

OUTSIDE EVENT ASSIGNMENTS

*Due: December 6**Robert Utterback*

Over the course of the semester you must attend and participate in three "outside events" during the semester. "Outside" means "not a regular part of class," not "outdoors" or "off campus." You'll be expected to write a short reflection about the event and relate it to the themes of the class.

One event you attend should be **academic** in nature, one should be **athletic**, and one should be **artistic**. Community (non-college-related) events ARE allowed, provided they fit into the aforementioned categories.

- Responses are due within one week of the date of your event.
- Use MLA format. Google "MLA format" and you should get a result from "Purdue OWL" – use that as a guideline.
- These responses should be approximately 1.5 pages in length. Since we are using MLA, that should be double spaced. That is roughly equivalent to 400 words, though actual word counts will vary.
- **You may not attend an event for this assignment that you are otherwise obligated to attend** (either for another class, or because you are on the team/in the show, etcetera).
- Your response is relatively open-ended, but should connect to the course in some way. For example, you can discuss how the event related to the course theme of Inquiry and Identity. Or, you can try and connect the event to the Course Goals, or to a course text that we have read or are reading.
- Additionally, you should offer some narrative of your experience attending the event. What were your expectations? What did you get out of the experience? Did you seem to have a similar or different experience than the other students/faculty/community in attendance? Why?
- For your second and third response, you may also address how this experience compared and contrasted with earlier outside events.
- Proofread your response carefully. Spelling, grammar, and style are important.