The Dr. William G. Anderson Lecture Series

Slavery to Freedom
An American Odyssey
The seventeenth annual Visiting Faculty Lecture Series

Mae Jemison
Dr. Jemison doesn’t believe in “or.” Instead of dreaming of becoming a doctor or a dancer or a chemical engineer, she did them all – and much more. Jemison was the first African American woman to travel to space on the space shuttle Endeavour. Jemison is an advocate for STEM education, addressing health care disparities and advancing technology to serve humanity.
Thursday, February 2, 2017, 5 p.m.
Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center

Jonathan Capehart
Journalist, MSNBC contributor and Washington Post opinion writer and editorial board member, Jonathan Capehart doesn’t hesitate to share his thoughts – regardless of how popular they might or might not be – and to admit when he’s wrong, a rarity among commentators. Expect him to be bold, opinionated and challenging, but never boring.
Thursday, February 9, 2017, 5 p.m.
Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center

Johnny Ford
Mayor Johnny Ford, the first African American mayor of Tuskegee, Alabama, was one of the first African American mayors for a U.S. city with a population over 10,000 people. After serving Tuskegee for six consecutive terms, he then ran for the 82nd legislative district. An experienced leader who has spent his life in public service, he understands the value of collaboration, of sharing and service.
Thursday, February 23, 2017, 5 p.m.
Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center

The Dr. William G. Anderson Lecture Series: Slavery to Freedom, is designed to give members of the mid-Michigan community opportunities for interaction with multicultural leaders from education, business, industry, entertainment and government. This series has featured living icons of the American Civil Rights Movement.

The MSU College of Osteopathic Medicine is extremely pleased to host these notable individuals during their presentations at Michigan State University.

All presentations are free.