

# Poet Gwendolyn Brooks to appear on IUK campus

As part of the celebration of Black History Month in Kokomo, Pulitzer Prize-winning poet Gwendolyn Brooks will present two programs on Friday,

February 12. Miss Brooks' appearance in The City of Firsts is a joint venture involving IUK, Ivy Tech, and the Kokomo-Center School Corporation.

The 75-year-old Chicago resident is world-renowned for her poetry describing the black experience. In 1950 Miss Brooks' earned a Pulitzer Prize in poetry, the first to be awarded to a black writer. Honored with more than 70 degrees, Miss Brooks has been poet laureate of Illinois since 1968, when she succeeded the late Carl Sandburg. She was named consultant-in-poetry to the Library of Congress in 1985-86 and was the first black woman to be so honored.

Miss Brooks will meet informally with students at Kokomo High School South Campus the afternoon of her visit. That evening IUK will host Miss Brooks' in a presentation of her poetry at 7:30 p.m. in Havens Auditorium. This program is free and open to the public.

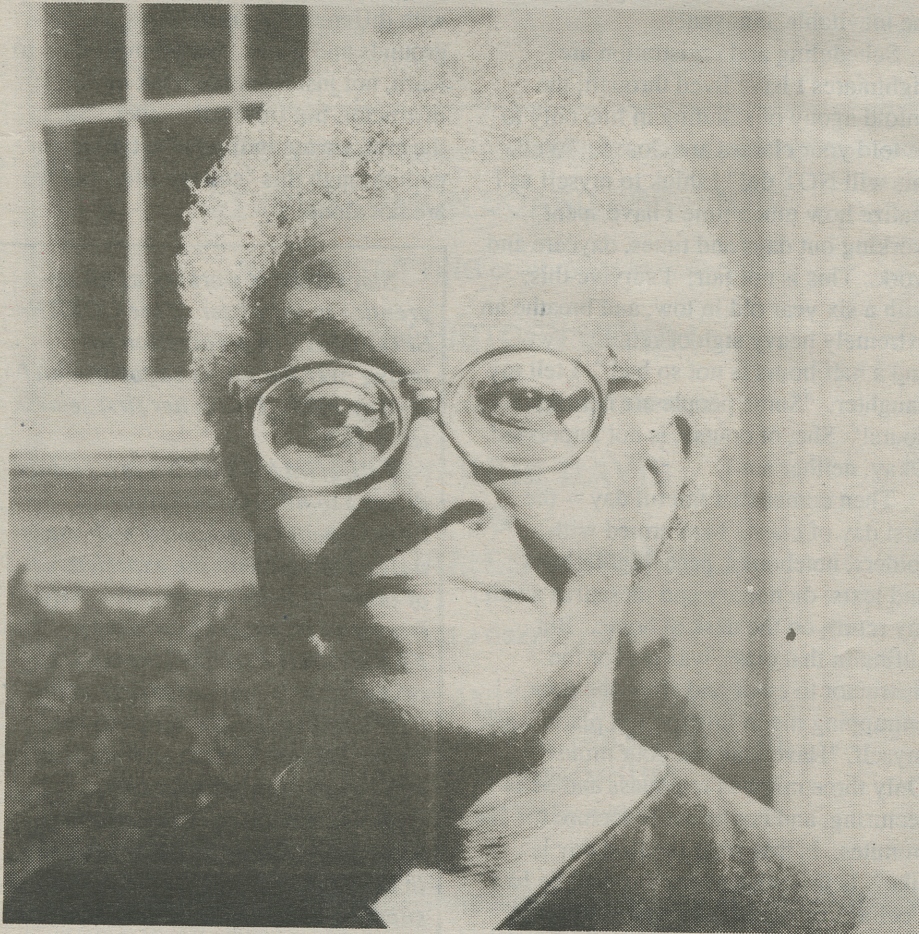


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## "Dream" speech discussion planned

A presentation, analysis and discussion of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech will be held on Feb. 3 at 2:30 p.m. in Room 130 of the Kelley Student Center. The program is being presented by Colin Black and other members of the IUK speech faculty who will be teaching the speech in their classes. The program is open to the campus and the community.