

Black History Month Week 3, 2023 Edition



About the Monterey Bay Black Folks Event Calendar

The purpose of the Monterey Bay Black Folks Event Calendar is to connect the Black Community of CSU Monterey Bay with the local Black Communities of the Greater Monterrey Bay Area. The idea for the calendar came out of the community forums organized as part of CSUMB's annual super Saturday Black student recruitment events. The Calendar, (originally edited by Steven Goings) is now produced by the Cal State Monterey Bay's Helen Rucker Center for Black Excellence and edited by HRE Administrative Support Coordinator Da'ja Robinson with new editions usually being released on Mondays (at least monthly; sometimes weekly depending on news and capacity).

Don't forget there is also a Facebook group: <u>Monterey Bay Black</u> <u>Folks Calendar</u> where you can post anything related to Black Folks directly.

- 1) To submit an event to the BFC for possible publication, click on this link: **BFC Event Submission Form**
- 2) To submit a "My Take" article, send a word document (NOT pdf!) along with your name and email address to sgoings@csumb.edu
- 3) To submit a "In the Spotlight" biography/activities and photo of a community leader, send a word document and digital picture to dajrobinson@csumb.edu.

Editor's Note:

Throughout this newsletter, *Blue Underlined* copy (including above!) indicates a searchable link.



Broadway Walk of Fame Recap



On Saturday, February 11, 2023 on a wet Saturday afternoon, the first set of stars on Seaside's newest project, were uncovered. There stood local officials, the honorees, their family, friends and residents as the stars of Seaside's Walk of Famers made its appearance.

Congratulations to: Col. Al Glover, Dr. Bettye Lusk, Carlos Ramos, Helen Rucker, Mayor Jerry Smith and Ella Ruthie Watts. (pictured above)

"Seaside Walk of Fame event on Broadway. Annalisa Mitchell created the idea, Franco Pacheco and Councilman Dave developed a plan to make it a reality with the leadership of Mayor Oglesby and the City Council." - Dave Pacheco

Photo contributors: Ian Oglesby, Deja Blue, Joy Gonzales Anderson, Seaside Fire & Police and LisAnne Sawhney

















~Black History + Black presence + Black Excellence~

Celebrating the legacy and contributions of African & Black folks February 2023

Compiled by Ms. Asya Guillory

February 15 // THE LAST POETS



The Last Poets are a famous spoken word contemporary group that predates the origins of what we call Rap/ Hip Hop. Original Members,

Abiodun Oyewole, David Nelson, and Dylan Kain founded The Last Poets on May 19th, 1968 (honoring Malcolm X's Birthday) at Mount Morris Park, now known as Marcus Garvey Park. Additional members later joined the trio; Umar bin Hassan, Felipe Luciano, Jalal Mansur Nuruddin, and Suliaman El Had as well as two drummers Nilaja Obabi and Baba Don. "Based off of South African Poet Little Willie Kgostile, the group's name signifies, the era to be the last age of poets before the complete takeover of guns." The group's first live performance was on the October 24th, 1968 episode of Soul. The group's first album, Right On! was released in 1970, yet their first single "Wake Up Niggers" appeared on the movie soundtrack Performance. While their first albums were taking flight, lead poet Oyewole was serving a 3-year sentence for a robbery in North Carolina. While on the inside, he would appear on Prison Radio, reading selected books and reciting original poetry. Despite the drama that occurred with original members falling out and new musicians and poets being filled in,

The Last Poets were emerging as revolutionary forefathers of the Rap & Hip Hop genre, several members believed they were under investigation by the CIA's Cointelpro program.

Later in the '70s and early '80s they gained more international popularity and often performed in Europe, where the group was coined as performers of "Jazzoetry" the title of their 1976 album. Having taken somewhat of a hiatus, the group re-appeared in the 1993 film Poetic Justice, and soon again resurged on the music scene and continued to perform live. The Last Poets were featured on Common's track "The Corner", Wu-Tang Clan's "The Final Call" as well as Nas' "You Can't Stop Us Now" and "Project Roach" The group has released over 15 albums, some including; This is Madness, Hustler's Convention, Oh My People, Freedom Express and Time Has Come. Their most recent works include Understand What Black Is which was released in 2018, and followed up a year later Transcending Toxic Times. Lead poet Oyewole teaches poetry workshops at Riker's Island Prison and has continued to host an open house Poetry Nights at his Harlem apartment, where he cooks and offers up space for aspiring artists and community members, quoted him saying "I do this to repair myself". Every Sunday the spirits in the room begin with Oyewole's mantra, "I want to be who I want to be, I want to feel good about myself and blame no one for my misery." "I want to say what I know, to make my brothers and sisters grow."

The Last Poets today ... Abiodun Oyewole, Baba Donn Babatunde, and Umar Bin Hassan. Photograph: PR



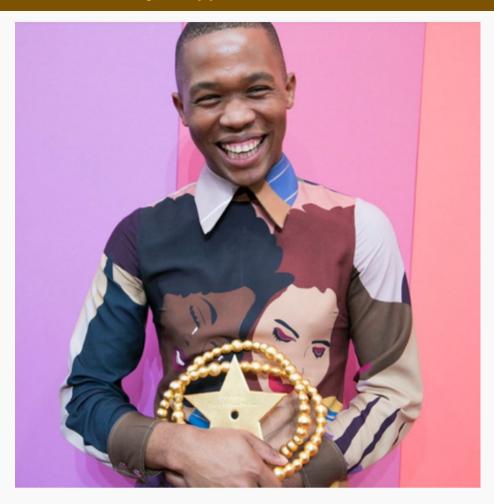
February 16 // NELL CARTER



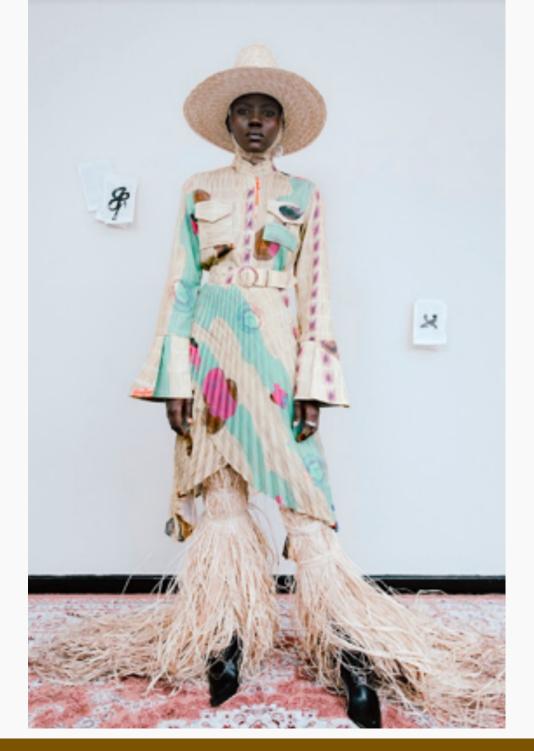
Born Nell Ruth Hardy in Alabama, on September 13th, 1948 Nell had her share of misfortunes. She tragically witnessed the death of her father due to an electrical accident. Having a beautiful voice, Nell sang at an early age in the church and on gospel radio, and then at the age of 15, she began performing in coffee houses and gay bars. At 16, Nell was raped and birthed a daughter that she gave up for adoption to her sister. Several years later she moved to New York and continued performing and eventually auditioned for a role in 1971's Broadway Rock Opera Soon. Nell then went on to serve as the musical director of the Westbeth Playwrights Feminist Collective. Nell gained critical acclaim for her performance in Ain't Misbehavin' where she was awarded a Tony in 1978 and Emmy for the televised performance in 1982. Nell was originally cast as Effie White in the Broadway musical Dreamgirls but left the cast to take a television role in the soap opera Ryan's Hope. Nell would begin to make headway on television and film beginning with her role in The Misadventures of Sheriff Lobo, which led to her most popular role as the live-in housekeeper, Nell in Gimmie A Break! The hit 80's sitcom aired for 137 episodes and Six seasons, Nell would be nominated for Best Actress twice & Outstanding Lead Actress for three years in a row. Throughout her career, Nell had struggled with several health issues, financial troubles, and substance abuse, she self-reported being admitted to Rehab and unfortunately had three miscarriages and two marriages which both led to divorce. She later decided to adopt two sons. Nell was one of America's 80's pop culture curvy beautiful black female actresses. Highly talented as a singer and performer she would appear in over a dozen films, including voice acting for Bebe's Kids, and make guest appearances on popular Black sitcoms like Amen, 227, and Hangin' With Mr. Cooper. Later in her career, Nell was

cast in Reba and Ally McBeal. Her last acting role was in the romantic comedy Swing, which was released after her death. Nell passed away in 2003 in her Beverly Hills home at age 54. She was mourned by so many of her fans, her three children, Tracy, Joshua and Daniel, and her partner Ann Kaser.

February 17 // THEBE MAGUGU



South African Designer Thebe Magugu, was the first African Designer to win the LVMH (Moët Hennessy Louis Vuitton) Prize of 300,000 and Fashion Mentorship in 2019. Two years earlier, at age 24 Magugu's debut collection <u>Geology</u> was featured in Vogue Italia, and later at the Costume Institute at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Admitting that his childhood in Ipopeng was lonely, he grew up knowing that he wanted to be a designer from watching his Grandmother and Mother he's quoted, "The women who inspire my work make regality out of nothing. It's so beautiful." Magugu attended Johannesburg's Leaders in the Science of Fashion, but shared in an In Style article, that he was "eating cornflakes for every meal, sleeping on friend's couches and sneaking into classes..." Although he really struggled and at times wasn't sure if he would finish due to finances and family issues, he eventually graduated in 2016 and then proceeded to participate in the International Fashion Showcase program. After 8 months, Magugu received the top award for curation and fashion content. He has since blown up the fashion landscape with his mighty team of four he refers to them as "Kindred Spirits". You can admire & purchase Magugu's masterpieces and current fashion collections via his website https://www.thebemagugu.com/



February 18 // ABBY (ABBIE) FISHER



Mrs. Fisher was born Abby Clifton in 1831 in South Carolina to her enslaved mother Abby and father Andrew James who was a White farmer. Abby is said to have birthed a total of 11 children, she was listed in the 1880 US Census as "mullato" and had since relocated to San Francisco with her children and husband. Alexander Fisher - who was recorded as a Pickle & Preserve Manufacturer. Having records of winning awards and recognition at the 1877 Sacramento State Fair as well as the 1880 San Francisco Mechanics Institute Fair, Mrs. Fisher began gaining notoriety among the bourgeois. "Fisher states in her cookbook's introduction that she was not "able to read or write" herself, so she relied on dictation to piece together the book. While Fisher's cooking was revered by her (presumably wealthy) "lady friends and patrons" in the Bay Area, who frequently asked her to immortalize her recipes, the book didn't receive a wide circulation." What Mrs. Fisher Knows about Old Southern Cookin' was thought to be the 1st Black American (former slave) Cookbook for many years, a copy of the first publication resurfaced at a Sotheby's Auction in New York and was re-printed in 1995 by Applewood Books. You can get a taste of Mrs. Fisher's fixins when visiting Michigan "at the Henry Ford The Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation in Dearborn, Michigan, where they've been revitalizing Fisher's recipes, in an effort to give visitors a taste of history."

February 19 // DR. HELEN TINSLEY



Dr. Helen Tinsley is an author and the Executive Director of Tinsley Institute for Multicultural Empowerment LLC, whose mission is ..." To assist educators and administrators to make better connections with 21st century learners by developing multicultural sensitivity and cultural competence through our workshops, training, self-assessment tools and resources." I stumbled upon Dr. Tinsley's site after watching several of her Story-time YouTube Videos, where she read selected Black authored children's books and African Folklore.

Dr. Tinsley has earned both her Ed.D and B.A. from Rowan University, in New Jersey. Her Master's in Education is from Bank Street College of Education in New York. Dr. Tinsley exudes a passion for education and literature. Her career has evolved from being an Early Childhood and Elementary School Teacher to a Professor and she's also served within New Jersey's Dept. of Education. Having facilitated workshops and providing presentations and keynote addresses, she continues to provide" high quality targeted professional development focusing on research-based, developmentally appropriate practices in early childhood education..." Dr. Tinsley's publications include; Me and My Grandma A story for children about AIDS, the beat goes on: poems, thoughts and snippets along the journey, Bright Ideas for Young Children, Spirit Rising-Poetic Reflections, and Visions of Black Life. Dr. Tinsley also produced, A Walk in the Valley, a Mother's Journey Through Public Education. Dr. Tinsley took the time to record 100+ days of Storytime with Dr. Tinsley

during the CoVID-19 Pandemic, doing live Facebook readings and archiving the videos via Youtube. In her words..." The story is the basis of our existence, who we are, what we think we are, what our family and friends say we are, and what other people think we are, and all of this has a place of importance as we grow and develop. Children need to hear stories that speak to their reality because there is power in the story. Stories help us make sense of our experiences, and they bring validity, stability, calm, and peace to a chaotic world."

February 20 // TEAM ONYX



Team Onyx is the first ALL-BLACK adventure competitive sports group with the vision and drive to "change the face of adventure forever." <u>Team</u> Onux is..." the first all-Black team in expedition racing, representing the best qualities and strength that come from diversity. We are a mixture of gay and straight athletes in our 20s, 40s and 50s from around the world. As individuals, we have tirelessly tested the limits of body and mind. "Team Onyx represents the US in international competitions and the core team is comprised of Team Captain, Clifton Lyles, age 48 from Oakland, Ca, Clifton has competed in the Montana MARA & Primal Quest Triathlons in 2004 & 2006. Coree Aussem- Weltering, age 29 from Ottawa, Illinois who has run in 23 Ultra Marathons and 8 half ironman Triathlons, Coree has achieved the overall "Fastest Known Time" record on Ice Age National Scenic Trail, completing an entire 1,200 miles in 21 days, 13 hours and 35 minutes." Sam Scipio, age 29, from Chicago Illinois is a skilled cyclist, completing the Tour Divide 2,799 mile mountain bike race, and was 4th place in the Intelligence Cup 10- day race. Chriss Smith, age 53 from Alexandria, Virginia has competed in Primal Quest, God Zone & Arrowhead 135 mile races. Mikayla Lyles, is Clifton's daughter and played college basketball with UC Berkeley and made it to the final four. Together Team Onyx is assembling a melanated force to be reckoned with, other members include Shemeka Andrade, Johnny Altogge, Dennis "Kofi" Borie, Christal Clashing, Sang Gayle, Lizelle Jackson, Ali Monguno, William Nater, Rachel Parker, Most D. Smith, & Michael Strobel.

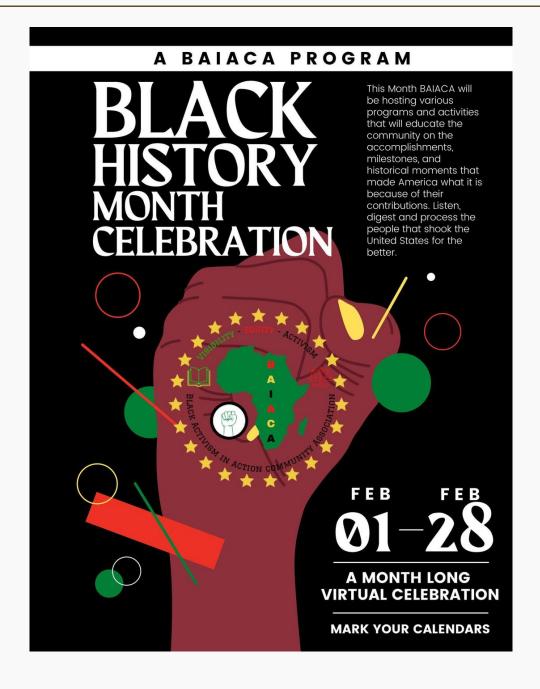
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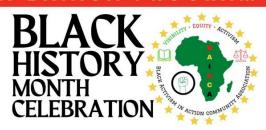
Independent Scholar, Historian and Investigative Journalist Abdur Rahmann Muhammad is one of the core contributors to the recent reinvestigations and exonerations regarding the murder of our beloved El Hajj Malik-Shabazz (Malcolm X). Muhammad's love and 30+ year crusade for justice has taken Malcolm X's assassination investigation to new levels. As a graduate of Howard University, and activist that converted to Islam after being involved with numerous social action organizations such as the All African People's Revolutionary Party and the Anti-Apartheid Movement in South Africa, he began to focus his efforts on research and delving into America's socio- political histories. Muhammad began working closely with Professor and author Dr. Manning Marable in 2005. Dr. Marable had been writing the new biography Malcolm X, A Life of Reinvention, which was published in 2011. Assisting Dr. Marable with key interviews and compiling oral histories, Muhammad began to uncover mis-handlings of the investigation. Corroborative stories were able to validate suspected corruption within the Nation of Islam, FBI investigative documentation and New York Police records that contradicted accounts and evidence from the two men Muhammad A. Aziz and Khalil Islam who had been serving life sentences for murder. In 2020, Fusion produced the 6- part docu-series Who Killed Malcolm X, directed by Phil Bertelsen and Rachel Dretzin. Muhammad is featured as the main character and narrator within the series. In the same year New York County District Attorney Cyrus Vance, Shanies Law and the *Innocence Project* motioned to reinvestigate the case. After 42 years, at age 83 Muhammad Aziz was released from prison and reunited with his family, unfortunately, Khalil Islam passed away in 2009 while serving his sentence.



Upcoming Events:



BAIACA PROGRAM



Week3

Wednesday, February 15th @1pm EST http://bit.ly/3WlwZPw Writers Speak Book Review: The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness By Michelle Alexander https://a.co/7Zuhhlk

Friday, February 17th @ 7 pm EST http://bit.ly/3XAZzoe Podcast: Conflict Within The Diaspora

Saturday, February 18th Saybrook Services and BAIACA Project

Saturday, February 18th @ 2 pm EST http://bit.ly/3Xkv7ba How to Be an Activist; How to be an Ally

Week 4

Wednesday, February 22nd @1pm EST http://bit.ly/3J2A57Z Writers Speak Book Review: The Vanishing Half by Brit Bennet https://a.co/jiaDjip

Friday, February 24th @ 7 pm EST http://bit.ly/3HhSCfu Podcast: The Black Health Crisis of 2023

SPECIAL THANKS TO SHENIKAH GRANDISON, DENISE DAMIJO, AND ALETHA WILLIAMS!

Saturday, February 25th @ 2 - 3:30 PM EST http://bit.ly/3XL14t3 HAVE A QUESTION? SENDUS **BAIACA Justice Youth Panel**

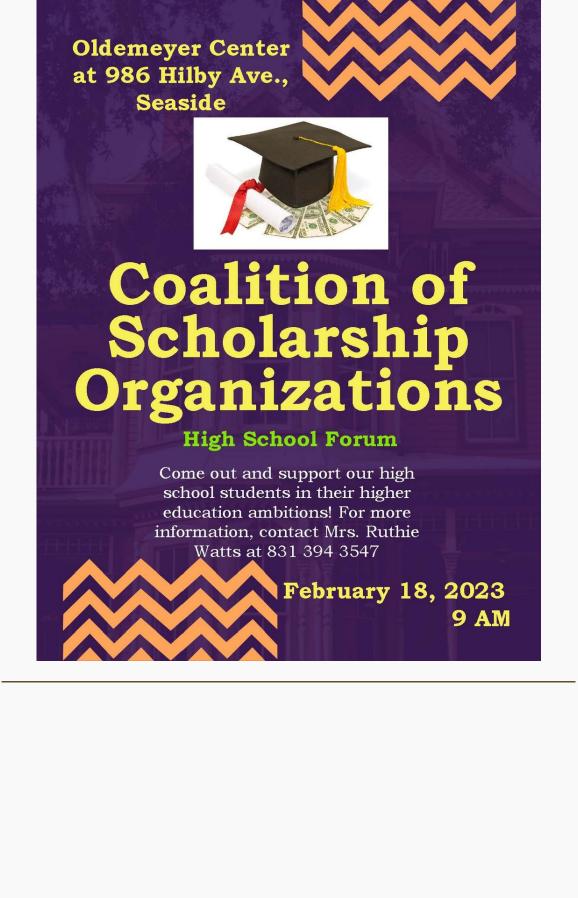
AN EMAIL! BAIACA@SAYBROOK.EDU



Black Students United at CSUMB will host several events for the month of February 2023 - Please see the calendar of events and dates below and for more information, please contact Jamie Booth, BSU President at BlackStudentsUnited@csumb.edu



about the law & how to defend themselves. BLACK LOVE MOVIE NIGHT Join us for a night of classic black love. Some will laugh and others will cry... it depends on your love life. Food & Drinks will be served. **BLACK IS BEAUTIFUL** 2/15 Do you believe that you get the recognition you deserve? Me neither. Lets shower each other in words of affirmation and talk about the stereotypes of black culture, skin & hair. FROM A BPP PERSPECTIVE 2/16 Mel Mason, a former Black Panther Party member will be discussing his experiences in one of the most revolutionary groups in Black history. You don't want to miss this. PAINT & SIP 2/22 Need some time to unwind? Join us for a night of relaxation as we paint African symbols and create abstract art. HOOD JEOPARDY Ghetto comedy, finish the lyric, things a black parent would say, throwbacks, hip hop and more. Come get your black card **BSU SURPRISE EVENT** 2/28 Stay tuned for the details of this event. All I can tell you is that it's going to be LIT! BlackStudentsUnited a Csumb.Edu







SUNDAYS: HISTORICALLY <u>BLACK</u> CHURCH TOUR

Spring, 2023

Looking to get more connected to the local Black Community or to a local Church Community? Why not do both at once by joining the Historically Black Church Tour? February 19

Friendship

Baptist Church

March 19

Hays

C.M.E. Church

April 16

Emmanuel

C.O.G.I.C

For Times and Location,

Scan QPR Code Below





FEB 19, 2023 BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM

3 to 6pm at Oldemeyer Center 986 Hilby Ave, Seaside

This is the City of Seaside's Annual Black History Month Program in which Seaside primary Black Organizations honor noteworthy community members. FREE EVENT; includes refreshments

CITY OF SEASIDE

MONTEREY BRANCH NAACP

DELTA SIGMA THETA & ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA

THE LINKS, INC.

THE VILLAGE PROJECT, INC.

CONTACT SANDRA GRAY

For more information

831 899 6811





Historical Milestones and

Prominent African Americans
Pictorial Display

Student Center February 1-27

Periodic Table of
Notable African Americans

Visit the S-Building for this fun and interactive visual display

Student Lounge 2nd Floor, S-Building

February 1-27

Film Showing

Hartnell College Planetarium S-101

Moonlight
February 8, 1:00 pm

Get Out

February 22, 1:00 pm

Visit the
Hartnell College Library
Black Authors Matter
Display



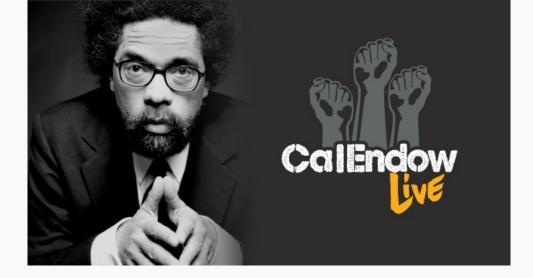






Follow @HartnellASHC Instagram for weekly posts on influential people of color.

This event is wheel chair accessible. Individuals requiring sign-language interpreters, real-time captioners, or other accommodations should contact the Office of Student Life, 831-755-6734.



Your copy should address 3 key questions: Who am I writing for? (Audience) Why should they care? (Benefit) What do I want them to do here? (Call-to-Action)

Create a great offer by adding words like "free" "personalized" "complimentary" or "customized." A sense of urgency often helps readers take an action, so think about inserting phrases like "for a limited time only" or "only 7 remaining"!





BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENTS
JOIN US EVERY WEDNESDAY IN FEBRUARY!

FREE MOVIES FOR "BLACK HISTORY MONTH," FEBRUARY.

Celebrate "Black History Month" with us as we offer FREE COMMUNITY MOVIES each Wednesday Night in the month of February. Movies are every Wednesday Night February 1, 8, 15, and 22 at the Lighthouse Cinemas (Map) in Pacific Grove. Doors open at 6pm, movie begins at 7pm.

Does anyone know anything about "Black History" other than slavery, emancipation, reconstruction, and the civil rights movement of the 1950 and 60's? In this country, can you separate Black history from American

history, and why do we know so little about this part of "our" United States history? Black Leaders and Allies Collaborative (BLAAC), led by its founder and Executive Director Dirrick Williams, a native of Pacific Grove recently victimized by <u>racial hate crime violence at the bowling alley in Monterey</u>, are compelled to bring about positive and sustainable change regarding race relations in our community.

We are starting with "FREE COMMUNITY MOVIES" which will open the door for dialogue and understanding, offer a free movie each month for the entire year, and for the month of February, in celebration of Black History Month, one FREE movie each week. "After my experience, I realized something must be done for America to realize its hope to be truly united, that's why I started "BLAAC." My hope is that everyone will come, grow, learn, and contribute to a safer, more unified community. Soon, throughout the Monterey Bay area BLAAC will facilitate "Community Conversations," a kind of Pop-Up for social awareness and healing, as a place where we can begin and nurture badly needed conversations regarding race relations in our community."

Dirrick L. Williams

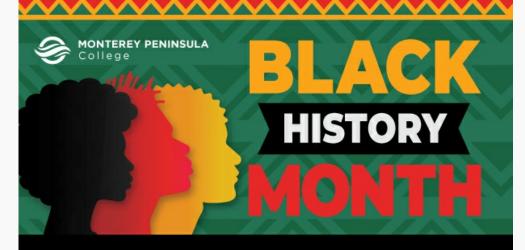
For more information about free movies and Black Leaders and Allies Collaborative:

www.blaac.org info@blaac.org 831-337-8995

FREE COMMUNITY MOVIES every Wednesday Night February 1, 8, 15, and 22 at the <u>Lighthouse Cinemas</u> (<u>Map</u>) in Pacific Grove. Doors open at 6pm, movie begins at 7pm.







Black History Month celebrates the rich cultural heritage, triumphs, and adversities that are an indelible part of our country's history.

Please join us as we celebrate the Kwanzaa principle of Umoja - "Collective Work and Responsibility" as we gather to bring perspective to the 2023 national theme of Black Resistance through these events.

The MPC Library celebrates Black History Month with special collections and exhibits for you to experience during the entire month of February.

FEB 4th

Unity Gives us Strength

A2Mend Youth Summit

Lecture Forum 103 9:00 am - 3:00 pm FEB 10th

Black Resistance in Higher Education

The Village Demands

A Virtual Event 12:00pm - 1:30 pm FEB 23rd

Alexis Scott-Speaker Invitational Luncheon

Invitational Luncheon (Umoja, BSU, A2Mend)

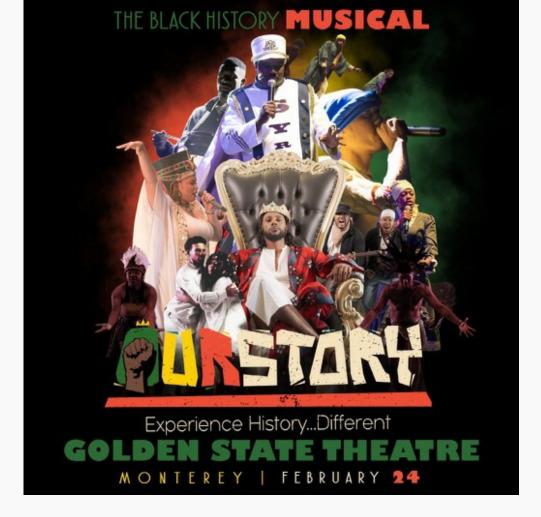
STEM Talk Lecture Forum 103 6:00pm FEB 28th

Black History as Seen at MPC

Presented by the MPC Library

Sam Karas Room 12:00 to 1:00 pm

^{*} For more information on all events visit mpc.edu/2023BlackHistory



We are bringing this Black History <u>MUSICAL</u> to your area.

With the proven success of both Hamilton and Black Panther, you and I both know your students would love to take a field trip to experience this Black History musical firsthand. Let's make this happen. We will be in your area on February 24th at the Golden State Theatre. We will be having three shows on this date, our 9:00 am and 1:00 pm shows have SOLD OUT however, one for the general audience at 7:00 pm is still available.

Please join us!

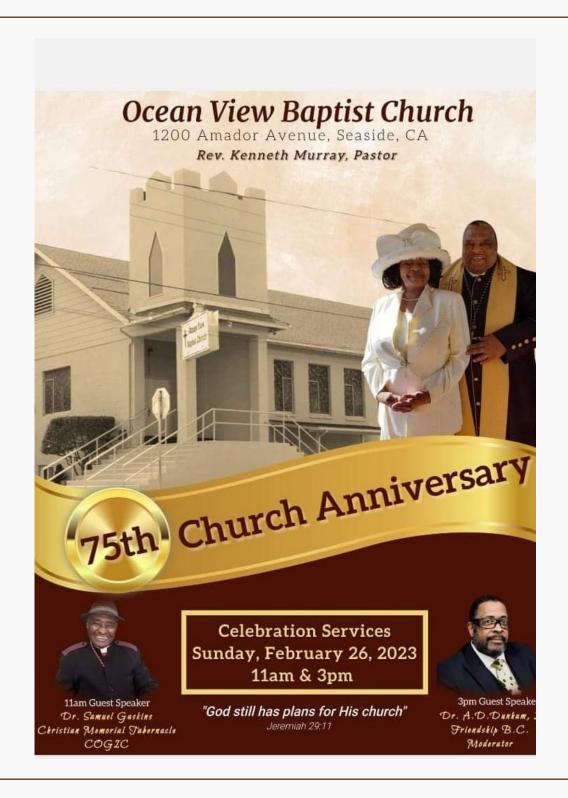




Join us Saturday, February 25th at @GenerationAve for our first Black-

Business Pop-Up Event!
\square Southern Soul Food from @cuzzos fish shak831
\square Delicious treats from <u>@evonnescheesecake</u>
☐Skin Care products and treatment information from @romeashaco
$\Box\Box$ Community resources from the <u>@montereycountyblackcaucus</u>
And of course in-store shopping available at @generationave!

Mark your calendars, invite your friends, and share with your folks! Can't wait to see y'all on the 25th!













Promotions from Juneteenth Coalition:

Youth on the course!

We are excited to announce our partnership with <u>@yocgolf</u>

If you know a young golfer ages 13-19 that would benefit from PGA level

instruction and community engagement, sign them up at https://www.juneteenthcoalition.org/obsidian.html



They are offering free annual membership to all of our Obsidian Academy members! Youth on Course is a great way to introduce the game and get kids playing golf for \$5 a round.

Scan the code on the flyer or visit YOC website to sign up for your free annual membership.

Sign up now, spots are filling up fast!

Weekly
Black
Space
Mondays,
from noon
to 1pm.
Facilitated
by Mel



For this online discussion group about all things Black, go this Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6464225667

Promotions

Mason, LCSW

from
Community
Activist
Gwen Nash









Volunteers

Please Volunteer (ONE) Friday a Month

Wosinfo2006@gmail.com 720.965.9213

Location

Greater Victory Temple COGIC 1620 Broadway Ave. Seaside, CA 93955

Hours

7:00-8:00am - Cooks 8:00-9:00am - Kit Packers 9:00-10:30am - Drivers

Drivers- (2) Vehicles distributes: in Seaside, Marina, Sand City, Monterey, Pacific Grove, etc....

Thank you in advance for your consideration

Networking Partners
Cardinale Group
Hays CME
Greater Victory Temple
Seaside Community SDA Church



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Facebook:

Monterey Bay Black Folks Calendar (Public Group, 396 members)

• About: The purpose of the Monterey Bay Black Folks Event Calendar is to connect the Black Community of CSU Monterey Bay with the local Black Communities of the Greater Monterey Bay Area.

Site Administrator: Steven Goings

NAACP Monterey County Branch 1049 (Facebook page under reconstruction)

 About: The vision of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is to ensure a society in which all individuals have equal rights without discrimination based on race.

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

• About: Founded in 1909 in response to the ongoing violence against Black people around the country, the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) is the largest and most preeminent civil rights organization in the nation. We have over 2,200 units and branches across the nation, along with well over 2M activists. Our mission is to secure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of rights in order to eliminate race-based discrimination and ensure the health and well-being of all persons.

Black Lives Matter

 About: #BlackLivesMatter is an online forum intended to build connections between Black people and our allies to fight anti-Black racism, to spark dialogue amongst Black people, and to facilitate the types of connections necessary to encourage social action and engagement.

African American Policy Forum

• About: Founded in 1996, The African American Policy Forum (AAPF) is an innovative think tank that connects academics, activists and policy-makers to promote efforts to dismantle structural inequality. We utilize new ideas and innovative perspectives to transform public discourse and policy. We promote frameworks and strategies that address a vision of racial justice that embraces the intersections of race, gender, class, and the array of barriers that disempower those who are marginalized in society. AAPF is dedicated to advancing and expanding racial justice, gender equality, and the indivisibility of all human rights, both in the U.S. and internationally.

Monterey County Black Caucus (Public Group, 174 members)

- About: Our mission for the Monterey County Black Caucus (MCBC) is to heal and empower the Black Community by cultivating leadership, by providing a safe space for Black residents to unwrap and reflect, by advocating for equity and inspiring Black culture through arts and community development
- Site Administrators: Tay Elaine, Tinisha Dunn, Robert Daniels, Rosalyn Green

Marina BIPOC & Allies (Private Group, 63 members)

• About: A group for BIPOC & allies in Marina, CA to support the BIPOC community. We support #blacklivesmatter & will center black voices on needed local changes.

Bethel Missionary Baptist Church

• Rev. Harold Hollingsworth Lusk Sr. Pastor

• The Church today REACHING TO PEOPLE WHERE THEY ARE!!

Christian Memorial Tabernacle Church of God in Christ

• Christian Memorial Tabernacle Church of God in Christ is under the Pastoral Leadership of Dr. Samuel E. Gaskins Sr.

Emmanuel Church of God in Christ

- About: Stay updated about the great things God is doing at Emmanuel COGIC here in Seaside, CA. Our Pastor is Dr. E.B. Jones and our Founder is Dr. Welton McGee!
- YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCA7zzqlu2bDCfrTmxlcH UiA

Friendship Baptist Church Seaside

 About: Friendship is one of the first Baptist Churches on the Monterey Peninsula. Many other Baptist Church's have branched off this congregation.

Greater Victory Temple Church of God in Christ

- About: Dr. Ronald Britt, Senior Pastor
- Lost souls are our priority! Each one, win one!

Hays Christian Methodist Episcopal Church

• Rev. Marvin Washington, Senior Pastor. (NEW PASTOR!)

Holy Assembly Missionary Baptist Church

• Founded in 1974 by Reverend Slade, HAMBC is a moving church being led by God in Marina, CA.

Lighthouse Full Gospel Church

 Through this Seaside branch, many lives have been influenced and souls saved. Great men and women have been equipped and sent out into the harvest field to promote the gospel and to help advance the kingdom of God.

Mt. Nebo Baptist Church Salinas

• In 1965, a group of devout Christians, finding a need for a Baptist Church in the area, assembled in the home of Sister Richardson at 1112 Del Monte Street, Salinas, California.

New Hope Baptist Church Seaside

 New Hope Missionary Baptist Church was organized February 12, 1959, in Seaside California at the home of Reverend James W. and Sister Bertha L. Paige.

New Hope Baptist Church Salinas

• About: "A Church Dedicated To Servant-hood and Discipleship"

Ocean View Baptist Church

• Rev. Kenneth Murray

Recognizing Military Service Center

- Formerly "Retired Men's Social Club"
- About: We are a Social Club. Our goal is to add to the betterment of

this community and the people of the community, by providing Scholarships to Graduating High School Seniors, Service Learning Programs and affordable Entertainment to our members and Community

LINKS, Inc. Monterey Bay Chapter

 Established in 1974, the Monterey Bay Chapter of the Links Inc, are friends that transform the community in which we serve. Through cultural, educational, & civic participation, our chapter faithfully strives to be strong, smart & bold in positive change.

Deja Blue, Seaside

- Live Jazz, Blues and Comedy in Downtown Seaside
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Useful Links:

New! County Employment Opportunities: Monterey

County Supervisor Elect Wendy Askew encourages community members to "register for job announcements from the County - and to apply for anything that seems interesting so that your resume gets into the system."

Black Business Directory

 Here is something the Monterey County Branch NAACP is working on. You can send your entries directly to lbogene@yahoo.com

Black Community Leader/Activist Archive

Check out the list and add your bio and photo to it.

Black Court Support Volunteer Sign-Ups

• We all know the so-called criminal justice system treats our folks much more harshly than others, sometimes just having community members show up at court can make a difference in how things turn out.

Black Web Sites

• Check it out or add your favorite to the list

Black Speakers Bureau for Classroom Presentations

 With so few African Americans working in our K-12 and higher education systems, our kids have too few opportunities to see professionals and role models who look like them. We are looking for Black community members and professionals who can be called on to be occasional guest speakers in local classrooms.

Updated! CSUMB Black Staff & Faculty

• Just the basic public contact and position info

Monterey Bay Historically Black Churches

• Check out the current list of churches, update existing entries or add new ones.

Monterey Bay Black Folks Weekly Event Calendar Submit to AfricanQuazar@gmail.com

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