



KEYNOTE SPEAKER DR. PHILATHIA R. BOLTON

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2025, 12:00 PM

Jean Hower Taber Student Union Gardner Theatre
This event is free and open to the public!

In celebration of Black History Month, join us as **Dr. Philathia R. Bolton** presents “A Diasporic Woman” on Wednesday, February 5, 2025, at 12:00pm in Jean Hower Taber Student Union Gardner Theatre.

In this talk, Dr. Philathia R. Bolton, associate professor of English at The University of Akron, will share experiences she had abroad in the U.A.E., Fort-de-France, Martinique and in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Offering for consideration what may be understood as the subjective nature of being American, she examines how she was perceived to be African and received as “African” in certain contexts. Dr. Bolton’s talk invites a reflection on how being a Black woman, in particular, in spaces outside of the U.S. can generate a diasporic consideration of self, as one becomes aware of what it means to be part of the African diaspora and also located within it.

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The event is sponsored by The Student African American Brotherhood (SAAB), Collegiate 100, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc. in conjunction with the Office of Community Engagement, Opportunity, and Belonging.

