

Events celebrate the work of Audre Lorde

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Audre Lorde (1934-1992) was a black, female writer, poet and activist who used her platform to confront the injustices of racism, sexism and homophobia. From Monday (Jan. 26) through Friday (Jan. 30), the Tulane University community will recognize Audre Lorde Week with events designed to create “tools for using human difference as a springboard for creative change.”

“Audre Lorde Week is unique to Tulane, and was generated by student interest,” says Red Tremmel, director of the Office of Gender and Sexual Diversity. “The reason that this week is named for Audre Lorde is that she was an extraordinarily influential thinker who challenged scholars and community organizers to think in more nuanced ways about the intersection of sexuality, race, gender, class and globalization.”

Central to the week's events will be a consideration of how the Tulane community can create meaningful relationships within the context of racism, sexism, heteronormativity, economic disparity, homophobia, transphobia and xenophobia, Tremmel says.

Events include the Queer People of Color roundtable on Monday (Jan. 26) from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. in the Lavin-Bernick Center; Recovery Room: A Recovery, Healing and Play Space for Queer People of Color on Wednesday (Jan. 28) from 8 until 11 p.m. in the Newcomb Place Mosaic Lounge; and a roundtable on intersectionality on Thursday (Jan. 29) from 6 until 8 p.m. in the Lavin-Bernick Center.

The [Office of Gender and Sexual Diversity](#) is sponsoring the [events](#), which are free to the public.

“I am deliberate and afraid of nothing.”—Audre Lorde