



Keynote Speaker: Andrew Aydin Creator · Author Coretta Scott King Book Award Author Winner (2014, 2017)

ANDREW AYDIN is creator and co-author of the graphic memoir series, MARCH, which chronicles the life of Congressman and civil rights icon John Lewis. Co-authored with Rep. Lewis and illustrated by Nate Powell, MARCH is the first comics work to ever win the National Book Award. The Washington Post heralded the completion of the MARCH trilogy, saying, "The closest American peer, I've found, to Maus has arrived."

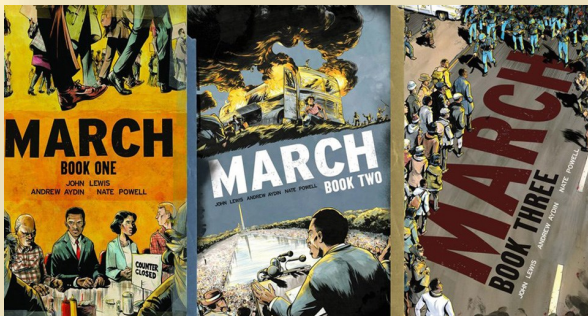
An Atlanta native, Andrew was raised by a single mother, and grew up reading comic books. After college, he took a job with Congressman Lewis. In 2008, Congressman Lewis mentioned to Andrew the 1957 comic book Martin Luther King and the Montgomery Story and the role it played in the early days of the civil rights movement. Recognizing the potential for a comic on Congressman Lewis' life to inspire young people, Andrew urged him to write a comic about his time in the movement, but Congressman Lewis had one condition: that Andrew write it with him. Collaborating with artist Nate Powell, the MARCH trilogy was born in 2013.

Today, Andrew serves as Digital Director & Policy Advisor to Congressman Lewis in Washington, D.C. A graduate of Trinity College in Hartford and Georgetown University in Washington, Andrew wrote his master's thesis on the history and impact of Martin Luther King & The Montgomery Story. The best-selling graphic novels March: Book One, March: Book Two, and March: Book Three are taught in middle schools, high schools, and colleges across the country. Andrew often speaks at schools and universities, participates

in reading programs with incarcerated youth, serves as a national project advisor to the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) for "The Great Stories Club (GSC): Reading and Discussion for At-Risk Youth", has taught classes on script writing at the Smithsonian, and has appeared as a guest on the Rachel Maddow Show, Morning Joe, CBS This Morning, NPR, CNN, the BBC and many other outlets.

Andrew's other works include the 2016 X-Files Annual (IDW), the 2016 CBLDF Annual Liberty (Image), and Bitch Planet: Triple Feature (Image), as well as articles for the Atlanta alt-weekly Creative Loafing and the Southern Poverty Law Center's Teaching Tolerance Magazine.

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Annual MLK Celebration and Awards Dinner

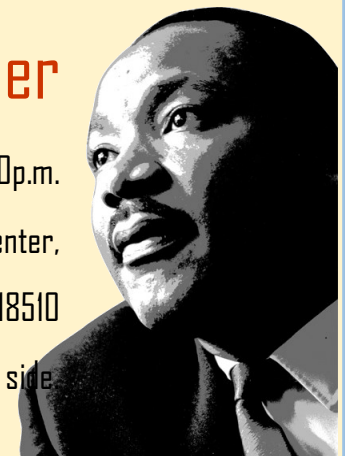
Sunday, January 20, 2019 · Beginning at 2:30p.m.

The University of Scranton, Patrick & Margaret DeNaples Student Center,

McIlhenny Ballroom 4th floor, 900 Mulberry, Scranton, PA 18510

Tickets are \$25 ea. Table of 8 \$200 See ticket information on reverse side

Aydin Co-authored with Rep. John Lewis, illustrated by Nate Powell





The Greater Scranton MLK Commission Event Schedule for January 2019

The MARCH Continues: A New Era of Peaceful Activism

Sunday, January 20, 2019

2:30-5:30PM

Celebration and Awards Dinner

The University of Scranton
DeNaples Student Center, Ballroom
Admission: \$25 per ticket; Table of 8 \$200
Dinner immediately followed by a book signing. Books will be sold separately on site after the dinner.

Guest Speakers:

Andrew Aydin, MA, Keynote; Creator · Author Coretta Scott King Book Award Author Winner (2014, 2017)
Joel B. Kemp, Ph. D. Assistant Professor of Theology and Religious Studies, Attorney, Harvard Law Graduate

For reservations and to purchase tickets contact, write "MLK Event" in the memo portion of your check and mail your payment to: Scranton Area Foundation, 615 Jefferson Ave., Suite 102, Scranton, PA 18510. OR Purchase online: www.safdn.org "MLK Event"

For event information, contact Jennifer Pennington, GSMLKC Event Coordinator. 570-903-9450 or email gsmlkcommission@gmail.com
Web: scranton.edu/equity-diversity/mlkcommission.shtml

Monday, January 21, 2019

11:00AM

Peaceful Activism Workshop for Youth

St. Mary's Center, Scranton
Friends of the Poor in collab. with Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine, will host youth for an afternoon of interactive lessons on peaceful activism followed by a mini march around the parking lot. FREE RSVP required. Contact Sr. Ann Walsh 570-348-4428



Monday, January 21, 2019 cont.

11:00AM to 4:00PM

Celebration Luncheon and Discussion
Penn State Scranton is hosting their fourth annual MLK Celebration Luncheon and Award presentation followed by a day of service. The View Café – Study Learning Center FREE to the public, please RSVP to <https://scranton.psu.edu/mlkform> or call (570) 963-2685.

ALL DAY

UNC NEPA Food Drive

Please drop non-perishable food items. UNC Community Services, 410 Olive St. To Benefit Angels Attic Food Bank Contact Nathan Masco 570-961-1592 ext. 103
Youth Dialogue on Race, Injustice & Community – A Discussion around the graphic novel March In partnership with The University of Scranton Political Dialogues Working Group DeNaples Student Center, 900 Mulberry, Rm 405 FREE and open to middle and high school students; RSVP required: Call 570-941-4419 or email community@scranton.edu
March from UNC Progressive Center, 414 Olive St., to the Lackawanna County Courthouse Following the march, there will be a ceremony and remarks in the courthouse. FREE and open to the public.

2:00P<-4:00PM

4:45PM

7:00PM

Interfaith Closing Service

Interfaith Prayer Service, 7-9 PM
Bethel A.M.E Church, 716 N. Washington Ave. Scranton PA 18509

Guest Speaker: Bishop Ray Johnson

Feat.: The Martin Luther King Community Choir under the direction Mrs. Charlotte Ledbetter [Volunteer singers can contact Mrs. Ledbetter at 570.342-6348]

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