



**RAMAPO COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**Office of Communications and Public Relations**  
**Press Release**  
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**NOTED ACTIVIST KEVIN POWELL TO SPEAK AT  
RAMAPO COLLEGE**

MAHWAH, NJ -- Political and social activist, writer and entrepreneur Kevin Powell will be speaking on Monday, February 16 at 5 p.m. in the Sharp Theater of the Berrie Center for Performing and Visual Arts at Ramapo College.

His talk is entitled, "Are Dr. King and His Dream Still Relevant? Community, Social Media and the New Activism."

Powell, a Jersey City native, will address how people from diverse backgrounds can work toward a more harmonious, inclusive and tolerant society by combining lessons from the Civil Rights Movement of the 1950's and '60's with new strategies for activism and change in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Powell routinely appears in interviews on television, radio, in print and on the Internet discussing major issues affecting society today. He is president and co-founder of BK Nation, a multinational organization that focuses on issues such as education, civic engagement, social media, arts and culture, and job and small business creation. Powell has spoken at universities and corporations across the country as well as internationally.

The event is sponsored by the office of Equity and Diversity Programs and is free and open to the public.

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Ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* as sixth in the Best Regional Universities North category, Ramapo College of New Jersey is sometimes mistaken for a private college. This is, in part, due to its unique interdisciplinary academic structure, its size of approximately 6,000 students and its pastoral setting in the foothills of the Ramapo Mountains on the New Jersey/New York border.

Established in 1969, Ramapo College offers bachelor's degrees in the arts, business,

humanities, social sciences and the sciences, as well as in professional studies, which include nursing and social work. In addition, Ramapo College offers courses leading to teacher certification at the elementary and secondary levels. The College also offers eight graduate programs as well as articulated programs with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, New York Chiropractic College, New York University College of Dentistry, SUNY State College of Optometry.

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