

# WO'SE COMMUNITY



# PAN AFRICAN AFFAIRS

This newsletter includes selected information and websites to check for Pan-African events and resources. It is compiled by the WO'SE Council Elder for Pan African Affairs. You may view each monthly issue if you log on to the WO'SE Community website <http://www.wosecommunity.org/> and click on "Pan African Affairs Newsletter" under Latest News. NOTE: Past issues or subscription to receive the monthly digital copy of this publication via email will be available when the WO'SE website is revised.

NOTE: If you have suggestions for additional listings or websites, please send email info to [cjvatestt@yahoo.com](mailto:cjvatestt@yahoo.com).

**WO'SE WORSHIP SERVICE: SUNDAYS 10:30am – 12:30pm**

## **INFORMATION & ACTIVITIES FOR WO'SE / ILE OMODE SCHOOL:**

For Ile Omode School at WO'SE: <http://www.ileomode.org/>

For WO'SE: <http://www.wosecommunity.org/> OR <https://www.facebook.com/WoseCommunity/>

NOTE: The WO'SE Oakland website is currently "under construction"

For the WO'SE Community in Sacramento: <http://www.wosesacramento.com/>

## **"WHAT IS WO'SE THEOLOGY?"**

A Discussion by Baba Jahi

<http://youtu.be/Uh-IXTMrTIY>

## **"VISIONS & VICTORIES: VOICES FROM THE WORLD AFRICAN COMMUNITY"**

A Newsletter by Mxolisi Ozo Sowande, WO'SE's Minister Emeritus

<https://hcvoice.wordpress.com/about/>

**WO'SE GREETING: "ANKH, UDJA SENE!" = "May you have Life, Prosperity and Health!"**

## **JUNE 2017 / 6258 AKC (Ancient Kmt Calendar)**

**NOTE: JUNE 19<sup>th</sup> IS JUNETEENTH LIBERATION DAY !**

## **WISDOM FROM THE HUSIA**

"Follow in the footsteps of your ancestors, for the mind is trained through knowledge. Behold, their words endure in books. Open and read them and follow their wise counsel. For one who is taught becomes skilled.

Do not be evil for kindness is good. Make the memory of you last through love of you...

And the people will give thanks for your goodness and pray for your health"

From: *The Husia* (p. 50), c1984 by Maulana Karenga

## **PAN AFRICAN PROVERB / WISDOM FOR THE MONTH**

**“GUKIRA KURI NGATHO (Kikuyu language, Kenya)**

**“TO KEEP ONE’S TONGUE IS WORTHY OF PRAISE” (Translation)**

**“SILENCE IS GOLDEN” (English Equivalent)**

**From: “1000 Kikuyu Proverbs” / 1960 by G. Barra**

**Published by Kenya Literature Bureau**

## **PAN AFRICAN MISSIONS FOR THE DECADE...LET’S DO IT !!!**

### **“INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR PEOPLE OF AFRICAN DESCENT”**

This is a United Nations Resolution that covers the decade from January 1, 2015 until December 31, 2024, with the theme “People of African Descent: Recognition, Justice and Development”. Check details in the links below. If you have any project / program suggestions or contributions for this very special mission of the decade, please contact the

WO’SE Pan African Affairs Elder at: [cjyatestt@yahoo.com](mailto:cjyatestt@yahoo.com)

UN Links for events and other info: <http://www.un.org/en/events/africandescentdecade/upcoming-events.shtml>

AND [http://www.un.org/pga/101214\\_launch-international-decade-people-african-descent/](http://www.un.org/pga/101214_launch-international-decade-people-african-descent/) AND

<http://www.un.org/en/events/africandescentdecade/index.shtml>

### **STATE OF THE BLACK WORLD CONFERENCE (SOBWC) IV**

Held November 2016, and includes Conference summary, program, declaration and more. Special workshops on reparations, the Afro family, Afro economic issues and implications for the Pan African world.

<http://sobwc.ibw21.org/>

### **THE KILIMANJARO DECLARATION**

#### **Africans Rising for Justice, Peace and Dignity**

On 23-24 August 2016, two hundred and seventy two representatives from civil society, trade unions, women, young people, men, people living with disabilities, parliamentarians, media organizations and faith-based groups, from across Africa and the African Diaspora gathered in Arusha, Tanzania and committed to build a pan-African movement that recognizes these rights and freedoms of our People. Read (and sign) the Declaration on the website below.

<http://www.africans-rising.org/2016/08/24/the-kilimanjaro-declaration/>

## **REPARATIONS PROJECTS: NATIONAL / REGIONAL / INTERNATIONAL**

If you are interested in or planning any local or global Reparations project / program please contact the  
WO'SE Pan African Affairs Elder at: [cjyatestt@yahoo.com](mailto:cjyatestt@yahoo.com)

### **JUNE 22 - 25, 2017: 28TH ANNUAL NATIONAL NCobra CONFERENCE**

<http://www.ncobraonline.org/events-page/28th-annual-national-ncobra-conference/>

### **RESULTS OF THE "INTERNATIONAL REPARATIONS SUMMIT"**

Check this website for the summary of the summit that was held April 9 – 11, 2015 and for follow-up events:  
<http://ibw21.org/promotion/final-communique-click-here-to-read/> OR 410-844-1031

### **NATIONAL AFRICAN AMERICAN REPARATIONS COMMISSION (NAARC) PRELIMINARY 10-POINT REPARATIONS PLAN: CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS CONFERENCE, 2015**

The 10-Point Reparations Plan developed by NAARC at the Congressional Black Caucus September 2015 Conference.  
<http://ibw21.org/summit/>

## **JUNE 19<sup>th</sup> IS JUNETEENTH LIBERATION DAY !**

### **WHAT IS JUNETEENTH?**

Juneteenth is an annual observance to celebrate the date Union soldiers enforced the Emancipation Proclamation freeing all remaining slaves in Galveston, Texas, on June 19, 1865. Texas was the last state in rebellion, following the end of the Civil War, to allow enslavement. Although the rumors of freedom were widespread prior to this, actual emancipation was not announced in the last state practicing enslavement until General Gordon Granger came to Galveston, Texas and issued [General Order #3](#), on the "[19th of June](#)", almost two and a half years after President Abraham Lincoln signed the [Emancipation Proclamation](#).

### **NATIONAL JUNETEENTH OBSERVANCE FOUNDATION**

<http://www.nationaljuneteenth.com/>

The website provides links to extensive information for JUNETEENTH, including: celebrations, initiatives, archives, symbols, news, reconciliations, store and much more.

### **FOR BAY AEA JUNETEENTH EVENTS CHECK PAGES 8 + 10 – 13 OF THIS NEWSLETTER**

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## **CURRENT PROGRAMS & EVENTS AT WO'SE / ILE OMODE**

**WO'SE, 8924 Holly Street, Oakland, CA 94621**

**Need more information for any event at WO'SE / Ile Omode?**

**Call 510-632-8230 OR Visit the websites:**

**For Ile Omode School at WO'SE: <http://www.ileomode.org/>**

**For WO'SE: <http://www.wosecommunity.org/> OR <https://www.facebook.com/WoseCommunity/>**

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**NOTE: WO'SE SERVICES ARE HELD EVERY SUNDAY AT 10:30 AM, WITH "SPECIAL" SESSIONS LISTED BELOW.  
ALL SUNDAY SERVICES ARE FOLLOWED BY A KARAMU (COMMUNITY FEAST)**

### **WO'SE NEW LIFE SEMINARY (NLS) CLASSES FOR "NEW & OLD" MEMBERS**

**(Sundays), 9 – 10:15 am**

Current NLS sessions are being organized and facilitated by Brother Jahi; with a focus on WO'SE past, present and future. "Where Do We Go From Here?" Contact Brother / Professor Keita if you have any questions (209-981-2110).

### **WO'SE "STONES OF FIRE" CHOIR**

**June 4<sup>th</sup> and June 18<sup>th</sup> (Sundays), part of the 10:30 am service**

On the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays, WO'SE's much praised "Stones of Fire" choir will share inspiring songs from Africa and the African Diaspora. Enjoy the artistic vocal, rhythmic and soul stirring performances that will be enhanced with a spiritual message by a WO'SE Minister. The Karamu follows.

### **WO'SE MUSIC SERVICE**

**June 11<sup>th</sup> and June 25<sup>th</sup> (Sundays), part of the 10:30 am service**

These two special monthly services on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays will be interlaced with soul inspiring music by Brother David Goodlett and friends; and will be enhanced with a spiritual message by a WO'SE Minister. The Karamu follows.

### WO'SE SUMMER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION

June 18<sup>th</sup> (Sunday), 10 am

**NOTE: Service is at the park. There will be no service or NLS class at the WO'SE building on this day.**

Ancient Nile Valley Civilizations celebrated the summer solstice as the most important day of the year. This is the day that the sun reaches its highest point, and the Nile River begins to rise, marking the "Opening of the Way." WO'SE's annual ceremony to celebrate the Summer Solstice will be at Robert's Recreation Area, 10570 Skyline Boulevard, Oakland (94619). Wear comfortable clothing for outdoors and / or the commemorative hike. Please bring an inspirational item for the alter, and food or drink to contribute to the Karamu / community buffet (no pork or alcohol). Bring a Friend! NOTE: in addition to the Solstice, there will also be a commemoration for JUNTEENTH and an honorary message for FATHERS' DAY.

More info or to check changes: 510-390-2130 / For park details: <http://www.ebparks.org/parks/roberts>

### ILE OMODE 2017 SUMMER CAMP SESSION

June 19<sup>th</sup> – August 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:30am – 5:30pm, Monday – Friday

**For enrollment, please contact Ile Omode ASAP (510-632-8230)**

The Ile Omode Summer Program offers a comprehensive camp with daily activities including, music, arts, sports, swimming, dancing, technology, fun Friday fieldtrips and school readiness (Language arts and math).

Camp Goers are Kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Cost for the 8 weeks program includes lunch, but there are additional fees for fieldtrips and other optional programs.

## SELECTED BAY AREA EVENTS FOR JUNE 2017

**NOW UNTIL JUNE 3 (use contact info below for viewing dates and times); No fee**

### **“MY ART, MY CULTURE III: WOMEN, MEDIA AND THE MOVEMENT”**

The 2017 spring season begins with a revival of the “My Art, My Culture” exhibition and program series, on view through May; and includes new works from Yetunde Olagbaju and Shana Lancaster. “MAMC III: Women, Media and the Movement” will continue the tradition of highlighting woman artists across a spectrum of mediums, from performance to digital media – locally and globally, online and offline. Check for programs and events. NOTE: The Betti Ono Gallery is 100% Black women led and operated, dedicated to amplifying the work and voices of under-represented artists.

**Betti Ono Gallery, 1427 Broadway, Oakland 94612**

**More info: 510-473-5919 OR <https://bettiono.com/2017/03/24/my-art-my-culture-iii/>**

**NOW UNTIL JUNE 17, Sundays @ 2 pm, Thursdays – Saturdays @ 8 pm; \$20+**

**NOTE: when you purchase a ticket, hold on to the stub and use it as a voucher for the run of the show.**

### **“HENRIETTA LACKS / HELA”**

This is the world premiere of “HeLa”, a new play that evokes and explores the story of Henrietta Lacks, the African-American woman whose hard life and young death produced the most powerful line of immortal cells the world has ever seen. This lyrical theatrical mash up will explore the science, legacy, tragedy, poetry, and universal truths that one woman’s story and biology can offer the world. The book entitled “The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks” and the documentary with Oprah Winfrey that was shown on HBO have received international praises. The play is by Lauren Gunderson and Geetha Reddy; with dramaturgy by Lisa Marie Rollins; and is directed by Evren Odickin.

**THEATREFIRST, 1301 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley 94709**

**More info / Tickets: 510-981-8150 OR <http://theatrefirst.com/hela/>**

**JUNE 1 (Thursday), 12:30 – 1:30pm; No fee**

### **“HOWARD WILEY & EXTRA NAPPY”**

Tenor saxophonist Howard Wiley from the Bay Area is a protégé of the dynamic Miss Faye Carol. He is steeped in a vast array of African-American idioms, from gospel, blues and jazz to R&B, funk and hip-hop. His currents flow along with “Extra Nappy”, featuring Alameda-raised drummer Thomas Pridgen, pianist/organist Lionel “LJ” Holoman and bassist Michael “Tiny” Lindsey. Wiley’s quartet plays grooves with such a deep pocket it’s not just nappy, it’s “Extra Nappy”.

**Yerba Buena Gardens / Esplanade, Mission Street (between 3rd & 4th Streets), San Francisco**

**More info: 415-543-1718 OR <https://ybgfestival.org/event/howard-wiley/>**

**JUNE 1 - 3 (Thursday - Saturday), Check website for daily events; No fee**

**"10TH ANNUAL BLACK HEALTH AND HEALING SUMMIT"**

**SANKOFA: the wisdom of learning from the past to build for the future!**

The Rafiki Coalition for Health and Wellness presents this 3-day Summit to bring participants a rich experience of inspiration, spirit, culture and creativity. Offerings include a special talk by Dr. Joy DeGruy entitled "Building the Village: What Healing Looks Like", a 2-day series in which she shares from her deep knowledge and experience for healing Black / African American communities. Other highlights include: Community Drumming with Dr. Sal Nunez; performance by WolfHawkJaguar and the Prosperity Movement; Destiny the Harpist From the Hood; the magical healing powers of OSHUN, Sunni Patterson, Osunfemi Wanbi Njeri; and a panel of Bay Area experts addressing health disparities on the State of Black San Francisco. There will also be: in-depth workshops that examine the root causes of health inequalities; a panel of Rafiki's experts on Community Complementary Medicine and Working Within the African American Community; nutrition demonstrations on Healthy Eating with samplings of healthy, soulful nutrition; and an opportunity to shop with African American vendors and visit information tables of community organizations.

**Rafiki Coalition, 601 Cesar Chavez Street, San Francisco 94124**

**More info / Registration: 415.615.9945, ext. 101 (Julie Harris) OR**

**<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/rafiki-coalition-10th-annual-black-health-healing-summit-tickets-33508839842?invite=&err=41&referrer=&discount=&affiliate=&eventpassword=&w=&selecteddate=>**

**JUNE 2 (Friday), 6 – 9 pm (Talk @ 7pm); No fee**

**"MOOD CITY: ARTIST TALK"**

Joyce Gordon Gallery presents a talk with the artist of "Mood City," a photographic exhibition of the Bay Area through the artistic lens of Philip Hennen. Philip Hennen's photographic art is rooted in urban reality, but a reality with wings. It is his personal way to define and clarify the world around him. NOTE: the exhibit will be on site until July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Joyce Gordon Gallery, 406 14th Street, Oakland 94612**

**More info: 510-465-8928 OR [www.joycegordongallery.com](http://www.joycegordongallery.com)**

**JUNE 2 (Friday, 7 pm) + JUNE 3 (Saturday, 10 am), check website for details and events; No fee**

**"4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SACRAMENTO BLACK BOOK FAIR"**

The Blue Nile Press, the Black Group, and Community Sponsors, present this event in Historic Oak Park. The 2017 Theme is "Black Books Matter: The Truth of Our Many Selves". The Sacramento Black Book Fair celebrates African-American literature through panel discussions, book signings and talks with writers. In addition to books, vendors will offer food and cultural gifts. There will also be poetry readings, art displays and children's activities. Readers get opportunities to meet, hear from and experience a large selection of acclaimed authors. NOTE: check the website for additional venues.

**Historic Center of Oak Park, 35th Street & Broadway, Sacramento 95817**

**More info: 916-484-3749 OR <http://www.sacramentoblackbookfair.com/schedule.html>**



**JUNE 3 (Saturday) UNTIL APRIL 1, 2018, check website below for details on days, hours, fees and events**

**“REVELATIONS: ART FROM THE AFRICAN AMERICAN SOUTH”**

The exhibit features the acquisition from the Souls Grown Deep Foundation in Atlanta, of 62 works by contemporary African American artists from the Southern United States. The cultural origins of these artworks can be traced back to the African Diaspora, slavery, and the Jim Crow era of institutionalized racism, which restricted both physical freedom and freedom of expression for African Americans. Included in the current acquisition are paintings, sculptures, drawings, and quilts by 22 acclaimed artists including: Thornton Dial, Ralph Griffin, Bessie Harvey, Lonnie Holley, Joe Light, Ronald Lockett, Joe Minter, Jessie T. Pettway, Mary T. Smith, Mose Tolliver, Annie Mae Young, and Purvis Young.

**De Young Museum / Golden Gate Park, 50 Hagiwara Tea Garden Drive, San Francisco 94118**

**More info / Tickets: 415-750-3600 OR <https://deyoung.famsf.org/exhibitions/revelations-art-african-american-south>**

**JUNE 3 (Saturday, 9 am – 8:30 pm) + JUNE 4 (Sunday, 11 am – 1:30 pm); \$20+**

**“ART + RACE CONFERENCE”**

The Art + Race Conference is a convergence of Provocation, Strategy and Beauty! It means that visual artists, writers, musicians, dancers, and filmmakers who are also community organizers, academics, politicians, philanthropists, entrepreneurs and others will come together to reimagine the role and impact that race plays in every aspect of their creative lives. The conference is presented by Ashara Ekundayo, Curator/Producer of AECreative/Omi Gallery at Impact Hub Oakland, and Mike Nicholls, Art Director of Umber Magazine. Ticket prices (\$20 to \$60) include lunch.

**IMPACT HUB Oakland, 2323 Broadway, Oakland 94612**

**More info / Register: Ashara Ekundayo, 303-260-9209 OR**

**[http://www.artandrace.com/?goal=0\\_1a3e013157-0cd1afb69b-75920373&mc\\_cid=0cd1afb69b&mc\\_eid=f3b2ec1c7b](http://www.artandrace.com/?goal=0_1a3e013157-0cd1afb69b-75920373&mc_cid=0cd1afb69b&mc_eid=f3b2ec1c7b)**

**JUNE 3 (Saturday), 1 - 4 pm; No fee**

**“ENVISIONING COMMUNITY CARE FOR PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS”**

Join the Alameda County Jail Fight Coalition for a Town Hall envisioning of what it would look like to provide #CareNotCages to members of our community with mental illness. This will be a space for learning and discussion for directly impacted people, their family and friends, service providers, activists, elected officials and all others concerned with the over incarceration of people with mental illness. The event is hosted by the Alameda County Jail Fight Coalition.

If you are in need of childcare, please contact [hollydelanycole@gmail.com](mailto:hollydelanycole@gmail.com)

**East Side Arts Alliance 2277 International Blvd, Oakland, California 94606**

**More info: 408-499-7912 OR <https://www.facebook.com/events/693687954148544/>**

**JUNE 3 (Saturday), 8:30 – 11 pm; \$25+**

**“JULIA CHIGAMBA AND THE CHINYAKARE ENSEMBLE LIVE CONCERT”**

This event is going to be a night filled with excitement, energy and cultural celebration. Chinyakare presents an electrifying performance of the traditional dance, music, and culture of Zimbabwe and Southern Africa. The music (played on mbira, Ngoma, marimbas, and chi pendant), songs, and dance weave colorful stories that show scenes from everyday life, while teaching important life lessons, such as goal-setting, perseverance, and thankfulness.

**The Black Repertory Group Theater, 3201 Adeline Street, Berkeley 94703**

**More info / Tickets: 415-794-3230 OR**

**<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/chinyakare-ensemble-live-saturday-june-3rd-tickets-32351695793>**

**JUNE 4 (Sunday), 1 – 5 pm; No fee**

**“JUNETEENTH: CELEBRATING OUR FUTURE BY UNSHACKLING OUR PAST”**

Join this Juneteenth event, also known as Juneteenth Independence Day or Freedom Day, and bring a dish to share for the potluck! There will be vendors, edutainment, displays, information booths and more. There will also be a "Social Justice is Always in Fashion" fashion show along with special guests Darlene Tellis, violinist Kippys Marks and Al Zaid who will be singing some Motown classics. It plans to be a fabulous day for having fun at this family friendly event.

Additional activities will be held at the nearby Library.

**Davis Veterans Memorial Center located at 203 E 14th St, Davis, California 95616**

**More info: 530-902-4534 OR <http://www.davisjuneteenth.org/> OR**

**<http://www.sacculturalhub.com/community/975-davis-juneteenth-celebration>**

**JUNE 6 (Tuesday), 5 – 7pm; No fee**

**“BUILDING SUSTAINABLE FATHERS, A CULTURE-BASED FATHERHOOD SERIES”**

Building Sustainable Fathers (BSF) provides fathers with a 10-week exploration of manhood as a pre-requisite of effective fatherhood. Utilizing the transformative curriculum of CBTC (Culture Based Transformative Coaching) participants are able to define and/or redefine manhood, culture, relationships, work, and acquire the tools needed to manage these critical areas associated with effectively fathering for the long haul.

**West Oakland Job Resource Center, 1801 Adeline St, Oakland 94607**

**More info / Register: 510-504-0536 OR 510-564-4240 OR**

**<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/building-sustainable-fathers-a-culture-based-fatherhood-series-tickets-33551555606>**

**JUNE 6 – 18 (check website for event locations, days, times and fees)**

**“35TH SAN FRANCISCO JAZZ FESTIVAL”**

Check the website below to make your selection from 43 concerts, 13 days and 5 venues in the Hayes Valley! The performers will include: Lizz Wright, Cory Henry, Derrick Hodge, Stanley Clarke, Bokante, Monty Alexander and others.

**NOTE: JUNE 6 (Tuesday), 5 – 10 pm Kickoff Celebration is FREE**

This will open the Festival with live music plus classic jazz films, a beer garden, and food trucks.

**Hayes Valley Outdoor Proxy Space at the Corner of Octavia & Hayes Streets**

**More info / Tickets: 866-920-5299 OR <https://sfjazz.org/events/35sfif>**

**JUNE 7 (Wednesday), 6:30 - 9 pm; Fee: \$10 (general) / \$5 (student, senior) / Free for MoAD Members**

**“CHASING TRANE: THE JOHN COLTRANE DOCUMENTARY”**

John Coltrane is an international musical legacy whose music both transformed listeners and inspired other musicians.

“Chasing Trane” is a reverent and comprehensive documentary that includes rare footage of his concerts, television appearances, studio sessions and never before seen photos. It also includes commentary about Coltrane’s significance with other world musicians and leaders including Wayne Shorter, McCoy Tyner, Carlos Santana, Bill Clinton, and Cornel

West. Coltrane’s music provides the film’s soundtrack, and Denzel Washington reads Coltrane’s words.

An introduction and post-screening discussion will be led by Dr. Teodross Avery, a musician, recording artist and jazz scholar. This is the last screening for the “Love City Picture Show” series coordinated by Cornelius Moore.

**Museum of the African Diaspora / MoAD, 685 Mission Street, San Francisco 94105**

**More info / Tickets: 415-358-7200**

**<http://www.moadsf.org/event/love-city-picture-show-chasing-trane-the-john-coltrane-documentary/>**

**JUNE 8 (Thursday), 6:30 – 8:30 pm; \$10 (general) / Free for MoAD & CHS Members**  
**“PSYCHEDELIC SOUL: BLACK CULTURAL AWAKENING DURING THE SUMMER OF LOVE”**  
**“AWAKENINGS: ENCOUNTER #1”**

Explore the emerging elements of the Black psychedelic impulse and how the arts began to play an effective role in uprooting presumptions of the institutions of the day. “Awakenings” is the first of three panel discussions in the series “Psychedelic Soul,” presented by the Museum of the African Diaspora (MoAD) and the California Historical Society. Panel includes: Dr. Lewis Watts (UC Santa Cruz), R.G.Davis, PhD (Founder and Director of the SF Mime Troupe 1964), and Rosa Lee Brooks (singer and music producer). The panel will be moderated by Rickey Vincent (Lecturer at UC Berkeley).

**California Historical Society, 678 Mission Street, San Francisco 94105**

**More info / Tickets: 415-358-7200 OR 415-357-1848 OR [http://www.moadsf.org/event/psychedelic-soul-black-cultural-awakening-during-the-summer-of-love-encounter-1-awakenings/?instance\\_id=13780](http://www.moadsf.org/event/psychedelic-soul-black-cultural-awakening-during-the-summer-of-love-encounter-1-awakenings/?instance_id=13780)**

**JUNE 9 (Friday), 6:30 pm; No fee**  
**“BECOMING MS. BURTON: FROM PRISON TO RECOVERY**  
**TO LEADING THE FIGHT FOR INCARCERATED WOMEN”**

This book shares one woman’s remarkable odyssey from tragedy to prison to recovery; and her recognition as a leading figure in the national justice reform movement. Becoming Ms. Burton not only humanizes the deleterious impact of mass incarceration, it also points the way to the kind of structural and policy changes that will offer formerly incarcerated people the possibility of a life of meaning and dignity. Join the book signing and discussion!

**Oakland Marcus Books, 3900 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Oakland 94609**

**More info: 510-652-2344 OR <http://marcusbooksoakland.com/events/becoming-ms-burton/>**

**JUNE 10 (Saturday), 9 am (exact time): No fee**  
**“INTERNATIONAL LIBATION FOR AFRICAN ANCESTORS OF THE MIDDLE PASSAGE”**

The Commemoration will start at 9 AM sharp since participants may plan to join others that are remembering African Ancestors of the Middle Passage this weekend as well. Wear white, bring instruments, something creative to share like a poem or story from your ancestral treasure chest. Check website for videos and other info.

**Lake Merritt, E. 18th Street at Lakeshore Drive (@ the fountain platform), Oakland 94606**

**<http://maafasanfranciscobayarea.blogspot.com/2017/05/libations-for-ancestors-san-francisco.html>**

**JUNE 10 (Saturday), 10 am – 4 pm: Call 877-245-6232 to confirm entry fee**  
**“JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION AT SHUTTLESWORTH ”**

Juneteenth is the oldest known celebration of the ending of slavery. It was on June 19th, that the Union soldiers, led by Major General Gordon Granger, landed at Galveston, Texas with news that the war had ended and that all slaves were now free. This was two and a half years after President Lincoln’s Emancipation Proclamation, which had become official on January 1, 1863. This day is celebrated by African Americans in honor of their ancestors who received notice of being set free on June 19, 1865. The Celebration will have great entertainment, great speakers and of course, fabulous free tours of the historic buildings, given by the Friends of Allensworth docents.

The Allensworth was founded in 1908 and is one of the oldest settlements by person of African Descent in California.

**Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park, Star Route 1, Box 148, Earlimart CA 93219 (check website for directions)**

**More info: 877-245-6232 OR [www.friendsofallensworth.com](http://www.friendsofallensworth.com)**

**JUNE 10 (Saturday), 11 am - 1 pm: No fee**

**“JUNETEENTH: RITUAL OF REMEMBRANCE”**

The Omnira Institute commemorates the enslaved people in the United States who died before freedom came. There will be ancestor chants in the Yoruba language, freedom songs from the 'Ring Shout' tradition and a recitation of the Emancipation Proclamation, the news of which didn't reach the enslaved people in Texas until June 19, 1865. The Oakland based Omnira Institute is dedicated to honoring and preserving African-American history and its link to Africa. Join the ceremony with Bata Drums, Ring Shout, Prayers and Testimony. Wear white and bring a snack to share.

**Lake Merritt Boat House (Picnic Area), 562 Bellevue Avenue, Oakland 94610**

**More info / Register:** <https://www.facebook.com/omnirainstitute> OR

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/juneteenth-ritual-of-remembrance-tickets-34761123456?aff=efbeventtix>

**JUNE 10 (Saturday), 1 – 5pm; \$30+**

**“MOAD VANGUARD PRESENTS: VIVE L'AFRIQUE”**

Join the MoAD Vanguard for a colorful celebration of the French and Spanish speaking countries of the African Diaspora! This party-with-a-purpose will have your favorite music and will introduce you to new diaspora sounds from Ankara to Kente and patterns in between. Proceeds from Vive L'Afrique will help fund MoAD's exhibitions and educational programs that provide and promote outstanding works of fine art from the African Diaspora. You will enjoy music, dancing, networking, and refreshments that include delicious bites.

**111 Minna Gallery, 111 Minna Street, San Francisco 94105**

**More info / Tickets:** <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/moad-vanguard-presents-vive-lafrigue-tickets-34480204219>

**JUNE 15 (Thursday), 10 pm (doors open 9:45 pm); \$28**

**“DEAD PREZ with FEAT. M1 and STIC.MAN”**

Dead Prez is the pair of politically militant rappers, Stic.Man and M-1. They have become known for their hard-hitting style and socialist lyrics, focusing on anti-racism, anti-capitalism, critical pedagogy, as well as activism against social injustice and corporate control over the media (especially hip-hop record labels.)

**Yoshi's Oakland, 510 Embarcadero West (Jack London Square), Oakland 94607**

**More info / Tickets:** 510-238-9200 OR <http://www.yoshis.com/event/1455863-dead-prez-oakland/>

**JUNE 15 - 18 (Thursday – Sunday), Check website for films, screening locations, times and fees**

**“SFBFF XIX / 19<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SAN FRANCISCO BLACK FILM FESTIVAL”**

The Festival presents Afro films which reinforce positive images, dispel negative stereotypes, and provide Bay Area and global film artists of African Descent with a forum for their work to be viewed and discussed. Films must feature actors representing the African Diaspora. In addition to the screening of over 50 films, the SFBFF will include many special events. There will be forums discussing the state of Independent Film; live performances; and discussions that focus on music documentaries. Those in the film industry can attend workshops to find out how to get their project done within budget parameters and find out how DIY are getting the job done. This festival is for everyone and everyone is invited!

NOTE: There are various locations for film screenings – check website for details.

**More info / Tickets:** 770-369-3776 OR <http://sfbff.org/wordpress/2017-full-schedule>

**JUNE 16 (Friday), 11 am – 2 pm (+ 9 – 11 am workshop); \$85+**

**“2017 ANNUAL SFAACC JUNETEENTH BUSINESS AWARDS LUNCHEON”**

The theme for this year’s event by the SFAACC (San Francisco African American Chamber of Commerce) is: "Fostering Innovation, Knowledge, Capital and Relationships". This annual gathering will begin with a “Special Wealth Building Workshop” from 9 – 11 am presented by Prudential for lunch ticket holders. The workshop is open to all with Luncheon ticket purchase, and continental breakfast is provided. The VIP Networking Reception will begin at 11 am, and the Luncheon & Program will be from 11:30 am – 2 pm.

**San Francisco Marriott Marquis, 55 Fourth Street, San Francisco 94103**

**More info / Tickets: 415-749-6400 OR <http://www.sfaacc.org/2017-juneteenth-event>**

**JUNE 16 (Friday), 7:30 – 9:30 pm (No Entry After 7:45pm); check contact below for fees**

**“MINDFUL DRUMMING”**

Mindful Drumming is an ancient indigenous technology that uses the twin realities of rhythm and sound to bring about an alignment of body, mind and spirit. Mindful drumming is a path to evoke the joy of our ancestors and their timeless wisdom. Mindful drumming assists in building community; and is a transformative learning process that offers individuals opportunities to experience divinity through rhythm and sound. The master drummer / facilitator is Kokomon Clotey, MBA and Executive Director of the Attitudinal Healing Connection, who is from Ghana. He is the author of “Mindful Drumming: Ancient Wisdom for Unleashing the Human Spirit”, and he has produced three CDs.

**Attitudinal Healing, 3278 West Street, Oakland 94608**

**More info / Register: 510-652-5530 OR [www.ahc-oakland.org](http://www.ahc-oakland.org)**

**JUNE 17 (Saturday), 9:30 am – 4:30 pm; Contributions / Donations appreciated**

**“HEALING BLACK LIVES: A DAY OF RENEWAL FOR ACTIVISTS OF AFRICAN DESCENT”**

This retreat is organized to be a special day of healing and renewal for activists of African Descent. It will focus on: Practices for sustainability, resilience, and spiritual well-being; Free mini-sessions with healing practitioners; Community connection and support; Finding strength in ourselves and one another; Sharing hopes and visions; and Gathering in sacred space. The event will be facilitated by Rev. Kamal Hassan & Leah Kimble-Price, LMFT. Please bring a dish to share for the potluck lunch, a re-fillable water bottle (we will have filtered water available for you), a journal or notebook, and anything you need to be comfortable for the day. The retreat is provided by the OneLife Institute.

**Lake Merritt United Methodist Church, 1255 - 1st Avenue, Oakland 94606 (On-site parking)**

**More info: 510-595-5598 OR <http://www.onelifeinstitute.org/classesevents.html>**

**JUNE 17 (Saturday), 12 – 6 pm; No admission fee**

**“MOAD MAKERS MART”**

MoAD is hosting its first “Maker Mart” that will feature talented, local and international artists that create handmade, unique, limited edition products that reflect the African Diaspora contemporary experience. This is a public event, but if you are interested in contributing your artwork, request and complete the [Makers Mart Vendor Application](http://www.moadsf.org/event/9283/).

**MoAD / Museum of the African Diaspora, 685 Mission Street, San Francisco 94105**

**More info: 415-358-7200 OR <http://www.moadsf.org/event/9283/>**

**JUNE 17 (Saturday), 1 – 4 pm; No fee**

**“JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION”**

Join the celebration with the West Oakland Branch Library for a “community sing “ of spirituals and bread breaking feast in celebration of Juneteenth, the day in 1865 when news of the Emancipation Proclamation finally reached the enslaved in Texas. The event for all ages will be presented by the Friends of Negro Spiritual.

**West Oakland Branch Library, 1801 Adeline Street, Oakland 94607**

**More info: 510-238-7352 OR <http://oaklandlibrary.org/events/west-oakland-branch/juneteenth-celebration>**

**JUNE 17 (Saturday), 2 - 4 pm; No fee**

**“GRAFRICA: ART GALLERY WALKING TOUR”**

This special tour of art exhibits in downtown Oakland will focus on the African experience, and will be led by Ashara Ekundayo of Omi Gallery. There will be short presentations from curators or artists at each location.

**Meet promptly at: Omi Gallery (Impact Hub), 2323 Broadway, Oakland 94612**

**More info: 510-858-2323 OR <https://oaklandartmurmur.org/walking-tours/>**

**JUNE 18 (Sunday), 10 am – 6 pm; No fee**

**“67<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SF JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION –**

**151<sup>st</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION”**

The San Francisco Juneteenth Festival Committee is committed to continue the historical tradition of our ancestors by celebrating this holiday to nurture and facilitate the empowerment of our community through education, partnerships, and interaction with community resources that our committed to community enrichment. Juneteenth Celebration activities will include: ✕ a “Prince Tribute” (with special guests from the original band), ✕ 5 stages of live contemporary artists, ✕ a Parade and SFUSD Honor Roll March, ✕ a Health and Wellness Fair with free health screenings and healthy cooking demos, ✕ The Uhuru “Freedom” African Experience Village, ✕ a Black Astronauts Exhibit, ✕ the Traveling Black Inventions Museum, ✕ 75 Arts & Crafts booths, ✕ community resource tables and a variety of food vendors. Children’s activities will include a Kids Zone with live performances by the Prescott Circus Theatre & Circus Bella, pony rides, petting zoo, face painting, and carnival rides. There will also be: film screenings by the San Francisco Black Film Festival at 2 locations; the 40th Anniversary of Root’s DVD give away and special screening of unseen footage; and more!

**Fillmore District - Fillmore Street between Sutter & Turk Streets, San Francisco**

**More info / Vendor signups / Events: 510-692-2514 (Rachel Townsend, Event Coordinator OR <http://www.sfjuneteenth.com/>**

**JUNE 18 (Sunday), 11 am – 7 pm; No fee**

**“30<sup>th</sup> BERKELEY JUNETEENTH FESTIVAL”**

The annual “Juneteenth-in-Berkeley” will include: 2 entertainment stages; Health Screenings and Workshops by Alameda County health agencies; “Two-on-Two” Basketball Tourney; Historical Exhibits; and “Art for Children” & “For-Fun” activities. The Festival has been produced since 1987 by the non-profit Berkeley Juneteenth Association, Inc. in South Berkeley. Renamed in 2014 as The Berkeley Juneteenth Cultural Celebrations (BJCC), the organization remains committed to: educating future generations about the history and accomplishments of African Americans; creating programming that highlights our music and culture; and acknowledging people and events that have brought us “A Mighty Long Way” as a community. Food and Arts/Crafts Vendors will also be there.

**The 5-block Alcatraz-Adeline Corridor near the Ashby BART Station, Berkeley**

**More info: 510-524-8804 OR <http://berkeleyjuneteenth.org/>**



**JUNE 23 + 24 (Friday + Saturday), Check website for times (doors open 15 min before event); \$34+**

**“EARL KLUGH: GRAMMY®-WINNING GUITAR VIRTUOSO”**

Since Klugh released his inaugural album in 1976, the Detroit-born master of the acoustic-classical guitar has become one of the most imitated icons of the instrument. 24 of his discs have been on Billboard’s top-10 list of jazz albums and 6 made it to the No. 1 slot. Klugh’s recordings also received 13 GRAMMY® nominations (the latest for HandPicked) – and his collaboration with pianist Bob James won the 1980 GRAMMY® Award for Best Pop Instrumental Album.

**Yoshi's Oakland, 510 Embarcadero West (Jack London Square), Oakland 94607**

**More info / Tickets: 510-238-9200 OR <http://www.yoshis.com/event/1441102-earl-klugh-oakland/>**

**JUNE 25 (Sunday), 2 pm (also pre-show); No fee / arrive early for space**

**“KOOL & THE GANG + PRE-SHOW WITH QUINN DEVEAUX”**

Stern Grove Festival's 80th Season kicks off in a big way with The Big Picnic starring the Multi-GRAMMY award-winning funk band, KOOL & THE GANG! The group has sold over 70 million albums worldwide and influenced the music of three generations. Thanks to songs like "Celebration", "Cherish," "Jungle Boogie," and "Open Sesame," they’ve earned two GRAMMY Awards, seven American Music Awards, 25 Top Ten R&B hits, nine Top Ten Pop hits, and 31 Gold and Platinum albums. Oakland-based Quinn DeVeaux will join the band with some early R&B, modern soul, and timeless blues.

**Sigmund Stern Grove, 2900 19th Avenue (near Sloat Boulevard), San Francisco 94132**

**More info: 415-252-6252 OR <http://www.sterngrove.org/2017-concerts/#june-25>**

**JUNE 29 (Thursday), 12:30 – 1:30pm; No fee**

**“THE JAMMING NACHOS”**

Young, energized and politically conscious, “The Jamming Nachos” are a hard-charging rock ‘n’ roll band straight outta Oakland. Launched as a family combo in 2011 by the siblings Rioz (vocals/guitar), Messiah (guitar/keyboards) and Rey Aceves (bass), the group took shape when they added powerhouse lead vocalist Elena Ruiz and drummer Jeremiah Cobbs. The band triumphed at Oakland’s 2014 Mayhem Contest, winning top honors for best song by an under-18 band. With woke anthems like “It Could Have Been Me,” a trenchant response to the death of unarmed black people at the hands of the police, The Jamming Nachos give voice to the thoughts and feelings of a rising generation.

**Yerba Buena Gardens / Esplanade, Mission Street (between 3rd & 4th Streets), San Francisco**

**More info: 415-543-1718 OR <https://ybgfestival.org/event/the-jamming-nachos/>**

**JUNE 30 (Friday), 9 pm (doors open 8:30 pm); \$12+**

**“RAHAN BOXLEY WITH SPECIAL GUESTS”**

Singer Rahan Boxley presents his fresh dance music that ranges from traditional Congolese to American R&B, reggae, house, funk, capoeira, and Afro stylings. From his roots in freestyling and MCing / rapping, he has evolved into a more versatile vocal artist with a unique and soulful sound that draws from various music genres..

**Ashkenaz, 1317 San Pablo Avenue, Berkeley 94702**

**More info / Tickets: 510-525-5099 OR**

**<http://www.ashkenaz.com/eventcalendar/2017/6/30/rahan-boxley-with-special-guests>**

## PAN AFRICAN HOLIDAYS / SPECIAL EVENTS FOR JUNE 2017

**NOTE:** many of the African and Afro Diaspora nations celebrate Whit Monday (June 5<sup>th</sup>) and Ramadan (June 25 – 28).

**JUNE 1:** “Madaraka (National) Day” in Kenya; and “Youth Day” in Cape Verde. **JUNE 2:** “Labour Day / Sir Randol Fawkes” (in honor of Fawkes as Trade Unionist) in The Bahamas. **JUNE 3:** “Martyrs’ Day” in Uganda. **JUNE 5:** “President’s Day (Obiang Nguema Mbasogo)” in Equatorial Guinea. **JUNE 9:** “National Heroes’ Day” in Uganda. **JUNE 10:** “Abolition Day” in French Guiana; and “Reconciliation Day” in the Congo (Republic). **JUNE 16:** “Youth Day” in South Africa. **JUNE 18:** “Constitution Day” in the Seychelles. **JUNE 19:** “Labour Day” in Trinidad & Tobago. **JUNE 20:** “Martyrs’ Day” in Eritrea. **JUNE 21:** “Martyrs’ Day” in Togo. **JUNE 25:** “Independence Day” in Mozambique. **JUNE 26:** “Independence Day” in Madagascar and Somalia. **JUNE 27:** “National Day” in Djibouti. **JUNE 29:** “Independence (National) Day” in the Seychelles. **JUNE 30:** “Prayer Day” in the Central African Republic; and “Independence Day” in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (formerly Zaire).

## SELECTED AFRICAN / AFRICAN DIASPORA HISTORY NOTES FOR JUNE

- June 1:** 1843 - Sojourner Truth (Isabella Baumfree); abolitionist, speaker, and women's rights advocate, began her journey to help escaped Afros find housing and work in the North.  
1920 - W. E. B. Du Bois received the 6th NAACP Spingarn Medal for founding the Pan African Congress.
- June 2:** 1863 - Harriet Tubman, abolitionist and engineer of the Underground Railroad, led Union Army guerillas into South Carolina and freed nearly 800 slaves. Tubman was the first woman in U.S. history to command an armed military raid.  
1900 - Samori Ture (Warrior king, empire builder and hero of the resistance against the French colonization of West Africa) died in a French prison (how did he die ???).  
1950 - The U.S. Supreme Court outlawed segregation on dining cars used in interstate transportation.  
1948 - Herb McKenley, Jamaican born track star set a new world record for the 400-yard dash.  
1999 - Thabo Mbeki elected as President of South Africa to succeed Nelson Mandela.
- June 3:** 1884 - Granville T. Woods, inventor, patented the Steam-Boiler (Furnace Patent # 299,894).  
1946 - Segregation in interstate bus travel was banned by the Supreme Court in the case of Irene Morgan v. Commonwealth of Virginia.  
2008 - Barack Obama became the first person of African Descent to win the Presidential primary for the Democratic Party.
- June 4:** 1946 - Legislation was enacted to establish the Mississippi Valley State University in Itta Bena.  
1972 - Angela Davis, activist and professor, was acquitted of murder, kidnapping, and other conspiracy related charges for a courthouse shooting in Marin County, CA, at which Davis was not present.
- June 5:** 1940 - Frederick O'Neal and Abram Hill organized the American Negro Theatre.  
1950 - The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that no distinctions can be made on the basis of race once a “black” student is admitted to an all-white school (McLaurin v. Oklahoma).  
1950 - The Supreme Court ordered that Herman Sweatt be admitted to the University of Texas Law School (Sweatt v. Painter).  
1966 - James Meredith, the first Afro to graduate from the University Of Mississippi, began a campaign to register 450,000 Afro voters in Mississippi.  
1973 - Doris A. Davis, Mayor of Compton, CA, became the first African American woman to govern a major city.  
1987 - Dr. Mae Carol Jemison became the first African American female astronaut.



- June 6:** 1790 - Jean Baptist Pointe Du Sable founded the city of Chicago, Illinois.  
 1831 - The first Convention of Free Persons of Color was held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania at the Wesleyan Church.  
 1930 - Dillard University, a Traditionally Black College (TBC), was chartered in New Orleans, Louisiana.  
 1942 - The Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) was founded in Chicago, Illinois.  
 1966 - Stokely Carmichael (Kwame Toure'), civil rights activist, launched the "Black Power" movement.
- June 7:** 1712 - Pennsylvania passed a law that prevented the importation of slaves (enslaved persons) into the colony by imposing a tax on any persons newly enslaved.  
 1892 - G. J. Sampson received a patent for a Clothes Dryer (Patent # 476,416G).  
 1994 - The Organization of African Unity (OAU) formally admitted South Africa as its 53<sup>rd</sup> member.  
 1998 - James Byrd, Jr., a 49-year-old pedestrian of African descent, was brutally murdered by three white men in Jasper, Texas. He was beaten, chained to a truck, and dragged three miles.
- June 8:** 1953 - The U.S. Supreme Court outlawed discrimination in a Washington D.C. restaurant.
- June 9:** 1983 - Scott Joplin, musician and creator of "Ragtime", was commemorated on a U.S. postage stamp.
- June 10:** 1940 - Death of Marcus Garvey after two strokes, and after he read a false obituary about himself.  
 1997 - Geronimo Pratt, former Black Panther Party member was released from prison after serving 27 years for a crime he did not commit.
- June 11:** 1889 - Purdy and Sadgwar, inventors, patented the Folding Chair (Patent # 405,117).  
 1905 - Niagara Movement was organized by W.E.B. Du Bois, William Monroe Trotter and other Afro activists and intellectuals. The organization demanded abolition of all racial distinctions.  
 1911 - Marcus Garvey founded the UNIA (United Negro Improvement Association).  
 1964 - Nelson Mandela was sentenced to life imprisonment by the South African government.  
 1976 - African nation of Angola placed British and U.S. mercenaries on trial.
- June 12:** 1949 - Convention People's Party (CPP), a socialist party, was formed by Kwame Nkrumah in Ghana.  
 1963 - Medgar Evers, civil rights activist was assassinated at his home in Jackson, Mississippi.  
 1964 - Nelson R. Mandela, South African political activist, was sentenced to life imprisonment. Mandela served a 27-year prison term after being convicted for "sabotaging" the South African government. Mandela, later became president of South Africa.
- June 13:** 1866 - The Fourteenth Amendment, granting citizenship to persons of African Descent, was passed by the U.S. House of Representatives.  
 1868 - Oscar J. Dunn, a former enslaved man, was installed as Lieutenant Governor of Louisiana.  
 1893 - T. W. Stewart, inventor, patented the Mop (Patent # 499,402).  
 1967 - Thurgood Marshall became the first African American appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court.  
 1980 - Walter Rodney, Guyanese historian, political activist and scholar was assassinated.  
 1997 - Harvey Johnson was elected as the first mayor of African Descent in Jackson, Mississippi.
- June 15:** 1877 - H.O. Flipper became the first African American graduate of West Point.  
 1921 - Bessie Coleman became the first female licensed pilot of African Descent when she was awarded her pilot's certificate in France.  
 1921 - Sadie T.M. Alexander became the first person of African Descent to receive a PhD in Economics. She graduated from the University of Pennsylvania.  
 1971 - Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., was appointed Executive Director of the National Urban League.  
 1999 - Rosa Parks was honored with the Congressional Gold Medal Ceremony. In 1996 Ms. Parks also received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor for her efforts on behalf of racial harmony.

- June 16:** 1804 - Jacques Dessalines was declared Emperor of Ayiti (Haiti).  
 1822 - Denmark Vesey led his famous slave rebellion in Charleston, South Carolina.  
 1960 - The Mueda Massacre of 600 Africans led to the armed struggle in Mozambique.  
 1969 - The U.S. Supreme Court decided that the House of Representatives had violated the constitution when it suspended Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. from his congressional seat.  
 1976 - Students rioted in Soweto, South Africa, as a result of the Mueda Massacre.  
 1999 - Maurice Greene, U.S. track and field athlete, broke the world record for the 100-meter dash.  
 1999 - Thabo Mbeki was elected to succeed Nelson Mandela, South Africa's first Afro President.
- June 17:** 1890 - P. B. Downing, inventor, patented the Electric Switch used for railroads (Patent # 430,118).  
 1966 - SNCC (Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee) and Kwame Ture (Stokely Carmichael) called for "Black Power" in Jackson, Mississippi.
- June 18:** 1882 - Denmark K. Vesey who had purchased his freedom from enslavement, was arrested for conspiring an attack on Charleston, South Carolina.  
 1889 - William H. Richardson, inventor, patented the Children's Carriage (Patent #s 405,599 and 405,600).  
 1949 - Ada L.S. Fisher enrolled as a law student in the University of Oklahoma after a Supreme Court ruling.
- June 19:** 1865 - "Juneteenth": News of the Emancipation Proclamation reached the South and Texas after 2 years.  
 1912 - Tennessee State University opened as Tennessee A&I College.  
 1968 - "Solidarity Day," was organized by the Poor People's Campaign about the need for economic justice and ending racism. Coretta Scott King and Ralph Abernathy were key speakers.
- June 20:** 1967 - Muhammad Ali was convicted of refusing abduction into the U.S. armed services by the Federal Court in Houston, Texas.
- June 21:** 1821 - The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church was founded in New York City.  
 1915 - The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the "grandfather clauses" in the Oklahoma and Maryland constitutions violated the "15<sup>th</sup> Amendment".  
 1964 - James Earl Chaney, Andrew Goodman, and Michael Schwerner, CORE members and activists on a "Freedom Summer" mission to register Black voters, were murdered in Philadelphia.
- June 22:** 1972 - National Black MBA Association (NBMBA) was incorporated with over 2,000 members.  
 1993 - Joe Louis, boxer and first African American national sports hero was commemorated on a U.S. postage stamp. He knocked out German boxer, Max Schmeling, on this date in 1938.
- June 23:** 1900 - Yaa Asantewa (Ghana female elder) led the Ashanti rebellion known as the "War of the Golden Stool" against British colonialism.  
 1982 - Coleman Alexander Young, Detroit, Michigan's, first mayor of African Descent, was elected president of the U.S. Conference of Mayors.  
 2007 - Anthony Reed became the first person of African descent to complete 26.2-mile marathons on every continent, including Antarctica.
- June 24:** 1896 - Booker T. Washington, educator and founder of Tuskegee Institute, received an honorary degree from Harvard University.  
 1936 - Mary McLeod Bethune became the first woman to receive a major appointment from the federal government when she was named Director of the Negro Affairs of the National Youth Administration.  
 1988 - Atlanta University and Clark College merged to become Clark Atlanta University.  
 1996 - Ramona Africa and the families of two other victims of the 1985 bombing of MOVE, a back-to-Africa group, received \$1.5 million from the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

- June 25:** 1792 - Death of Thomas Peters, an enslaved African American, who led freed men from Nova Scotia (Canada) to Sierra Leone.
- 1919 - Marcus Garvey founded the Black Star Line.
- 1975 - Mozambique was proclaimed independent. Samora Machel became its first President.
- June 26:** 1960 - The African nation of Madagascar was proclaimed independent.
- 1964 - Franklin H. Williams was appointed to the United Nations Economic and Social Council. He was the first African American U.S. delegate to the United Nations.
- June 27:** 1872 - Birthday of Paul Lawrence Dunbar, prominent poet and writer. He was born in Dayton, Ohio.
- 1890 - George "Little Chocolate" Dixon won the World Bantamweight Boxing Championship, and became the first African American to win the World Boxing Championship.
- 1977 - The African nation of Djibouti was proclaimed independent.
- 1979 - The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that unions and employers can use voluntary programs and quotas to facilitate minority employment.
- June 28:** 1839 - The Cinque Revolt took place on the Amistad slave ship.
- 1948 - Joe Louis won the World Heavyweight Boxing Champion by knocking out "Jersey" Jo Walcott.
- 1964 - Malcolm X Omowale founded the OAAU (Organization of Afro American Unity).
- 1971 - The U.S. Supreme Court unanimously overturned the draft evasion conviction of Muhammad Ali.
- 1978 - The U.S. Supreme Court handed down the Bakke Decision which ruled that strict racial quotas guaranteeing access and opportunity to African Americans, women, and other minorities in education and industry were unconstitutional. The decision has been much disputed.
- June 29:** 1956 - Charles Dumas became the first person to jump over seven feet in U.S. Olympic history.
- 1972 - The Supreme Court ruled the death penalty as cruel and unusual punishment and a violation of the Eighth Amendment. African Americans and other minorities were 81% of persons on death-row.
- 1976 - The African nation of Seychelles was proclaimed independent.
- 1998 - Lenny Wilkens, Atlanta Hawks Head Coach, was elected to the NBA's Hall of Fame as player and coach.
- June 30:** 1874 - H. Pickett, inventor, patented the Scaffold (Patent # 152,511).
- 1960 - The African nation of Zaire proclaimed independence.
- 1967 - Major Robert H. Lawrence, Jr. was proclaimed the first African American astronaut. He died later that year during a "training flight" (how did he die???).

## **SPECIAL PAN AFRICAN PROJECTS / SYMPOSIA / TOURS / EVENTS**

**NOTE: Check the following website for more national and international tours, festivals and conferences:**

<http://www.soulofamerica.com/events/>

### **CURRENTLY SCHEDULED EVENTS THROUGH OCTOBER 2017:**

#### **FREE FILMS TO WATCH ONLINE---NOW UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!**

##### **“AFROPOP CARIBBEAN FILMS”**

Five short films from all across the Caribbean Basin are featured in this series. Dramatic, funny and insightful shorts and documentaries made by Caribbean filmmakers, celebrating and exploring a diverse set of identities. These shorts explore immigration, life opportunities, modern Caribbean identity and much, much more. Tune in with the website below!

<http://blackpublicmedia.org/afropop-caribbean-shorts/>

#### **NOW THROUGH AUGUST 28, 2017**

##### **“ XTRA AFRICAN HISTORY & REASONING SESSIONS”**

##### **A series supported by The International Decade for People of African Descent**

The weekly sessions in the United Kingdom (England) are presented by Akoben Awards in association with BTWSC/African Histories Revisited and Harrow Mencap; and facilitated/curated by music industry and history consultant Kwaku. The sessions are free, intergenerational and take place on occasional Mondays, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Topics to be covered include: “Highlighting African History Across London”; “African British Civil Rights”; Reframing Marcus Garvey in History”; “Remembering Aug. 23: International Day of African Resistance against Enslavement”; “Highlighting African Herstory” and much more!

**Harrow Mencap, 1st Floor, 3 Jardine House, Harrow Business Village, Bessborough Road, Harrow,  
London HA1 3EX, United Kingdom.**

**Free / To register visit [www.HarrowBHM.eventbrite.com](http://www.HarrowBHM.eventbrite.com) (click on “Xtra History & Reasoning” photo link)**

#### **JUNE 8 - 10, 2017 (Thursday – Saturday); check contact info below for details and fees**

##### **“THE 20TH ANNUAL FLORIDA AFRICAN DANCE FESTIVAL”**

The African Caribbean Dance Theatre, Inc. proudly presents the 20th Annual Florida African Dance Festival (FADF) at the Tallahassee Community College. FADF is a 3-day conference that features internationally renowned artists in dance and drum workshops, and an exciting performance concert. Other highlights include special dance workshops for children, wheelchair African dance class, vendor marketplace, hair fashion extravaganza, and health focus on diabetes.

**Florida A&M University (FAMU) / Lee Hall Auditorium, 1601 MLK, Jr. Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32307**

**More info: 850-539-4087 OR <http://www.fadf.org/> OR**

**<http://www.tallahasseearts.org/event/20th-annual-florida-african-dance-festival/>**

#### **JUNE 9 - 11, 2017**

##### **“CHICAGO BLUES FESTIVAL”**

The Chicago Blues Festival is the largest FREE blues festival in the world and remains the largest of Chicago's Music Festivals. During three days on five stages, more than 500,000 blues fans prove that Chicago is the "Blues Capital of the World." Past performers include Bonnie Raitt, Ray Charles, B.B. King, the late Bo Diddley, Buddy Guy, the late Koko Taylor and many other greats. Check website for details on performers and more for this year's festival .

**Event will be held at: Millennium Park, 201 E. Randolph St. Michigan Ave. & Columbus Ave., Chicago, Illinois 60601**

**[https://www.cityofchicago.org/city/en/depts/dca/supp\\_info/chicago\\_blues\\_festival.html](https://www.cityofchicago.org/city/en/depts/dca/supp_info/chicago_blues_festival.html)**

**JUNE 16 - 18, 2017**

**“2ND ANNUAL HOUSTON CARIBBEAN FILM FESTIVAL”**

This new cultural event will take place in Downtown Houston (Mid-Town). Check website for updates on activities and the listing of films to be screened at the Festival. NOTE: June is National Caribbean American Heritage Month in the U.S.

**SCREENINGS: Midtown Arts & Theater Center Houston (MATCH), 3400 Main Street, Houston, Texas 77002**

**More info / updates: 713-783-5779 OR [http://www.houstoncaribbeanfilmfestival.org/HCFE\\_Schedule.htm](http://www.houstoncaribbeanfilmfestival.org/HCFE_Schedule.htm)**

**JUNE 22 - 25, 2017**

**“N’COBRA 28<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION”**

You are invited to participate in N’COBRA (National Coalition of Blacks for Reparations in America) annual meeting. This year’s conference in Dallas, Texas will be in the occupied settler lands of "Juneteenth Freedom Days,"; and the focus will be on “The Five Injuries of Slavery”: Criminal Punishment, Education, Health, People/Nationhood and Wealth/Poverty.

**More info: Registration: 601-885-3081 OR**

**<http://www.ncobraonline.org/events-page/28th-annual-national-ncobra-conference/>**

**JUNE 30 – JULY 3, 2017**

**“ESSENCE FESTIVAL”**

The Essence Fest celebrates the talents of the local and national African American community; and is the largest cultural event of its kind in the U.S.. During its 25-year tenure, Essence Fest has grown from a music festival, and guests can now attend motivational seminars or other soul-stimulating events. There will be a main stage in the Louisiana

Superdome, and events in other areas throughout the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center.

**Event will be held at: Louisiana Superdome | 1500 Sugar Bowl Drive New Orleans, Louisiana 70112**

**More info / Tickets: <https://www.everfest.com/e/essence-festival-new-orleans-la>**

**JULY 7 + 8, 2017; \$25+ (check website for event details)**

**“THE AFRO-LATINO FESTIVAL OF NEW YORK”**

The festival celebrates contributions that people of African descent from Latin America and the Caribbean have made to New York City and the global culture as a whole. To celebrate the fifth year, the festival will highlight the contributions of women throughout the diaspora with conferences, culinary presentations and artistic showcases. The event attracts a wide array of artists, both local and international, as well as entrepreneurs, academics and community leaders.

**Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, 515 Malcolm X Blvd, New York, NY 10037**

**and Bed-Stuy Restoration Plaza, 1368 Fulton St, Brooklyn, NY 11216**

**More info / Tickets: [www.afrolatinofestnyc.com](http://www.afrolatinofestnyc.com) OR <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/afro-latino-fest-nyc-2017-a-tribute-to-women-of-the-diaspora-tickets-34534565816>**

**JULY 8, 2017 (Check contact info below to confirm details)**

**“20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY: NATIONAL BLACK ARTS FESTIVAL”**

Since it was founded by the Fulton County Arts Council in Atlanta, Georgia twenty-seven years ago, the National Black Arts Festival (NBAF) has built a proud reputation as the oldest multidisciplinary arts organization in the United States focused exclusively on the arts and artists of African descent. The world acclaimed event includes: music, visual arts, education programs, dance, great food and many special activities. Participants are encouraged to wear all white attire.

**3143 Maple Drive North East, Atlanta Georgia 30305**

**More info: 404-730-7315 OR <http://nbaf.org/>**

**JULY 14 - 16, 2017 / 5 – 11 pm daily (Check website below for details on performers, fees, etc.)**

**“L.A. SOUL MUSIC”**

The Los Angeles Soul Music Festival is a coming together of music enthusiasts who simply appreciate live music in its many forms. The festival is a celebration of all things “Soul.” Vocals, instrumentation, soloist or band – it doesn’t matter as long as the artist has the ability and talent to inspire and connect with the audience. The goal of the Los Angeles Soul Music Festival is to bring together Grammy Awarded & Grammy nominated national and internationally known artists, plus some you may not have heard of... Yet. Check the website for details of artists already booked that include “Musiq Soulchild” (11 Grammy Nominations + 3 Soul Train Awards + 4 Billboard Awards + 3 NAACP Image Award Nominations) and many others. The outdoor live music festival has one stage and will feature over 15 artists over the 3-days. There will be craft vendors, food vendors and more!

**Exposition Park, 700 Exposition Park Drive / Los Angeles, California 90037**

**More info / Tickets: <https://lasoulmusic.com/>**

**JULY 14 – 28, 2017 (Friday – Friday / 2 weeks); \$4,199 (all inclusive with airfare from New York)**

**“CLASSICAL AFRICA EDUCATIONAL TOUR XIII: ANCIENT EGYPT (KEMET)”**

**Professionally escorted by Professor Manu Ampim**

This tour, escorted by Professor Ampim will visit the Land of the Pharaohs, the Ancient Pyramids, the Avenue of the Sphinxes, Ancient temples, the High Dam, the Rock Tombs on Elephantine Island, and much more! Academic credits are available for students. For the past 30 years, Professor Ampim has taken educational tours to North Africa; and since 1990 he has conducted field research projects to Egypt, Nubia, Ethiopia and the Sudan in order to study ancient African social organization and spiritual culture; and to record the vanishing evidence of classical African civilizations in the Nile Valley. His latest mission since 2011 has been to organize the Save Nubia Project (SNP) to help preserve the archaeological sites of ancient Kush and Nubia in the Sudan.

**Contact Professor Manu Ampim: 510-568-3880 OR [Profmanu@acninc.net](mailto:Profmanu@acninc.net) OR [www.ManuAmpim.com](http://www.ManuAmpim.com)**

**Tour Coordinator: Consolidated Tours Organization, Inc., 1675 Virginia Avenue, Suite 200 Atlanta, GA 30337**

**More info / Tour details / Registration: 800-554-4556 OR 404-767-2727 OR**

**<http://www.ctoinc.com/tours/cultural/egyptstudy.html>**

**JULY 15 – AUGUST 5, 2017 (Saturdays only, 8 am - 4 pm;**

**\$100 fee (financial assistance may be available)**

**“SOCALNOMA’S 8TH ANNUAL ARCHITECTURE & ENGINEERING SUMMER CAMP”**

Registration is now open for the 8th Annual Architecture and Engineering Summer Camp hosted by SoCalNOMA (The National Organization of Minority Architects, Southern California Chapter). The camp will be held on 4 consecutive Saturdays for students age 10-15, and registration includes lunch and snacks. This educational summer camp provides an opportunity to teach and to engage African-American youth about the process and impact of architectural design. The program is designed and mainly taught by local African-American architects.

**Los Angeles Southwest College, 1600 West Imperial Highway, Los Angeles, CA90047**

**More info / Registration: <http://socalnoma.org/campoverview/>**

**JULY 16 - 27, 2017 (Check contact info below to confirm details)**

**“25<sup>TH</sup> REGGAE SUMFEST”**

Join this 25<sup>th</sup> year celebration of Jamaica's premier music festival that is attended by repeat fans from all over the world. The two main headliner events are scheduled for July 21<sup>st</sup> (Friday) and July 22<sup>nd</sup> (Saturday) with world-renowned Reggae stars and special guest stars. During each day of the festival there is much more going on all day and all night, plus the beautiful beaches, local cruises and much-respected Jamaican hospitality.

**Montego Bay / St. James Parish, Jamaica (various sites)**

**More info / Tickets:** <http://reggaesumfest.com/#home>

**JULY 22 + 23, 2017; check website for schedule and fees**

**THE AFRICAN DESCENT FESTIVAL**

The African Descent Festival is intended to celebrate the cultural diversity of people of African Descent within Vancouver, British Columbia, while recognizing and promoting attitudes of oneness among all ethnic groups and communities. The Festival promotes excellence in arts, culture, music and speech by providing performance and educational opportunities through music. Activities for the festival include: an Inaugural Ceremony, a Market Place, AfroBeat Entertainment, Crafts, a Community Fair and Tours. The event is organized by African Descent Society, BC.

**Thornton Park, 1166 Main Street, Vancouver, Canada / British Columbia**

**More info:** 604-729-0448 OR 778-874-6164 OR [www.africandescentfestival.com](http://www.africandescentfestival.com)

**AUGUST 1, 2017 (10:30 am – 2:30 pm / \$65)**

**“THE SECOND ANNUAL BLACK AND WHITE BRUNCH FUNDRAISER”**

The Martha's Vineyard Branch of ASALH (Association for the Study of African American Life and History) will host this event with Guest Speaker, Khalil Gibran Muhammad, professor of History, Race and Public Policy at Harvard Kennedy School and the Suzanne Young Murray Professor at the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Studies. He is also former Director of the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture; and the author of “The Condemnation of Blackness: Race, Crime, and the Making of Modern Urban America” (Harvard), which won the 2011 John Hope Franklin Best Book award in American Studies. Attendees are asked to wear Black & White!

**To register: mail \$65 check payable to Martha's Vineyard Branch of ASALH by deadline date JULY 20, 2017 to:  
Ms. Mycki Jennings, Treasurer, Martha's Vineyard Branch of ASALH, Post Office Box 1761, Vineyard Haven, MA 02568**

**AUGUST 3 - 7, 2017**

**“CARIBANA TORONTO 2017 WEEKEND”**

**(NOTE: events for the CARIBANA are scheduled over a 3-week period)**

The “Official Festival Launch” and the Carnival will start during this big weekend. Thousands of people are expected to attend this Caribana event that will feature live music, an array of delicious Caribbean food (Jamaican, Trinidadian, Cuban and more), insightful art displays and theatrical performances that showcase Caribbean inspired life. There will also be over a hundred official and unofficial Caribbean events to see and experience such as “Pan Alive” (the steelpan competition), the “Junior Carnival Parade” and the “King & Queen Competition” (leaders of the mas/masquerade bands compete to win the title of King and Queen). Toronto Caribana's signature event is still the Parade that will be held Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup>. Over 10,000 masquerades will participate as they strut and dance in elaborate costumes, to the vibrant Caribbean beats of the famed mas bands. During the weekend you can also eat and dance aboard Festival Boat Cruises, check out live Soca, Calypso, dancehall, reggae performances and some of the pumping street parties !!!

**More info / Tickets / Updates:** <https://www.caribanatoronto.com/>

**AUGUST 5 - 16, 2017**

**“FESTA DA BOA MORTE (FESTIVAL OF THE GOOD DEATH) TOUR”**

“Festa da Nossa Senhora da Boa Morte” is one of the most fascinating annual festivals in the Africa Diaspora and it is worth a special trip to see it. It is organized by the Sisterhood of the Good Death (Senhora da Boa Morte), a secret society of African- Brazilian women, all descendants of enslaved African that was organized during Brazil’s enslavement period to purchase a sister from slavery so that she could die with dignity. The festival is held in the historical city of Cachoeira in Salvador Bahia, the most African of all the Brazilian cities. The local cuisine, musical traditions, dance forms and Bahia's vibrant arts all permeate the African heritage. The Sisterhood of the Good Death is the oldest organization for women of African descent in the New World. It is said to be the most important festival in the African Heritage calendar in Brazil and Latin American. The price of the tour includes: Seven nights hotel in Salvador; Three nights hotel in Cachoeira; Transfers in Salvador and Cachoeira; Welcome dinner in Salvador; Six lunches and three dinners; Afro Historical tour of Salvador; Meetings with local community leaders; Samba and drumming workshop; Culinary workshop of Afro-Brazilian cuisine; Shopping at the Mercado Modelo; Visit to the Island of Itaparica; Private meeting with the Sisters of Good Death and Donation; Local tour guides; and a Tour Coordinator.

**Tour Price (Land only): US \$1,750 (double occupancy) / US\$ 2,150 (single occupancy)**

**FOR TOUR DETAILS / REGISTRATION PLEASE CONTACT:**

**J. Carlos Desales: Tour Conductor/Tour Guide (Licence # 19.011040.96-0) at [desales@americasconnect.com](mailto:desales@americasconnect.com) OR <http://americasconnect.com/-/destinations/> OR US: 917-231-3517 / Brazil: 55 21 996220976**

**AUGUST 12 & 13, 2017**

**“FESTAFRICAUSA”**

“FestAfricaUSA” is the official annual African Festival for the State of Maryland, and will welcome 8,000 or more attendees from across the world. It will feature over 50 musical performances by international and local African bands and artists, cultural dances, fashion shows, games for children, African cuisine, vendors, arts & craft exhibits, FestAfrica Honors Award, and much more. The Afropolitan Youth Association, Inc is a host of FestAfrica; and their objective is to “Network, Unite & Empower Youth with African Heritage towards a Positive Future through Community Service.”

**Veterans Plaza, Silver Spring Civic Center, 8523 Fenton Street, Silver Spring, Maryland 20906**

**More info: [www.FestAfricaUSA.com](http://www.FestAfricaUSA.com) OR [www.AfropolitanYouth.org](http://www.AfropolitanYouth.org)**

**AUGUST 16 – 26 (Wednesday – Saturday / 10 days);**

**Check contact info below for pricing and registration options**

**“CAMP FARETA 2017”**

Camp Fareta is a residential workshop hosted by Youssouf Koumbassa, a master dancer, choreographer, and teacher from Guinea, West Africa, and features other master dancers and drummers from Guinea, Mali, Senegal, the Congo, and other countries. It is an immersion in West African drum and dance that started in 2006 and is held at a beautiful setting in the southern Sierras of California each summer.

**Camp Hye Sierra (Note: Camp Hye Sierra is an hour drive east of Fresno, California)**

**More info / Details / Registration: [http://www.dancingvillage.com/camp\\_fareta.php](http://www.dancingvillage.com/camp_fareta.php)**



**SEPTEMBER 1 - 5, 2017**

**“NEW YORK CARIBBEAN CARNIVAL WEEK”**

Caribbean Carnival is a colorful, creative, infectious and scintillating feature of Caribbean culture, which in the early days was celebrated as the last opportunity for the release of all the expressive and joyful emotions, before the beginning of the forty penitential days of Lent. Events include: “Stay in School” Youth Fest & College Fair; Panorama Steelband; Junior and Adult Carnival parades with traditional Carnival Characters; great food; special evening events and much more! This has become a real celebration for the African Diaspora and Africans from all over!

The Carnival is organized by WIADCA / The West Indian American day Carnival Association.

**Brooklyn Museum Grounds, 200 Eastern Parkway, New York**

**More info / Tickets: 718-467-1797 OR <http://www.etix.com/ticket/v/10546/wiadca-labor-day-concert-series-2016>**

**SEPTEMBER 15 - 17, 2017; \$20+ (check website for details + ticket prices)**

**“60<sup>TH</sup> MONTEREY JAZZ FESTIVAL”**

**Artists / 100+ Shows / 8 Stages / 3 Nights & 2 Days**

The Monterey Jazz Festival celebrates the legacy of jazz, expands its boundaries, and provides opportunities to experience jazz through the creative production of performances and educational programs. It is the longest-running jazz festival in the world. A few of the featured artists for this year are: Herbie Hancock, Roy Hargrove, Dee Dee Bridgewater, Regina Carter, Angelique Kidjo and the Kenny Barron Trio with a tribute to Dizzy Gillespie at 100. However, 100+ Shows on 8 Stages over the 3-Nights / 2-Day Festival have been scheduled. In addition to a three-day celebration of the best in jazz, there will be jazz conversations, panel discussions, workshops, exhibitions, clinics, and an international array of food, shopping, and festivities spread throughout the 20-acre Monterey County Fairgrounds.

The Monterey Jazz Festival is a 501(c)3 educational nonprofit corporation.

**Monterey County Fairgrounds / 2004 Fairground Rd, Monterey, CA 93940**

**More info / Tickets: 831-373-0366 OR 831-626-0466 OR <http://www.montereyjazzfestival.org/>**

**OCTOBER 9 - 12, 2017**

**“THE INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR PEOPLE OF AFRICAN DESCENT - SUMMIT IDPAD-S 2017”**

This proposed summit will audit: where we are as a people, rationalize where we ought to be as a people; and set goals for 2024. IDPAD-S 2017 will bring African Descendants from around the world to focus on eradicating the plight of African descendants through the implementation of possible solutions to issues affecting the Race. The conference will: encourage delegates to collaborate more fully across disciplines; share working models that can assist in the development of African descendants and their communities; and provide a venue for delegates to openly discuss the serious issues facing them, as well as the solutions they envision to address the problems, and ways of implementing these solutions. Speakers will include Dr. Julius Garvey, professor Verene Shephard, Dr. Anthony Browder, and other well-known and much-respected Pan Africanists. The Summit will take place in Georgetown, Guyana.

**More info / Registration: <https://www.idpadsummit.com/>**

## **ONGOING:**

**(Check each website for current activities / programs / resources)**

### **SAVE NUBIA PROJECT**

A special project coordinated by Bay Area's Professor Manu Ampim to document that the areas designated for dam construction in northern and central Sudan should be preserved. The areas are valuable UNESCO World Heritage Sites in danger of being destroyed, and are homelands of the Nubians who have occupied the area for millennia.

**More info / to assist with the project:** 510-273-2456 OR [info@savenubia.org](mailto:info@savenubia.org) OR [www.SaveNubia.org](http://www.SaveNubia.org)

### **AT THE CROSSROADS: FINDING YOUR PURPOSE**

A special ongoing online program with Luisah Teish, a Yoruba Priestess Chief, that is designed to help each participant to: "Harness the Power of Ancestral Gifts"; "Address Ancestral Wounds and Oppression"; "Break Free of Limiting Beliefs and Trauma"; "Replenish Through Nature"; "Strengthen Intuition"; and "Remember Purpose". Priestess Teish has achieved one of the highest orders of chieftancy in the Yoruba tradition and is the author of many books, including the famous and revered "Jambalaya: The Natural Woman's Book of Personal Charms and Practical Rituals".

**More info / Registration:**

<http://www.balade.black/teish-video-gallery/2014/12/18/at-the-crossroads-finding-your-purpose>

### **BLACK GIRLS PLAY**

Black Girls Play (BGP) is a holistic program sponsored by the Oakland Public Conservatory of Music that combines music education, mentoring, entrepreneurship and leadership development for aspiring Black Girl musicians (age 11 – 18) in Oakland. The program provides: Private lessons, Performance Ensembles, Mentorship, Business of Music/Entrepreneurship and Production. To register, applicants should have: a minimum of one year private or group instruction in music; and the ability to read and to learn music.

**More info / Registration:** 510-836-4649 OR <http://www.opcmusic.org/BlackGirlsPlay.php>

### **FILHOS DE BIMBA BAY AREA: CAPOEIRA INSTITUTE**

Filhos de Bimba Bay Area was founded on June 10, 1986 by Manoel Nascimento Machado (Mestre Nenel), the son of Mestre Bimba, the creator of Capoeira Regional, and one of the most influential masters of Capoeira. Capoeira is an Afro-Brazilian martial art that combines music, dance, acrobatics, and self-defense. The attack and defense movements are very rhythmic due to its African roots. Music and song accompanied by percussion is an inherent part of Capoeira, and an integral part of what is taught at Filhos de Bimba Bay Area. The school preserves the cultural legacy of Africa, Mestre Bimba and the essence of Capoeira Regional including its effective methodology of teaching, character building principles, rich traditions and rituals. Check the website for the full schedule of events and ongoing classes.

**More info / Registration:** <http://capoeirabayarea.com/>

**AFRICA FOR THE AFRICANS: TOURS AND INVESTMENTS**  
**(Check website for details on future tours and special events)**

Join us on the ultimate journey to the motherland to experience a vibrant Africa with a mix of roots, culture, paradise, night life, shopping, networking, business and investment opportunities. Upcoming tours are: Ghana, Togo & Benin Roots Tour Nov 17-Dec 1, 2017 for \$3,800; Ethiopia Roots & Culture Tour October 7-16, 2017 for \$3,300; Brazil Roots & Culture Tour July 21-30, 2017 for \$3,300; and Ghana Repatriation & Investment Tour Oct 26-Nov 8, 2016 for \$3,500. These are all inclusive packages that include full accommodations and round trip flights on Delta Airlines from Atlanta, Georgia. Note: You can pay using our easy interest free payment plans. Limited space available register and pay only a \$400 deposit to reserve your trip of a lifetime!!! Tours also include: transportation & tours; daily exercise and meditation sessions; daily continental breakfast & gourmet dinner; hotel accommodations (double occupancy); business & investment networking; and entrance; and access to all tour sites & activities.

<http://www.africafortheafricans.org/>

**INSPIRE HEALTH SOLUTIONS, LLC!**

Inspire Health Solutions, LLC provides services, products and resources to minority women that are designed to motivate, innovate, invent and inspire! Encouragement and inspiration is offered through some of the featured motivational books written by Dr. J. Nwando Olayiwola (including “Minority Women Professionals (MWP) are MVPs”); as well as customized workshops, training, consultation and coaching. Scholarships are available for participants. Inspire Health Solutions, LLC was founded in 2014 by Professor J. Nwando Olayiwola, MD, MPH, PhD, FAAFP (@DrNwando), a world renowned thinker, leader, author and change agent in healthcare innovation and transformation.

**More info / Event registration:** <http://inspirehealthllc.com/>

**“ONE AFRICA HEALTH RESORT, RESTAURANT & WELLNESS CENTER”**

Tours or retreats to this healing retreat, at the One Africa Health Resort in Ghana, provide rejuvenation in a quaint Afrikan village style environment. Fourteen day tours are priced from \$2,500 and include roundtrip airfare from New York City. Tour sites included in the itinerary are the: W.E.B. DuBois Centre, Kwame Nkrumah Memorial, Cultural Art Center, Makola Market, Elmina and Cape Coast Slave Dungeons; and more.

**More info / Tickets:** 011-233-20-750-1221 OR <http://www.oneafricaghana.com/>

**UPCOMING EVENTS SUPPORTED BY THE INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR PEOPLE OF AFRICAN DESCENT**

<http://www.un.org/en/events/africandescentdecade/upcoming-events.shtml>

## LINKS FOR LOCAL & INTERNATIONAL INFORMATION / RESOURCES / EVENTS

### BAY AREA

1. **AFRICA TODAY WITH WALTER TURNER:** check updates on contemporary developments in Africa, the Caribbean, South America, the United States, and more. Mondays, 7 – 8 pm on KPFA Radio, 94.1 FM. Listen online to current and past programs.  
<https://kpfa.org/program/africa-today/>
2. **AFRICAN AMERICAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (AAGSNC):** check details and dates for Bay Area monthly study groups and weekly assistance with African Heritage / Genealogy research.  
<http://www.aagsnc.org/> OR 510-531-3905
3. **AFRICAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY HEALTH EQUITY COUNCIL:** an independent community group in collaboration with the San Francisco Department of Public Health's African American Health Initiative. Committed to close the gap of negative health disparities affecting people of African descent by sharing e-health information and resources that promote effective health policies, community action and well being.  
<http://www.bcoa.org/> OR <http://rafikicoalition.org/news.html#events>
4. **AFRICAN AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS -- BAY AREA**
  - San Francisco BayView (online): <http://sfbayview.com/>
  - The Sun Reporter + California Voice (subscription info only):  
<http://www.sunreporter.com/tosubscribe.html>
  - The Oakland Post and Post Newspaper Group Online. Includes news for Oakland, Berkeley, Richmond, San Francisco, Marin, South County and Vallejo.  
<http://postnewsgroup.com/>
5. **AFRICAN AMERICAN PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (AAPAC)**  
<http://www.sfusd.edu/en/councils-committees/african-american-parent-advisory-council.html>  
The mission of the African American Parent Advisory Council (AAPAC) is to provide a forum to hear the ideas of the San Francisco Unified School District's African American parent community, and respond to those ideas by educating and informing parents of district resources, policies, and programs. The AAPAC works to develop resources that allow parents to more actively support the academic instruction that their children receive, and to engage with educators and administrators in the San Francisco Unified School District.
6. **AFRICANA STUDIES COMMUNITY RESEARCH CENTER AT MERRITT COLLEGE:** The Department of African American Studies provides curriculum for African American history to be used on ipads and/or computers that is fully ADA compliant for hearing and visually impaired learners and accessible in Spanish. It also includes a Black Family Research Specialist who works 2 days a week to train persons on genealogy processes.  
510-434-3935 OR 510-531-4911 OR <http://postnewsgroup.com/> OR <http://www.merritt.edu/wp/afam/>  
OR [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7E\\_9UJQ0UJg&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7E_9UJQ0UJg&feature=youtu.be)
7. **AFRICANA STUDIES / PROFESSOR MANU AMPIM:** check his Save Nubia Project, African studies / radio program, educational tours, e-store, publications, special events, lectures and more.  
<http://www.manuampim.com/>

8. **AFROCENTRIC OAKLAND:** promote individual and community rejuvenation and cultural pride through art.  
<http://www.afrocentricoakland.com/>
9. **AKILI DADA:** check details and activities of the Africa and San Francisco Branches coordinate transformative leadership for young women from underprivileged backgrounds in Africa and the U.S.  
<http://www.akilidada.org/#home>
10. **AUSAR AUSET SOCIETY---WEST COAST:** check details for the West Coast chapter that carries on the mission of Ausar Auset Society International by: offering monthly classes on the material created by Ra Un Nefer Amen I; providing an outlet for the supplies and materials of AASI; and by creating a community environment through which one can live out the Kamitic spiritual system with others.  
<http://www.ausarasetwestcoast.com/>
11. **AVOTCJA:** check info and links to Avotcja's activities as a D.J., poet, musician with Modupe; and more.  
<http://www.avotcja.org/>
12. **BARBARA LEE'S CALIFORNIA CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT #13:** keep up-to-date on international /national / regional / local issues and events that impact on the Bay Area represented by Congresswoman Barbara Lee.  
<http://lee.house.gov/>
13. **BAY AREA BLACK UNITED FUND (BABUF):** strives to improve Bay Area African-American wellness by: putting needed resources into the community; compiling a Health Conductors list; and by engaging the community in leading healthier lives. Check info and more.  
<http://www.babuf.org/>
14. **BAY AREA PERFORMING ARTS COLLECTIVE:** Established in 1987, the organization writes, directs and produces quality production throughout the Bay Area; and is based at the Malonga Casquelourd Center for the Arts.  
<http://bayareapac.wix.com/bapac>
15. **BLACK ORGANIZING PROJECT (BOP):** working for racial, social and economic justice through grassroots community organizing and policy-change.  
<http://blackorganizingproject.org/>
16. **CENTER FOR POLITICAL EDUCATION:** a Bay Area group building powerful movements from below and the left through education, analysis, theory, and dialogue.  
<http://www.politicaleducation.org/>
17. **DIAMANO COURA WEST AFRICAN DANCE COMPANY:** provides classes / workshops for West African dance and music at the Malonga Casquelourd Center for the Arts in Oakland. The Company has professional performances locally, nationally and internationally.  
<http://www.diamanocoura.org/>
18. **DOWNTOWN TAY:** Empowering the young adult community (16-24 years old) in Alameda County. Connecting to culture; inspiring hope; cultivating creativity; supporting wellness and promoting critical thinking.  
<http://www.downtowntay.org/>
19. **EAST OAKLAND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTER (EOYDC):** EOYDC develops the social, higher education and leadership capacities of youth and young adults (ages 6 – 24).  
<http://eoydc.org/>

20. **ELLA BAKER CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS:** advances racial and economic justice to ensure dignity and opportunity for low-income people and people of color.  
<http://ellabakercenter.org/>
21. **FREEDOM FARMERS' MARKET:** check the African American farmer's site for ordering your "Harvest Box" and to learn about farming or assist those wishing to maintain or create sustainable farms.  
<http://freedomfarmersmarket.com/>
22. **HAITI ACTION COMMITTEE---BAY AREA:** check details and info for local and global initiatives and events.  
<http://www.haitisolidarity.net/index>
23. **HUNTERS POINT FAMILY:** grass-roots, community-based organization providing holistic programs supporting at-risk youth and young adults living in BayView Hunters Point, San Francisco.  
<http://hunterspointfamily.org/>
24. **IJO ADULAWO ORISA TEMPLE OF OAKLAND:** Ijo Adulawo means the temple of Black Theology. Main objective is to promote spiritual development in the Bay Area through the study and practice of the Orisa Lifestyle. Online products and services available.  
<http://ijoadulawo.weebly.com/> + <http://www.orisalifestyle.com/>
25. **JAMAICAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (JAANC):** check details and info for local and global initiatives and events.  
<http://www.jaanc.org/>
26. **NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SACRED WOMAN CIRCLE:** receive and provide Sisterhood support through the Gateways and beyond! Services include Kemetic & Womb Yoga; and products include holistic teas, tonics, elixars, soaking salts and more.  
<http://www.holisticpsr.org/>
27. **ORISHA LIFESTYLE ACADEMY:** organization to develop and renew the community through special projects.  
<http://www.orisalifestyle.com/>
28. **OUSD RESTORATIVE JUSTICE:** Oakland Unified School Districts program that pilots a three-tiered model of prevention/ intervention/ supported reentry in response to conflict/harm.  
<http://www.ousd.org/Page/12324>
29. **OUTDOOR AFRO:** reconnects African-Americans with natural spaces and one another through camping, hiking, biking, fishing, gardening and more.  
<http://www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Afro/>
30. **PAN AFRICAN CITY ALIVE:** check the online store and Resource Center in Sunnyvale, CA for African art, clothing, books, culture, etc.  
<http://www.panafricanstore.com/default.aspx>
31. **PERALTA HACIENDA HISTORICAL PARK:** check the Oral History Project ("I Hear, I Keep: Stories From Oakland's Griots"). Wednesdays – Sundays, 2465 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Oakland, 510-532-9142  
[www.peraltahacienda.org](http://www.peraltahacienda.org)
32. **PRIORITY AFRICA NETWORK (PAN):** check the Bay Area's website for Pan African affairs, resources, organizations, events, news and updates, African Immigration, African restaurants, etc.  
<http://www.priorityafrica.org/index.html>

33. QILOMBO: a radical / forward movement community social center / organization.  
<http://qilombo.org/>
34. SWEET UNITY FARMS: a family and cooperative of coffee farmers based in Tanzania.  
[www.redbaycoffee.com](http://www.redbaycoffee.com)
35. USHIRIKA KENYA Inc.: check details and activities for the community-based nonprofit organization dedicated to building a strong, united and thriving Kenyan community in Northern California and throughout the U.S.  
[https://www.facebook.com/pages/Ushirika-Kenya-Inc/119089438101741?hc\\_location=timeline](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Ushirika-Kenya-Inc/119089438101741?hc_location=timeline)
36. VILLAGE-CONNECT: the mission is to build the capacity of people to become more self-aware and self-directed, resulting in sustainable positive transformation. The Project has received many awards.  
<http://www.village-connect.org/>
37. WANDA'S PICKS: check Bay Area events, radio show, blog, etc.  
<http://wandaspicks.com/current-picks/>
38. YOUTH SPEAKS: founded in 1996 in San Francisco, and champions a local, national, and increasingly global movement of young people picking up pens and stepping proudly onto stages, declaring themselves present.  
<http://youthspeaks.org/#>

## REGIONAL / NATIONAL / INTERNATIONAL

NEW: #52 (Africans Deserve Reparations)

39. ALL AFRICA: online news for all of Africa.  
<http://allafrica.com/>
40. ALL-AFRICAN PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY PARTY (AAPRP): a permanent, independent, revolutionary, socialist, Pan-African Political Party based in Africa.  
<http://www.aaprp-intl.org/>
41. AFRICA TIMES NEWS: THE AFRICAN NETWORK INFORMATION CENTER: comprehensive access in French and English to events in and about all countries in Africa. Organized by a group of young African journalists.  
<http://www.africa-times-news.com/>
42. AFRICAN AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS—NATIONAL
- The Final Call: <http://www.finalcall.com/>
  - National Newspaper Publishers Association—list of member newspapers:  
[http://www.nnpa.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=16&Itemid=45](http://www.nnpa.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=16&Itemid=45)
43. AFRICA GREAT LAKES NETWORKING FOUNDATION (AGL): committed to transform communities in Kenya and the Diaspora through education, information dissemination for knowledge, skills and sustainability.  
<http://africagreatlakesnetworkingfoundation.org/>
44. AFRICAN GLOBE: BLACK NEWS, POLITICS AND INFORMATION: dedicated to the propagation and the dissemination of news and information relating to, and of importance to African Peoples worldwide. Includes videos, biographies, etc.  
<http://www.africanglobe.net/>



**45. AFRICAN NEWSPAPERS ONLINE**

<http://www.onlinenewspapers.com/africa-newspapers.htm>

**46. AFRICAN NEWSPAPERS ON THE INTERNET: provided by Stanford University.**

<http://library.stanford.edu/depts/ssrg/africa/current2.html>

**47. AFRICAN / PAN AFRICAN NEWSPAPERS AND NEWS SITES**

<http://www.world-newspapers.com/africa.html>

**48. AFRICAN UNION (AU): official organization for 53 member African nations and the African Diaspora, with the head office in Ethiopia. Formerly Organization of African Union (OAU).**

- For info on each nation, and all AU programs and projects: <http://www.au.int/en/>
- For info about "Agenda 2063" (50 year proposals / projects for Africa): <http://agenda2063.au.int/>
- For live stream of important meetings: <http://summits.au.int/en/livestream?q=livestream>

**49. AFRICAN WOMEN'S DEVELOPMENT FUND - USA: a coalition of African women and their U.S. allies for various projects.**

[www.awdf.org/awdf-usa](http://www.awdf.org/awdf-usa) OR [www.awdf.org](http://www.awdf.org) (sister organization)

**50. AFRICANS RISING: a growing and self-selecting collective of social movements, NGOs, peoples and popular social justice movements, intellectuals, artists, sports people, cultural activists and others, across the continent and Diaspora.**

<http://www.africans-rising.org/>

**51. AFROPOP: THE ULTIMATE CULTURAL EXCHANGE: links to special worldwide Afro TV / Media presentations. A series on the present day realities and contemporary lifestyles of Africans, on the continent and the Diaspora.**

<http://afropop.tv/>

**52. AFRICANS DESERVE REPARATIONS: Coordinated by Baba Jahahara Amen-RA Alkebulan-Ma'at, Life Member & Past National Co-Chair of N'COBRA (National Coalition of Blacks for Reparations in America), and Founder of Foundations for Our New Alkebulan/Afrikan Millennium (FONAMI) and AFRICANS DESERVE REPARATIONS Campaign.**

<http://www.africansdeservereparations.com/index.html>

**53. ALL AFRICAN PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY PARTY (AAPRP): a permanent, independent, revolutionary, socialist, Pan-African Political Party based in Africa. The All-African People's Revolutionary Party recognizes that African People born and living in over 113 countries are one People, with one identity, one history, one culture, one Nation and one destiny.**

<http://www.aaprp-intl.org/>

**54. AMERICA'S BLACK HOLOCAUST MUSEUM: virtual galleries and links to resources to educate the public about the ongoing injustices endured by people of African heritage in America.**

<http://www.abhmuseum.org/>

**55. ARISTIDE FOUNDATION FOR DEMOCRACY: community and internationally sponsored programs which include the new Medical School at UNIFA (University of the Aristide Foundation) in Ayiti (Haiti).**

<http://www.aristidefoundationfordemocracy.org/>



56. ATLANTA BLACK STAR: online resource for global Pan African information on all topics (health, travel, politics, TV & film, lifestyle, parenting and more)  
<http://atlantablackstar.com/>
57. BLACK AGENDA REPORT: e-newsletter, business news/networks/incentives, etc.  
<http://www.blackagendareport.com/>
58. BLACK ALLIANCE FOR JUST IMMIGRATION (BAJI): educates and engages African American and black immigrant communities to organize and advocate for racial, social and economic justice. Has a Bay Area branch.  
<http://blackalliance.org/>
59. BLACK BUSINESS NETWORK: products sold from Black-owned businesses to Black consumers.  
<http://www.blackbusinessnetwork.com/Home/>
60. BLACK DOCTOR: healthy living and tips for African Americans.  
<http://blackdoctor.org/search/index.aspx>
61. BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN THE UK: magazine and official guide to events.  
<http://officialblackhistorymonthuk.co.uk/>
62. BLACK IN LA (LOS ANGELES): news and listings of events in and around and originating from Los Angeles.  
<http://www.blacknla.com/wp2/>
63. BLACK MONEY: provides the African-American market the same critical business information which drives major economies.  
<http://www.blackmoney.com/>
64. BLACK PUBLIC MEDIA / NATIONAL BLACK PROGRAMMING CONSORTIUM (NBPC): founded in 1979, the NBPC develops, produces, distributes and funds media content about the Black experience for public media outlets. Content provided online at BlackPublicMedia.org and via broadcast through AfroPoP: The Ultimate Cultural Exchange documentary series.  
<http://blackpublicmedia.org/>
65. BLACK STAR PROJECT: operates nationally with a belief in the strength of parental and community involvement in education to eliminate the racial academic achievement gap.  
<http://blackstarproject.org/action/>
66. BLACK WOMEN FOR WELLNESS - LOS ANGELES (BWWLA): is committed to the health and well-being of Black women and girls through health education, empowerment and advocacy.  
<http://www.bwwla.org/>
67. BLACK WOMEN'S HEALTH IMPERATIVE: dedicated to promoting optimum health for Black women across the life span - physically, mentally and spiritually.  
<http://www.healthyblackwomen.org/>
68. CARIBBEAN AMERICAN HERITAGE FOUNDATION TEXAS (CAHFT):  
<http://caribbeanheritagetx.org/>  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/TheCAHFT> (YouTube TV channel)

69. CARICOM / CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY SECRETARIAT: partnership of Caribbean nations for regional projects and development. Represented in PAHO (Pan American Health Organization) and UN (United Nations).  
<http://www.caricom.org>
70. CENTER FOR THE RESTORATION OF MA'AT: New York based organization providing courses, tours, TV and radio programs about the Kemetic legacy.  
[http://www.centerformaat.com/About\\_KLT.html](http://www.centerformaat.com/About_KLT.html)
71. THE CIVIL RIGHTS AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PROJECT (CRRJ) – Northeastern University School of Law: serves as a resource for scholars, policymakers, and organizers involved in initiatives seeking justice for crimes of the civil rights era.  
<http://nuweb9.neu.edu/civilrights/>
72. CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT VETERANS: includes important links and timeline of civil rights events from 1951 – 1968.  
<http://www.crmvet.org/>
73. CONGRESS OF SOUTH AFRICAN STUDENTS (COSAS): international organization for free, compulsory and relevant education and training systems that embrace democracy and equity and quality for students.  
<http://cosas.co.za/>
74. COLORED CONVENTIONS: info for conventions of African Descendents from 1830, organized by educators. Includes links, videos and other important info.  
<http://coloredconventions.org/conventions>
75. FEDERATION OF SOUTHERN COOPERATIVES / LAND ASSISTANCE FUNDS: an organization committed to save Black-Owned Land Since 1967 With Cooperatives.  
<http://www.federationsoutherncoop.com/>
76. FAWOHODIE SUA: Online Pan African educational co-op classes for youth.  
<http://www.fawohodieonlineclasses.com/home>
77. INSTITUTE OF THE BLACK WORD 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY: for building the capacity of Black communities in the U.S. to work for the social, political, economic and cultural upliftment of the global Black community.  
<http://ibw21.org>
78. INTERNATIONAL BLACK WOMEN'S CONGRESS: an international, non-profit networking organization; setting exemplary models of womanhood for building up African people worldwide.  
<http://www.ibwc.us/>
79. THE INTERNATIONAL COALITION TO COMMEMORATE AFRICAN ANCESTORS OF THE MIDDLE PASSAGE (ICCAAMP): organizes and lists international activities that are designed to remember the millions of Africans who were sold, kidnapped, shipped then died along the route from Africa to the Americas.  
<http://www.remembertheancestors.com/>
80. KNOWLEDGE FOR LIFE: founded in 1997 to bring relevant news, information and life enhancing programs to the Black community via multimedia.  
<http://www.know4life.org/> + News: <http://know4life.tumblr.com/>
81. MALCOLM X GRASS ROOTS MOVEMENT: information about today's community issues.  
<http://mxgm.org/>

82. **MAAT INSTITUTE FOR HOLISTIC EDUCATION:** organized study tours and curriculum to learn Kemet and ancient wisdom.  
<http://www.centerformaat.com/maatinstitute-aboutus.html>
83. **MY CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY:** regional social club, events, videos, TV, photos and more.  
<http://mycaribbean.us/>
84. **NAARVA.com:** the National African American RVer's Association, Inc. is a special RV Organization for “US” like no other RV Camping Organization.  
<http://naarva.com/>
85. **NCOBRA / National Coalition of Blacks for Reparations in America:** a mass-based coalition organized for the sole purpose of obtaining reparations for African descendants in the United States.  
<http://www.ncobraonline.org/>
86. **PAMBAZUKA NEWS:** Pan African Voices for Freedom and Justice.  
<http://www.pambazuka.org/en/>
87. **PAN AFRICAN NETWORK IN DEFENSE OF MIGRANTS RIGHTS (PANIDMR):** an Africa-led organization that promotes the well being and interests of migrants, refugees and stateless persons from Africa.  
<http://www.panidmr.org/>
88. **RACE FOR THE TIMES (RFT):** provides links to national and global projects for understanding racial issues. Includes in-depth interviews, conscious hip hop, radio archives and more.  
<http://www.raceforthetimes.com/tags/african-internationalism>
89. **RACIAL EQUALITY TOOLS:** this site offers tools, research, tips, curricula and ideas for those working toward racial equity and racial justice at every level – in systems, organizations, communities and the culture at large.  
<http://racialequitytools.org/home>
90. **RESTITUTION STUDY GROUP (RSG):** a non-profit institute based in New York City to examine and execute innovative approaches to healing the injuries of exploited and oppressed people. The RSG partners with community advocates to bring about litigation, legislation, genealogy and DNA research.  
<http://www.rsgincorp.com/index.html>
91. **SISTA WORKS:** an organization to connect women and girls of African Descent worldwide to enrich one another and discover the resources to fulfill their dreams.  
<http://www.sistaworks.org/>
92. **VISIONS & VICTORIES: VOICES FROM THE WORLD AFRICAN COMMUNITY** (monthly newsletter by WO’SE’s Brother Mxolisi).  
<http://hcvoice.wordpress.com>
93. **WORLD AFRICAN DIASPORA UNION (WADU):** Pan African events, history and information from renowned global Pan African Leaders.  
<http://www.wadupam.org/>
94. **YENOBA.COM:** free website featuring many major achievements and important dates for /by people of African Descent. It includes inventions, and leadership that have helped mankind world-wide.  
<http://www.yenoba.com/>

95. ZENVIBA CAPITAL CORPORATION: a non-profit investment bank that makes direct measurable impacts in underserved urban and rural communities.

<http://www.zenviba.com/index.html>

## **BOOKS FOR AFRICAN / AFRODESCENDENT HISTORY & HERITAGE**

### **A SHORT LIST OF SITES FOR AFRO-CENTRIC BOOKS (REVIEWS AND PURCHASE)**

1. AFRICA'S 100 BEST BOOKS OF THE 20<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY - The ASC (African Studies Center) Leiden Library, compiled a dossier on Africa's 100 Best Books of the 20th Century project. It includes an introduction, the top twelve list, the top hundred list, and a selection of Web resources  
<http://www.ascleiden.nl/content/webdossiers/africas-100-best-books-20th-century>
2. ASHAY BY THE BAY – African American and Multi-Cultural Children's Books  
Online catalog with 600+ bi-lingual and picture books and products. Provides special reading lists online and online or onsite book fairs for fundraising. Orders may be taken online, by email, phone or fax.  
[www.ashaybythebay.com](http://www.ashaybythebay.com)
3. THE BLACK BOOK REVIEW ONLINE  
<http://www.qbr.com>
4. BLACK BOOK PLUS - Knowledge Books  
NOTE: you may choose books from other categories such as Africa, Caribbean, etc.  
Publisher + online bookstore: <http://www.blackbookplus.com/KNOWLEDGE%20BOOKS.asp>
5. BLACK BOOKS DIRECT – African American History  
NOTE: you may choose books from other categories such as Africa, children's books, arts & media, bargain books, etc.  
Online bookstore: <http://www.blackbooksdirect.com/history.html>
6. MARCUS BOOK STORE - Home Library Must-Haves  
NOTE: you may choose from other categories such as art, history, elementary, middle School, high School, politics, science fiction, self-help, etc. Self-directed Book Clubs may meet at the Marcus Bookstore.  
Oakland + online: <http://marcusbooksoakland.com/>
7. PAN AFRICAN CITY LIVE – Special collection of African and African American books.  
Culture and Bookstore in Sunnyvale + online: <http://panafricancity.com/product-category/books/>
8. PER ANKH PUBLISHERS (owned by AYI KWEI ARMAH - author of "Two Thousand Seasons")  
Online bookstore (Bay Area distributor / facilitator): <http://www.perankhbooks.com/>