

Photos: Celebrating Week for Peace

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'Tanvi

Tulane President Scott Cowen presents a community service award to Tanvi Shah, a junior and dedicated volunteer with [Swim 4 Success](#), which offers free swimming lessons to local youth; the Desmond Project that serves meals to the homeless; and [A's and Aces](#), where she tutors and teaches tennis.

'MLK

Members of the MLK Consortium Choir raise their voices to celebrate the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. The convocation was part of a week-long calendar of events.

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'Nikki

Poet and activist [Nikki Giovanni](#) speaks at the event. The author of 30 books for adults and children, Giovanni is a University Distinguished Professor at Virginia Tech.

'Roussel

In the Roussel Hall Auditorium at Loyola, audience members react to Giovanni's words that challenged them to rise above racism.