



Oakwood University  
Presents

**“Open Your Mind”  
Lecture Series**

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LECTURE SERIES

# Mission Statement



- The “Open Your Mind” Lecture Series Mission is to Support Quality Education At Oakwood University By Providing Extracurricular Learning Opportunities Through Presentations By individuals Who Have Unique Viewpoints, Expertise, or Life Experiences With the Goal of exposing Students to Broader Perspectives of Intellectual thought.

# Purpose



- **A Part Of Oakwood University's Mission Statement is to Provide Quality Education. We believe an Integral Part of Educating Our Students is providing Learning Opportunities Outside The Classrooms. This Series will give Our students Real World points of View on Politics, Diversity, Education and Social Justice.**



# Michael Eric Dyson



- Hailed as one of the nation's most inspiring African Americans, Michael Eric Dyson has been credited with revitalizing the role of the public intellectual with the fervor of an ordained Baptist minister.
- Dr. Dyson Spoke at Oakwood University Chapel in March of 2009. Our student Enjoyed His Presentation



# Dr. Walter Kimbrough



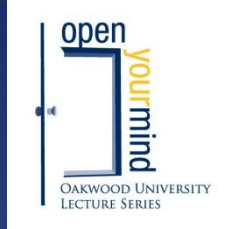
- Dr. Walter M. Kimbrough is the 12th president of Philander Smith College in Little Rock, Arkansas. As the first college president from the hip-hop generation, he is one of the youngest college presidents in the nation.
- Dr. Kimbrough Kicked off Our Official Start Of The Lecture Series September 14, 2009. He Spoke about the dismal Enrollment and Graduation Numbers Of Black Males In Higher Education



# Kemba Smith: Guest Lecturer October 19, 2009



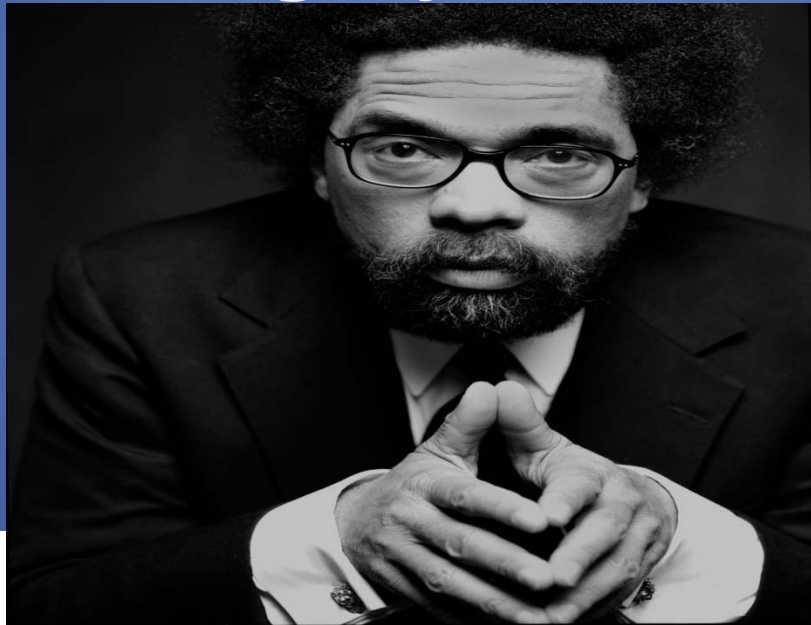
- As a newlywed, mother, advocate, consultant and public speaker, Ms. Smith has received numerous awards and recognitions for her courage and determination to educate the public about the devastating social, economic and political consequences of current drug policies.
- Kemba Lectured about Mandatory Minimum Drug Sentencing on October 19, 2009 in Moran Hall.



# Cornel West

## January 19, 2010 Oakwood University Church

### “The Legacy Of Dr. King”



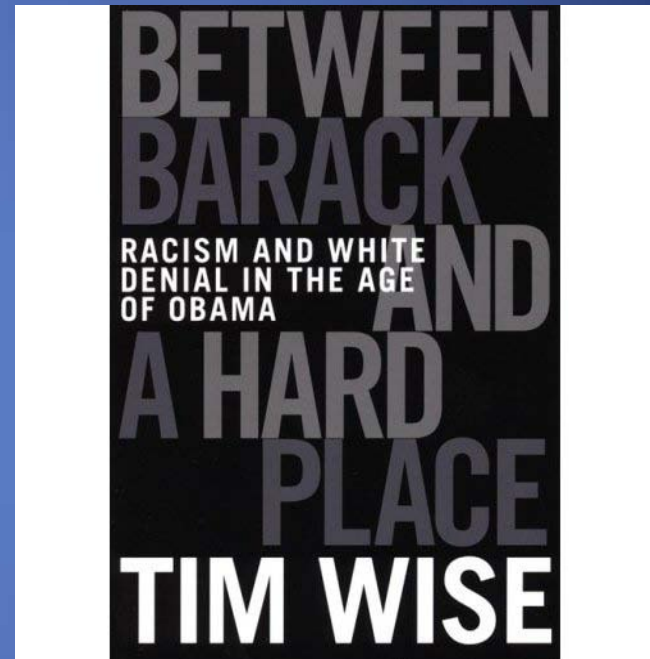
**Cornel West**

**One of the World's Most Influential Thinkers**



# Tim Wise: Guest Lecturer

## February 1, 2010



- Tim Wise is among the most prominent anti-racist writers and activists in the U.S., and has been called, "One of the most brilliant, articulate and courageous critics of white privilege in the nation," by best-selling author and professor Michael Eric Dyson,



# Nia Long- Actress/Philanthropist April 19, 7:00 P.M.



- An exceptional actress and devoted philanthropist, Nia Long's film and television career spans over genre and audience. This success has afforded her the opportunity to give back to the communities that have long appreciated her work



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