON
Professor of Literature and Creating Writing
Hamilton College

ADRIANA ORDUÑA
JHU '23, International Studies and Sociology

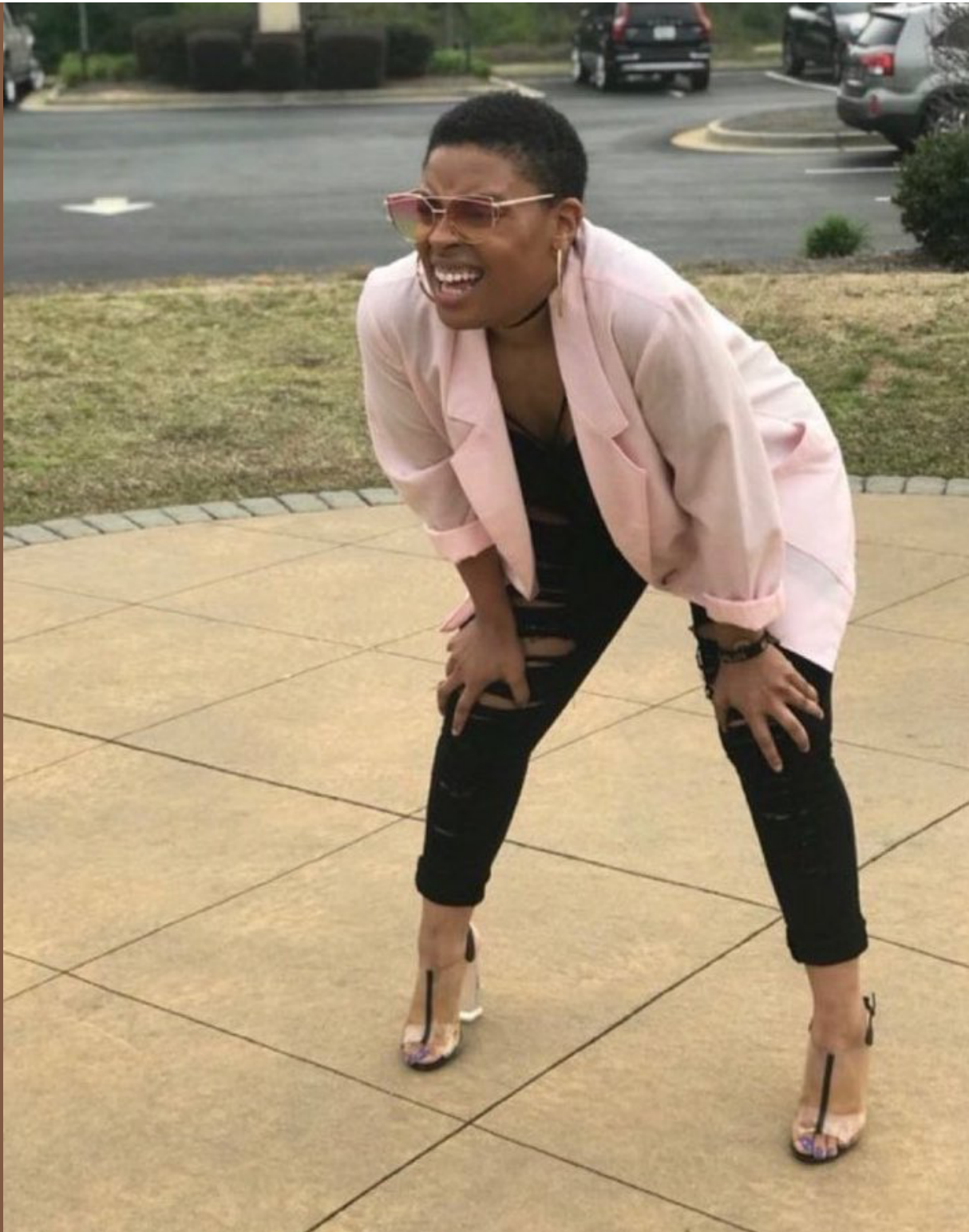
EMMA PETITE
JHU '24, International Studies and Political Science

ELIZA ZIMMERMAN
JHU '23, Sociology and Writing Seminars

Thursday, October 6th
6 PM - 7:30 PM
Hodson 311

@PRISONWITNESS
@RICJHU

**When you just finished the electric slide and
they go straight into the wobble**



Meme of the Month

**September 2022
JHU BSU**

RESOLUTION OF THE JHU BSU EXECUTIVE BOARD REGARDING THE PROPOSED JHPD

Passed unanimously on September 25, 2022

WHEREAS this executive board has, collectively and individually, reviewed documentation and testimony, including, most recently, from Vice-President Branville Bard, regarding the proposal to create a Johns Hopkins Police Department (JHPD), armed with lethal force,

WHEREAS, despite the limited efforts of the institution to explore non-police alternatives to crime, we have continued to find arguments that this armed force will measurably improve the safety of members of our community unsupported by evidence,

WHEREAS we regard the risks of such a force for our community—including but not limited to racial profiling, fear and distress, the suppression of free expression of dissent, and bodily injury and DEATH – as significant,

WHEREAS we are particularly concerned about the risks for BIPOC, LGBTQ, and disabled students, staff, faculty, and non-affiliates in our community from the implementation of such a force,

WHEREAS we are also concerned about the accountability of the proposed force to adjacent communities and the potential for private policing of public space, which has been a component of every map of patrol areas we have reviewed,

WHEREAS we know the long-term costs of such a force will be significant and believe that money would achieve greater things if invested elsewhere,

WHEREAS we have not seen evidence of significant faculty, student, or community support for an armed force.

WHEREAS we have seen significant student, faculty, staff, and community opposition to the proposal for an armed force.

WHEREAS we are particularly concerned by the overwhelming opposition to the proposed force on the part of our general body and the community at large on and near the Homewood campus.

WE, the Executive Board of the JHU Black Student Union, HEREBY RESOLVE that the Administration be informed of our strong opposition to the proposed armed force, and that it be urged to find a different way forward. Policing does not have to be a component of public safety.