

WO'SE COMMUNITY



PAN AFRICAN AFFAIRS

This newsletter includes selected information and websites to check for Pan-African events and resources; and it is compiled by the WO'SE Council Elder for Pan African Affairs. You may view current and past monthly issues if you log on to the WO'SE Community website <http://www.wosecommunity.org/> and click on "Pan African Affairs Newsletter" under Latest News. You may also click on the Subscribe link to receive the monthly digital copy.

NOTE: If you have suggestions for additional listings or websites, please send email info to cjyatestt@yahoo.com.

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

8924 Holly Street, Oakland, CA 94621 / Call 510-632-8230

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/>

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

"WHAT IS WO'SE THEOLOGY?"

A Discussion by Baba Jahi

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

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

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

<https://hcvoice.wordpress.com/about/> AND <https://www.harambeeconnection.net/>

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

AUGUST 2019 / 6259 AKC (Ancient Kmt Calendar)

2019: YEAR OF RETURN FOR AFRICAN DIASPORAS TO GHANA

CHECK PAGES 26 - 29 FOR SPECIAL GHANA TOURS LISTED IN THIS NEWSLETTER

Ghana rolls out the red carpet to encourage resettlement in the motherland. In Washington, D.C., in September 2018, Ghana's President Nana Akufo-Addo declared and formally launched the "Year of Return, Ghana 2019" for Africans in the Diaspora, promoting the quest to unite Africans on the continent with their brothers and sisters in the Diaspora.

SPECIAL ARTICLE ON THE GHANA PROJECT IN THE UNITED NATION'S AFRICA ONLINE NEWS WEBSITE:

<https://www.un.org/africarenewal/magazine/december-2018-march-2019/2019-year-return-african-diaspora>

SPECIAL ISSUE OF EBONY MAGAZINE ONLINE WITH INFO FOR THE 2019 YEAR OF RETURN AND GHANA HISTORY :

<https://www.ebony.com/life/travel/ebony-travels-to-ghana-to-mark-400-years-since-the-middle-passage/>

PAN AFRICAN PROVERB / WISDOM FOR THE MONTH

**“I have come here to bear witness to the truth and to set the scales of justice
in their proper place among those who have no voice.”**

**From: “The Book of Coming Forth By Day” (Circa 2500 B.C.E.);
p. 15 in: “Honoring Our Ancestral Obligations” by Chike Akua, 2015**

WISDOM FROM THE HUSIA

**“If you are one of worth and wisdom who sits on a council of governance, apply your
heart and mind toward that which is wise.”**

**From: Selections From The Husia: Sacred Wisdom of Ancient Egypt /
The Book of Ptah-Hotep (p. 45, #XIII (13)), c1984 by Maulana Karenga**

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

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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/ 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

DANNY GLOVER: SPECIAL PRESENTATION ON REPARATIONS (Nov 2017)

<https://ibw21.org/news/actor-danny-glover-advocates-reparations-n-o-benefit/>

REPARATIONS RESOURCE CENTER

Includes information for reparations news and articles; and recommended links to global activities.

<https://ibw21.org/reparations-resource-center/>

NATIONAL COALITION OF BLACKS FOR REPARATIONS IN AMERICA (N'COBRA)

N'COBRA was convened for the purpose of broadening the base of support for the long-standing reparations movement. N'COBRA has chapters, members, affiliates, and supporters throughout the U. S. and in Africa, Europe, Central and South America and the Caribbean.

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

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.

https://ibw21.org/docs/naarc/NAARC_Preliminary_Reparations_Program.pdf

<https://ibw21.org/initiative-posts/naarc-posts/naarc-rolls-out-preliminary-10-point-reparations-plan/>

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

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/WOSESACRAMENTO>

ILE OMODE

No August activities. The new school year begins September 3rd. Check website for more details + events.

WO'SE SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS WITH SPECIAL SEGMENTS

SUNDAYS, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Join us for the Sunday Celebration that may include: Libation to Ancestors; an opening and closing Prayer Circle; Meditation; soul-stirring songs and music; the Litany of Sacrifice; and other inspiring activities and messages. Celebrations end with a healthy Karamu (communal meal). Note the special events below for August.

WO'SE "STONES OF FIRE" CHOIR & SUNDAY CELEBRATION

August 4th + August 18th: Celebration begins at 10:30 am

WO'SE's much praised "Stones of Fire" choir will share inspiring songs from Africa and The African Diaspora with artistic vocal, rhythmic and soul stirring performances. The Sunday Celebration on August 4th will include a message by Minister Imhotep from the WO'SE in Sacramento. The Sunday Celebration on August 18th will include Mama Darnisha's discussion about her Ghana experience. The Karamu (community meal) follows every Celebration.

WO'SE "SOUNDS OF MAAT" MUSIC SERVICE & SUNDAY CELEBRATION

August 11th + August 25th: Celebration begins at 10:30 am

The "Sounds of MAAT" with Brother David Goodlett and friends will provide music interlaced with soul inspiring songs that will get you on your feet! The Sunday Celebration on August 11th will include a Women of Wo'se (WOW) Water Ritual for healing and spiritual uplift. The Karamu (community meal) follows.

WO'SE MONTHLY SOUL SESSSION & CELEBRATION

August 25th: Celebration begins at 10:30 am

During this special monthly session we create an informal healing space for ancestral remembrance, inner reflection and soulful renewal. The "Sounds of MAAT" with Brother David Goodlett and friends will enhance this Celebration with three sets of music that will lift the soul and spirit, beginning at 10:30am, 11:30am and 12:30pm. The Celebration will include: Music & Movement & Message; Healthy Light Food; Spiritual Table Talks; and a Children's Activity Space.

AFRICAN DRUMMING SESSIONS

August 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th (Fridays), 7 – 8:30 pm

Join Baba Sidney in these "Learn-It-And-Share-It" sessions for those who have the calling for the African drum rhythms and the "Drum-Call" that are grounded in the Motherland of Africa, and are part of the cultural heritage and expressions in the Diaspora. Bring your drum or you are welcome to use the WO'SE drums! Donations appreciated.

SELECTED BAY AREA EVENTS FOR AUGUST 2019

NOTE: the listings below are part of the WO'SE "Pan African Affairs Newsletter" for August 2019

AUGUST 1 (Thursday), 6:30 – 8 pm; No Fee

"ARTIST TALK | DIGNITY IMAGES: BAYVIEW-HUNTERS POINT"

You are invited to the conversation with the Artist / Creator of the exhibition "Dignity Images: Bayview-Hunters Point" and Larry Ossei-Mensah, the exhibition's co-curator. They will discuss a number of themes related to the show including personal agency, liberation, and digital archiving; while exploring in depth the idea of the dignity image as it relates to the South San Francisco Neighborhood of Bayview-Hunters Point. Genevieve Leighton-Armah and Senait Hailemariam of BAYCAT will join in to provide their perspectives on partnering the exhibition.

The discussion will be moderated by Mark Sabb, Senior Director of Innovation and Engagement at MoAD. The program will include a wine reception.

Museum of the African Diaspora (MoAD), 685 Mission Street (at 3rd), San Francisco 94105

More info: 415-358-7200 OR

<https://www.moadsf.org/event/artist-talk-dignity-images-bayview-hunters-point/>

AUGUST 1 – 4 (Thursday – Sunday), No Fee (RSVP required; check link below)

"WEED THE PEOPLE CANNABIS CONFERENCE"

DAY ONE: (Thursday, August 1st): "Celebration & Ritual: New Moon in Leo"

7 – 8 pm: Community Altar for Ancestors & Say Their Name Wall; Led by Aima Paule

8 - 10 pm: New Moon Ceremony – Led by Bushmama Africa

DAY TWO (Friday, August 2nd): "The Artists' Way: Calling in the Gods"

7 – 9 pm: Film Presentation "Grass is Greener". Netflix Original by FabFive Freddy

DAY THREE (Saturday, August 3rd): "The State of Cannabis: A Call to Action"

11 am: Welcome by Melonie Green & Melorra Green, Co-Executive Directors of AAACC

11:30 am – 4:30 pm: Keynote: "How to unlock the promise, profit and power of Social Equity" by Christine De La Rosa, CEO and Co-Founder of the The People's Dispensary + Discussion

DAY FOUR (Sunday, August 4th): "BLACK AUGUST: Revolution: Unity and Resistance"

12 – 4 pm: In celebration of Black August, participants will: pay homage; celebrate the contributions of Black (Afro) radical thought to POC movements; and create an altar in honor of political prisoners who have given their lives and freedom to the movement. Participants are invited to participate in a letter writing campaign to Ruchell Magee, sole survivor of the Marin County Riots.

African American Art & Culture Complex (AAACC), 762 Fulton Street, San Francisco 94102

More info / RSVP: 415-922-2049 OR <http://aaacc.org/event/weed-the-people-conference/>

AUGUST 3 (Saturday), 11 am – 6 pm; No Fee

"3rd ANNUAL OYAE FESTIVAL: OAKLAND YOUTH ART EXPLOSION!"

NOTE: Artwork will be shown in the renowned Joyce Gordon Gallery from August 2 - 13

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN! The annual outdoor community youth arts festival inspiring and empowering our youth through the Arts returns to bring our community a FREE youth visual and performing arts festival featuring and organized by the Oakland youth and young adults! This youth extravaganza has garnered support from seasoned artists/mentors, community leaders and youth arts & cultural organizations. The Festival will include:

MAIN STAGE - Music and dance performances by local youth groups (ages 13+); **ART CRAWL** - Mentoring local

artists guiding youth with hands on art making; **OYAE! YOUTH ART EXHIBIT** - Youth curated art exhibition shown in the gallery; **YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS** - Youth produced products and art for sale; **HEALTH MARKET** - Wellness & Eco-education and the promotion of healthy eating; and **GET FIT** - Sports activities creatively motivating youth to move their bodies. Bring the Fam and come support our youth arts community!

More info: 510-465-8928 OR <http://jgordonfoundationofthearts.org/>

EVENT VENUE: 14th Street & Franklin Street, Oakland 94612

JOYCE GORDON GALLERY: 406 14th Street, Oakland 94612

AUGUST 3 (Saturday), 12 – 5 pm; No Fee (registration requested; check link below)

“BLACK CULTURAL ZONE BLOCK PARTY”

You are invited to come celebrate the East Oakland Black Cultural Zone at its best – where all are welcome! You will enjoy: local food trucks; a kids zone; cards and dominos; a Live DJ with music that represents the Town; performances from local artists & poets; and journalism spotlights from Oakland Voices local reporters. This is a celebration of East Oakland – past, present and future; and to the culture that defines it. If you no longer live here (but your heart is here), join the celebration of East Oakland’s past, present and future!

The event is presented by “East Oakland Black Cultural Zone, Sights & Sounds of East Oakland”

1407 Auseon Avenue (outside Lot @ Auseon Avenue and International Boulevard), Oakland 94621

More info / Registration: 510-544-8910 OR

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/black-cultural-zone-block-party-tickets-64924921187>

AUGUST 3 (Saturday), 1 – 2:30 pm; No Fee

“AFROSOLO IN THE GARDENS”

Another headliner for the Yerba Buena Gardens Festival (YBGF) are musicians from the AfroSolo Arts Festival that has played an essential role in nurturing, promoting and presenting art and culture from the African Diaspora. The

25th AfroSolo Arts Festival kicks off with this free jazz concert featuring an all-star quintet from AfroSolo

“Alumni” that includes: Piano master TAMMY HALL (who has performed high profile concerts with vocal stars Kim Nalley, Denise Perrier and others); Veteran drummer LEON JOYCE JR. (longtime accompanist for vocal legend Nancy Wilson and piano star Ramsey Lewis); Renowned bassist/composer MARCUS SHELBY; captivating harpist/vocalist DESTINY MUHAMMAD; and rising young Oakland saxophonist RANZEL MERRITT.

Esplanade, Yerba Buena Gardens, Mission Street (between 3rd & 4th Streets), San Francisco 94103

More info: 415-543-1718 OR <https://ybgfestival.org/event/afrosolo-2019/>

Check additional events at YBG at: <https://ybgfestival.org/events/>

AUGUST 4 (Sunday), 12 – 7 pm; \$7+ general / Free for age 65+ OR under 17

“3rd ANNUAL SOOAKLAND DAY FEST 2019”

This Fest is organized to celebrate not only SoOakland Day, but what it means to preserve the authentic culture and the beautiful diversity of Oakland. This community fun filled day will include: live music ,DJs, a variety of flavorful food vendors, a vendor market of over 65 vendors, a kid zone, and more...including an adult vibe lounge for the 21+ and up. Co-host for the event will be the Best Foundation, an Oakland based non-profit whose main focus and concern is to provide resources to underprivileged youth and families within Oakland. They will provide professional sport team ticket giveaways, back pack giveaways and more!

16th Street Train Station, 1601 Wood Street, Oakland 94607

More info / Tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sooakland-dayfest-2019-tickets-65142796859> OR <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sooakland-dayfest-2019-tickets-65142796859>

AUGUST 6 (Tuesday), 6 - 8 pm; No Fee

“THE CASE FOR REPARATIONS: BLACK HISTORY STUDY GROUP”

Should the United States government pay reparations to the descendants of slaves? As this topic gains national attention The Black History Study Group will explore earlier calls for reparations, compare historical arguments to current day reasoning and discuss testimony from recent congressional hearings. Check the website below for their links to articles, books and websites relevant to the topic. The discussion will start with “The Case for Reparations”, the cover story by Ta-Nehisi Coates in the 2014 “The Atlantic”. The Black History Study group of the African American Center meets monthly to discuss topics in African American history and culture within the broader context of American and world history with a focus on Black history in California and San Francisco.

San Francisco Public Library (Main Library, Fulton Room), 100 Larkin Street, San Francisco 94102

More info: (415) 557-4400 OR <https://sfpl.org/index.php?pg=1038978901>

AUGUST 7 (Wednesday), 6:30 - 9 pm;

\$5 seniors + students / \$10 general / MoAD members Free

“CARIBBEAN IN MOTION: A FILM SERIES”

The film “Moving In Place” by Lyka Sethi and Geoffrey Iwata (2018, 65 minutes) will be the final screening for this series.

Puerto Rico has been in a colonial relationship with the U.S. since 1898. This documentary examines the current problems facing the island (high poverty, the recent debt/economic crisis and the aftermath of Hurricane Maria); and includes info about “millennials” who are torn between their commitment to the island and its culture or leaving to pursue opportunities on the mainland. This Bay Area premiere of “Moving In Place” is co-hosted by Cine+Mas SF; and complements the Caribbean art MoAD exhibit, “Coffee, Rhum, Sugar and Gold: A Postcolonial Paradox”.

Museum of the African Diaspora (MoAD), 685 Mission Street (at Third), San Francisco 94105

More info / Tickets: 415-358-7200 OR 415-284-7800 (ext. 305) OR

<https://www.moadsf.org/blog/caribbean-in-motion-a-film-series/>

NOTE: Check MoAD website for other cultural activities / events / exhibits: <https://www.moadsf.org/>

AUGUST 10 (Saturday), 10 am – 3 pm; No Fee

“42nd ANNUAL HOLISTIC HEALTH FAIR”

Tell your family, friends and neighbors that people of all ages are invited to take advantage of a wealth of free services and activities at this event! Health related services include: screenings from Samuel Merritt University and other healthcare providers for blood pressure, cholesterol, dental, diabetes, vision, hearing, hepatitis C, HIV/AIDS, podiatry/foot, and back to school and sports physicals. Free mammograms will be provided from the Susan G. Komen Mobile Mammography Coach (mammogram appointments may be made by calling 800-341-6822 or by visiting the Courtyard or Family Life Center in the Allen Temple Lobby). Participants will also be able to enjoy seminars with valuable information on health and legal matters, a blood drive in partnership with the American Red Cross, a children’s play area, horseback rides, games for youth, free food, clothes, haircuts, backpacks, raffles, music and more!

Allen Temple Baptist Church, 8501 International Boulevard, Oakland 94621

More info: 510-544-8910 OR

<https://www.allen-temple.org/community/community-news/2663-2019-health-fair-saturday-august-10>

AUGUST 11 (Sunday), 10 am – 3 pm; No Fee

“HELLA VEGAN FOOD FEST”

“Better Black” and “Farmers Market” host this special event to get a good taste of food and Being Black (Afro)! The main event will be the “Best Vegan Dish Competition”. There will also be raffle prizes, a Kid Zone and some good entertainment. Vegan Vendors are invited to register, and Retail/Nonprofit booths and Volunteers are welcomed.

Jack London Square, 472 Water Street, Oakland 94607

More info: <https://www.betterblack.org/hella-vegan-food-fest>

AUGUST 13 (Tuesday), 12:30 – 1:30 pm; No Fee

“POETIC TUESDAY”

Some of the Bay Area’s best poets and musicians share their work in this event. RAINA J. LEÓN is an Afro-Latina, native Philadelphian, daughter, sister, madrina, comadre, partner, poet, writer, teacher educator, and author of three collections of poetry; PREETI VANGANI is a poet & essayist, and winner of the RL Poetry Award 2017; TANEAL LUNSFORD LYNX is a fourth generation Afro/Black San Franciscan and has more than 10 years of experience as a performing artist, curator, activist and educator in San Francisco; LAUREN WHEELER writes poetry, fiction, and contributes to “Black Nerd Problems”; and JADE WAY is a singer/songwriter and musician from Michigan.

Esplanade, Yerba Buena Gardens, Mission Street (between 3rd & 4th Streets), San Francisco 94103

More info: 415-543-1718 OR <https://ybgfestival.org/event/poetic-tuesday-2019-aug/>

Check additional events at YBG at: <https://ybgfestival.org/events/>

AUGUST 14 (Wednesday); 10 am (promptly in front of AAMLO); No Fee

“NEW ERA | NEW POLITICS WALKING TOUR”

Stroll through downtown and discover places where Oakland African American leaders have made their marks. Learn how Lionel Wilson, Delilah Beasley, Robert Maynard, the Dellums family, Josephine Baker, and others changed the Bay Area and California. Parking is available at the City Center West Garage (Jefferson Street between 12th and 14th streets).

African American Museum and Library (AAMLO), 659 14th Street (at Martin Luther King, Jr. Way), Oakland 94612

More info: 510-238-3234 OR <https://www.oaklandca.gov/resources/tour-8-new-era-new-politics-walking-tour>

AUGUST 17 (Saturday), 11 am– 6 pm; No Fee (donations appreciated)

“THE UMOJA FESTIVAL 2019 & AFRICAN AMERICAN DAY PARADE”

Umoja Fest brings the soul to Seafair! Celebrating the best of the Black community and African Diaspora culture in the northwest featuring Music, Food, Culture and family fun! Attractions include the Africatown Heritage Parade featuring dance troops and drill teams; Children’s Day & Family Fun Village; Soul N The Park; Afrobeats & Kulture Stage; Roots Stage; Heal The Hood Basketball Tournament; Hip Hop 4 Peace stage; delicious flavors of the African Diaspora from restaurants and food trucks; vendor marketplace; community resource Fair; and more! "Nowhere be like Africa, Nowhere be like home"... Let us continue to celebrate us! To celebrate unity! To celebrate love!

Lowell Park (West Oakland), 1180 14th Street, Oakland 94607

More info: <http://www.theumojafestival.com/> OR <https://www.facebook.com/events/854496941557695/>

AUGUST 18 (Sunday), 1 – 2:30 pm; No Fee

“BRAZIL IN THE GARDENS FEATURING FABIANA COZZA”

Fabiana Cozza, a leading interpreter of Afro-Brazilian song, is known for championing young composers. Her latest album “Partir” connects Afro-Brazilian music with its African roots in Cape Verde, Congo and Angola. She will be accompanied by São Paulo players, including percussionist Douglas Alonso and Henrique Araujo on bandolim (mandolin) and ukulele-like cavaco. The acclaimed São Paulo vocalist is making her California debut.

Esplanade, Yerba Buena Gardens, Mission Street (between 3rd & 4th Streets), San Francisco 94103

More info: 415-543-1718 OR <https://ybgfestival.org/event/brazil-in-the-gardens-2019/>

Check additional events at YBG at: <https://ybgfestival.org/events/>

AUGUST 18 (Sunday), 2 pm; No Fee (for reserved seat and table fees call or check website below)

“THE ISLEY BROTHERS: STERN GROVE FESTIVAL 82ND SEASON”

NOTE: may close out, so arrive 1-2 hours prior for a seat or lawn space + the early free Yoga event below
Transport provided for seniors and handicapped from 19th Avenue entrance to special seating

With a career spanning more than six decades, The Isley Brothers made their mark on the R&B charts with the million-selling hit “Shout,” and the #1 R&B hit “Twist And Shout”. Their 1969 hit “It’s Your Thing” was #1 on the Billboard R&B chart and earned a GRAMMY Award. They also had many other Billboard R&B chart-toppers. The free Isley Brothers Concert along with “The Big Picnic” (a benefit) close out the 82nd Festival season. The Big Picnic is a fundraising event benefiting Stern Grove Festival and its mission to present free concerts and education programs to the people of the Bay Area. Bring your food or eat from the Food Trucks. NOTE: free noon Yoga Class courtesy of Office Yoga.

Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, 19th Avenue and Sloat Boulevard, San Francisco 94132

More info: 415-252-6252 OR <https://www.sterngrove.org/august-18-2019/>

AUGUST 18 (Sunday), 5 pm (doors open 4:30 pm); Donations appreciated

“BLACK INFLUENCE: SCREENING OF PLANET B-BOY”

The “Planet B-Boy” film is a 2007 documentary film that focuses on the 2005 Battle of the Year (BOTY) while also describing B-boy (Break Dance) culture and history as a global phenomenon. BOTY, is an annual international breakdancing competition that began in 1990. This documentary was directed by Canadian-American Korean filmmaker Benson Lee. The Liberated Film Collective offers this screening in its current series of cognitive Afro films. Discussion and complimentary snacks are part of this event.

Omni Commons, 4799 Shattuck Avenue, Oakland 94609

More info: <https://liberatedlens.org/black-influence>

AUGUST 28 (Wednesday), 12 – 1 pm; No Fee

“SOUL MECHANIX: OAKLAND SUMMER SOUNDS CONCERT SERIES”

Enjoy another lunch break with “Soul Mechanix” as they blend groove-based Soul improv and progressive Funk drawing from a diverse universe of influences. Born from a fire to create something funky and unpredictable, their Soul & Funk includes songs from Michael, Marvin, Stevie, Chaka, Erykah, Donny, Aretha, Bill Withers, Jill Scott, Mary J. Blige, Maze, Cameo, Funkadelic, Parliament, James Brown, Roberta Flack, O’Jays, Slave, Ohio Players, Commodores and many more!

Oakland City Center, 500 12th Street, Oakland 94607

More info: 510-830-1650 OR <https://oaklandcitycenter.com/events>

ONGOING BAY AREA EVENTS & SPECIAL PROJECTS

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

NOTE: the listings below are part of the WO'SE "Pan African Affairs Newsletter" for August 2019

"TAKE ROOT: OAKLAND GROWS FOOD"

Now until November, 2019 (check for exhibit days/times + fees)

An exhibition exploring the ecological and cultural factors of how and why food is grown in Oakland. Enjoy this hands-on exhibition with the entire family and: hear personal stories from farmers and growers within the community; see compelling illustrations and maps; and meet the diverse flavors of Oakland! Learn what motivations Oaklanders have for growing food (including access to healthy and delicious ingredients); environmental and social justice values; or simply the joy of tending a garden. Visitors are invited to: share personal stories, explore interactive activities, and gain a deeper understanding of Oakland's agriculture.

Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street, Oakland 94607

More info: 510-318-8400 OR <http://museumca.org/exhibit/take-root-oakland-grows-food>

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 OR www.SaveNubia.org

FOLKLORIC AFRO-CUBAN RHYTHM & DANCE

Every 1st & 3rd Sundays, 3 – 5 pm

Come enjoy the Afro-Cuban folkloric drums, dances, and songs of rumba. Rumba is the word used for a group of related, community-oriented, music and dance styles in Cuba. Rumba developed in rural Cuba, with strong influences from African drumming and Spanish poetry and singing. Donations appreciated.

La Peña Cultural Center, 3105 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley 94705

More info / Registration: 510-849-2568 OR <https://lapena.org/event/cuban-rumba-jam-community-event/all/>

CAPOEIRA ANGOLA

Instructor: Sergio Bitencour

Tuesdays 7pm-9pm & Saturdays 2pm-4pm until December 2019

Capoeira Angola, a martial art and ritual combat dance, is one of the major expressions of an African, specifically Kongo-Angolan, continuum in Brazil. It is believed that its origins may go as far back as the 16th century, when Africans from western Central Africa were enslaved and taken to Brazil, specifically Salvador and the surrounding Recôncavo region. In its history and practice, Capoeira Angola reflects the philosophy and aesthetics of its origins. Capoeira Angola integrates music, movement, theatrics, play, martial arts, philosophy, and spirituality. Sergio teaches Capoeira Angola as a path to self-knowledge and a way of life that can serve as a vehicle for the development of ethnic pride and the fight for human rights. Within Capoeira Angola is the history of the political and cultural resistance and struggle of Afro-Brazilians and their role in the formation of Brazilian society.

La Peña Cultural Center, 3105 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley 94705

More info / Registration: 510-849-2568 OR <https://lapena.org/event/capoeira-angola-2/2019-08-13/>

NOTE: Check additional centers at the International Capoeira Angola Foundation (Oakland), 510-545-2022

“MINDFUL DRUMMING MEDITATION”

Experience the twin concepts of rhythm and sound-wave vibration as a way of meditation. Mindful Drumming is an expedient way of tapping into one’s natural rhythm; and it brings one into the now and into one’s joy and happiness.

Sessions are facilitated by Baba Kokomon Clottey who has a MBA; and is a master drummer, storyteller, record producer, author and teacher. He is also the cofounder and Executive Director of the Attitudinal Healing Connection Inc., in Oakland, California and in Ghana, West Africa. He was born to the Ga Adagbe group in Accra that is rich with ancient codes of conduct, deep spiritual beliefs, and rituals of power. He is cherished for his contributions.

Attitudinal Healing Connection (AHC), 1980 Mandela Parkway, Oakland 94607

More info / Registration: 510-652-5530 OR <http://www.ahc-oakland.org/mindful-drumming-1>

“COLOR THEORY - RACIAL HEALING CIRCLE”

Racism is defined as a life threatening disease. Come to engage in deep dialogue and explore personal beliefs, fears, and attitudes about race in a safe and non-judgmental environment. This is a monthly dialogue for community building.

The Racial Healing Circle is 28 years old and is an offering to the local and global community.

Attitudinal Healing Connection (AHC), 1980 Mandela Parkway, Oakland 94607

More info / RSVP: 510-652-5530 OR <http://www.ahc-oakland.org/new-events>

SPECIAL PROGRAMS AT OAKLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY BRANCHES & THE OAKLAND MUSEUM

ALL BRANCHES & MAIN LIBRARY: <http://oaklandlibrary.org/events>

African American Museum & Library at Oakland, 659 14th Street, Oakland 94612

510-637-0200 OR <http://oaklandlibrary.org/locations/african-american-museum-library-oakland>

Martin Luther King Jr. Branch, 6833 International Boulevard, Oakland 94621

English As A Second Language Conversation Club

510-615-5728 OR <http://oaklandlibrary.org/locations/martin-luther-king-jr-branch>

Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street, Oakland 94612

Storytime & Bike Library Fridays

510-318-8400 OR <http://oaklandlibrary.org/events/oakland-museum-california>

West Oakland Branch, 1801 Adeline Street, Oakland 94607

510-238-7352 OR <http://oaklandlibrary.org/locations/west-oakland-branch>

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://opcmusic.org/programs/#bgp_slide

COMMUNITY PRODUCE STAND WITH MANDELA MARKETPLACE

On Thursdays (11 am – 1 pm), stop by the Community Produce Stand to purchase local farm fresh produce and wholesome basic staples at affordable prices in a convenient, and friendly atmosphere. Most products are certified organic or pesticide free and all EBT customers receive a 50% off their entire purchase. Mandela MarketPlace is a non-profit organization that works in partnership with local residents, family farmers, and community-based businesses to improve health, create wealth, and build assets through cooperative food enterprises.

Oakland Main Library (Outside the Children's Room), 125 14th Street, Oakland 94612

More info: 510-238-3134 OR

<http://oaklandlibrary.org/events/main-library/community-produce-stand-mandela-marketplace>

NOTE: Check the following website for special activities at all Oakland Public Libraries that include: free lawyer services, housing assistance, movies for families, free computer help and workshops, job help and much more.

<http://oaklandlibrary.org/events>

FILHOS DE BIMBA BAY AREA

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. 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, with its effective method of teaching, character building, and rituals.

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

RAFIKI COALITION: BUILDING A HEALTHIER COMMUNITY SINCE 1986

Rafiki Coalition's mission is to eliminate inequalities in San Francisco's Black and marginalized communities through education, advocacy, and by providing health and wellness services including, but not limited to, health education, movement classes, health screenings, advocacy, transitional housing and case management services for people living with HIV/AIDS, trauma resiliency and mental health circles, and other health-promoting activities. Although based in San Francisco, the Bay Area attends and benefits from the activities. Check their monthly calendar of events.

More info: 415-615-9945 OR <http://rafikicoalition.org/>

PAN AFRICAN HOLIDAYS / SPECIAL EVENTS FOR AUGUST 2019

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NOTE: dates may vary for each of the holidays.

Check worldwide public holidays for any nation on website: <http://www.gppstudio.net/publicholidays.htm>

AUGUST 1: "Emancipation Day" in Barbados; "Independence Day" in Benin + Guyana + Jamaica + Saint Lucia + Saint Vincent & The Grenadines + Trinidad & Tobago + Turks & Caicos Islands; and "Parents' Day" in Zaire (Democratic Republic of the Congo). **AUGUST 2:** "Umuganura (Harvest Thanksgiving)" in Rwanda. **AUGUST 3:** "Freedom Day" in Equatorial Guinea; "Pidjiguiti Day (Battle)" in Guinea Bissau; and "Independence Day" in Niger. **AUGUST 4:** "Founders' Day" in Ghana. **AUGUST 5:** "Carnival Monday/Jouvert/JumpUp" in Anguilla + Antigua & Barbuda + Grenada; "Emancipation Day" in The Bahamas + Grenada; "Kadooment Day (Crop Over)" in Barbados; "Independence Day" in Burkina Faso; "Emancipation Day/August Monday" in Anguilla + Dominica + Grenada + Montserrat; "August Monday/Culturama" in Saint Kitts & Nevis; and "Farmers' Day" in Zambia. **AUGUST 6:** "Independence Day" in Jamaica; "August Tuesday/Culturama" in Saint Kitts & Nevis; and "Carnival Tuesday/Last Lap" in Antigua & Barbuda + Grenada. **AUGUST 7:** "Independence Day" in Cote d' Ivoire (Ivory Coast). **AUGUST 8:** "Wakulima ya Nane Nane (Peasants' Day)" in Tanzania; and "August Thursday" in Anguilla. **AUGUST 9:** "Women's Day" in South Africa; "Constitution Day" in Anguilla; and "Indigenous Peoples' Day" in Suriname. **AUGUST 11:** "Tabaski (Feast of Sacrifice)" in Benin + Burkina Faso + Burundi + Cameroon + Central African Republic + Chad + Comoros + Cote d' Ivoire (Ivory Coast) + Djibouti + Egypt (Kemet) + Eritrea + Gabon + The Gambia + Ghana + Guinea + Guinea Bissau + Guyana + Madagascar + Rwanda + Senegal + South Sudan + Sudan + Suriname + Tanzania + Togo + Tunisia + Uganda; "Independence Day" in Chad. **AUGUST 12:** "Feast of Sacrifice" in Ethiopia + Kenya (only for Muslims) + Mali + Mauritania + Sierra Leone + Somalia; "Heroes' Day" in Zimbabwe; and "Carnival Monday" in Grenada. **AUGUST 13:** "Independence Day" in Central African Republic; and "Carnival Tuesday" in Grenada; "Women's Day" in Tunisia; and "Defense Forces Day" in Zimbabwe. **AUGUST 15:** "Assumption Day" in Benin + Burkina Faso + Burundi + Cameroon + Cape Verde + Central African Republic + Cote d' Ivoire (Ivory Coast) + French Guiana + Gabon + The Gambia + Guadeloupe + Guinea + Haiti + Madagascar + Martinique + Rwanda + Saint Barthelemy + Saint Martin + Senegal + Seychelles + Togo; "National Day" in the Republic of Congo; and "Constitution Day" in Equatorial Guinea. **AUGUST 16:** "Fete de l' Independence/National Day" in Gabon; and "Restoration Day" in Dominican Republic. **AUGUST 24:** "National Flag Day" in Liberia. **AUGUST 26:** "Heroes' Day" in Namibia; and "National Day of Repentance" in Papua New Guinea. **AUGUST 31:** "Independence Day" in Trinidad & Tobago; and "Islamic New Year" in Comoros + Djibouti + Egypt (Kemet).

SELECTED AFRICAN / AFRICAN DIASPORA HISTORY NOTES FOR AUGUST

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Two websites mainly used for the history notes are: <http://www.blackfacts.com> and <http://www.yenoba.com/>

AUGUST 1: 1834 - Slavery was outlawed in countries colonized by the British. Over 700,000 persons were freed.
1867 - Afro Americans in Tennessee voted for the first time in a southern state election.
1879 - Mary Eliza Mahoney was the first Afro to graduate from a nursing school (program at the New England Hospital for Women and Children).
1920 - UNIA (United Negro Improvement Association) held its first convention in New York.
1925 - National Bar Association established for Afro lawyers.
1943 - Race riot in Harlem, New York.

- 1944 - Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. from New York, was elected as the first Afro American Congressman for the Eastern States.
- 1960 - Dahomey (Benin) became an independent African nation.
- 1961 - Whitney Moore Young, Jr. was named Executive Director of the National Urban League.
- 1964 - Arthur Ashe was first Afro to win the Wimbledon; and the first Afro named to the US Davis Cup team.
- 1993 - Dr. Barbara Rose-Lee was first Afro woman named as head of a Medical School (Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine).
- 1996 - Michael Johnson became the only male athlete in history to win both the 200 meter dash and 400 meter dash events at the same Olympics.

AUGUST 2:

- 1847 - William A. Leidesdorff launched the first steamboat in the San Francisco Bay.
- 1850 - William Still started the Underground Railroad.
- 1920 - Marcus Garvey presented his "Back To Africa" program at the UNIA convention in New York.
- 1920 - William Leidesdorff launched the first steamboat in the San Francisco Bay.
- 1956 - British Parliament passed the act to establish the Federation of the West Indies.
- 1966 - The Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science was chartered in Los Angeles, California. The school was named for Dr. Charles Richard Drew, a pioneer in blood plasma research.
- 1980 - Thomas "Hit Man" Hearns won the World Boxing Association's welterweight title. He was the first Afro American to win titles in five boxing weight classes.
- 1982 - Jackie Robinson, the first baseball player of Afro descent in the major leagues, was commemorated on a U.S. postage stamp (the fifth in its Black Heritage USA series). Additional stamps for Jackie Robinson have been released.
- 1997 - Fela Kuti, Nigerian musician and political activist died of AIDS (maybe???) in Lagos.

AUGUST 3:

- 1865 - The provisional governor of Florida abolished enslavement by a proclamation.
- 1897 - L. P. Ray, inventor, patented the Dust Pan (Patent # 587,607).
- 1908 - Allensworth Township was organized for Afro Americans in California (Tulare County).
- 1928 - William A. Scott, III founded the "Atlanta Daily World", the first Afro modern daily newspaper.
- 1960 - Niger became an independent African nation.
- 1970 - African People's Congress met in Atlanta, Georgia; and was attended by over 2,000 delegates.
- 1992 - A 2-day strike by 4 million native South Africans against the "white" government was called by the Congress of South African Trade Unions.
- 1996 - Josia Thugwane became the first South African to win an Olympic Gold Medal for the marathon.

AUGUST 4:

- 1936 - "Long" John Woodruff won an Olympic gold medal in the 800-meter run.
- 1953 - Movement of Afro families into Trumbull Park housing project in Chicago triggered a riot for over 3 years.
- 1961 - Barack Obama, the first U.S. president with African descent, was born in Honolulu, Hawaii.
- 1964 - Bodies of 3 murdered civil rights workers were found near Philadelphia, Mississippi.

AUGUST 5:

- 1864 - President Andrew Johnson moved to reverse the policy of distributing abandoned land to freedmen.
- 1914 - The first electric lights, invented by Garret Morgan, were installed in Cleveland, Ohio.
- 1928 - William A. Scott, III founded the "Atlanta Daily World", the first contemporary Afro daily newspaper.
- 1960 - Burkina Faso became an independent African nation.

- 1962** - Nelson Mandela was arrested in South Africa, and imprisoned for 27 years
- 1984** - Edwin Moses and Evelyn Ashford won gold medals for track & field in the World Olympics.
- AUGUST 6:** **1965** - President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Voting Rights Act, that outlawed the literacy test for voting eligibility in the South.
- AUGUST 7:** **1925** - West African Students Union was founded in London.
- 1948** - Alice Coachman, Tuskegee track star, was the first U.S. woman to win an Olympic Gold Medal. She was inducted into the National Track & Field Hall of Fame in 1975.
- 1954** - Charles H. Mahoney, was confirmed as the first Afro American delegate to the UN.
- 1960** - Cote D' Ivoire (Ivory Coast) became an independent African nation.
- 1968** - Hundreds were injured and three murdered in the Miami, Florida race riot.
- 1989** - George Thomas "Mickey" Leland, Congressman who chaired the House Select Committee on World Hunger, died in a plane crash (planned???) while observing Ethiopian refugee camps.
- 1991** - The African National Congress (ANC) ended the 30-year armed struggle against the South African apartheid regime.
- 1992** - The Mozambique civil war truce was called between the government and the National Resistance Movement (RENAMO) forces.
- AUGUST 8:** **1796** - Boston African Society was established with 44 members.
- 1805** - The African Baptist Church was organized in Boston, Massachusetts.
- 1865** - Matthew Henson, the first explorer to reach the North Pole, was born in Charles County, Maryland. In 1986, Henson was commemorated on a postage stamp.
- 1885** - Afro William C. Carter, patented an umbrella stand (U.S. patent#323,397).
- 1960** - Cote D' Ivoire / Ivory Coast became an independent African nation.
- 1964** - Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party led by Fannie Lou Hammer challenged Democratic Party racism.
- 1997** - Robert L. Curbeam, astronaut, began an 11-day mission aboard the Space Shuttle Discovery, flight STS-85, to study the Earth's ozone layer.
- AUGUST 9:** **1848** - The Free Soil party organized at Buffalo, NY convention was attended by Black abolitionists.
- 1936** - Jesse Owens won 4 gold medals in track and field at the Berlin Olympics.
- 1956** - 20,000 women marched against pass laws in Pretoria, South Africa.
- 1960** - Race riot in Jacksonville, Florida; 50 were reported injured after 10-day sit-in demonstrations.
- 1961** - James B. Parsons became the first Afro appointed to Federal District Court in the U.S.
- 1987** - The TLC Group, headed by Reginald Lewis, purchased Beatrice Foods International. This was the largest contemporary business acquisition obtained by a person of Afro Descent.
- AUGUST 10:** **1829** - Race riot in Cincinnati, Ohio forced over 1,000 African Americans to leave the city.
- 1981** - The Coca-Cola Bottling Company agreed to pump \$34 million into Afro businesses and the Afro community, in order to end a national boycott called by PUSH.
- 1984** - Carl Lewis duplicated Jesse Owens' 1936 Olympic record-setting performance of four Gold Medals. Jesse Owens won his fourth gold medal at the Berlin Olympics.
- AUGUST 11:** **1960** - Chad became an independent African nation.
- 1965** - Watts Rebellion began in Los Angeles, California and continued through August 17; with over 1,000 injuries + 4,000 arrests.
- 1965** - U.S. Senate confirmed nomination of Thurgood Marshall as U.S. Solicitor General.
- AUGUST 12:** **1922** - Frederick Douglass' home in Washington, D.C. was declared a national shrine.
- 1965** - Race riot in West Side of Chicago, Illinois.

- 1977 - Stephen Biko, leader of the Black Consciousness Movement In South Africa, was arrested.
 1990 - August Wilson won his second Pulitzer Prize for his play, "The Piano Lesson".
- AUGUST 13:** 1881 - The first nursing school for Afros opened at Spellman College in Atlanta, Georgia.
 1892 - First issue of "Afro American" newspaper was published in Baltimore, Maryland.
 1906 - Black (Afro) soldiers raided Brownsville, Texas, in retaliation for racial insults.
 1960 - The Central African Republic became an independent African nation.
 1965 - General strike and demonstrations forced the resignation of the Congo Republic President, Fulbert Youlou.
 1989 - Wreckage of plane with U.S. Congressman Mickey Leland and others on a humanitarian mission, was found on an Ethiopian mountainside. There were no survivors.
- AUGUST 14:** 2007 - Asa Hilliard III, educator and historian, made his "passage to the next life" in Cairo, Egypt.
 1876 - Prairie View A&M State University in Texas (Historically Black College) was founded.
 1908 - Race riot in Springfield, Illinois led to the founding of NAACP.
 1961 - Jomo Kenyatta, Kenya independence leader was released by the British colonial authority.
 1989 - The first National Black Theater Festival was held in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.
- AUGUST 15:** 1824 - African Nation of Liberia was established by enslaved Africans who returned from the U.S.
 1843 - 70 delegates from 12 states met in Buffalo, New York for the National Black Convention and made plans for a strike by enslaved Africans.
 1888 - Granville T. Woods patented the electromechanical brake (patent # U.S. 368,265). NOTE: Mr. Woods was issued 45 patents between 1884 and 1907.
 1960 - The Congo became an independent African nation.
 1973 - The National Black Feminist Organization (NBFO) was formed in New York City, with Michele Wallace, Faith Ringgold, and Eleanor Holmes-Norton among the co-founders.
 1979 - Andrew Young resigned as UN ambassador after an unauthorized meeting with representatives of the Palestine Liberation Organization.
- AUGUST 16:** 1972 - The Rev. Phillip A. Potter, a Methodist minister from Dominica, was named General Secretary of the World Council of Churches.
- AUGUST 17:** 1887 - Marcus Garvey, founder of the United Negro Improvement Association and the "Back to Africa" movement, was born in Jamaica.
 1897 - W.B. Purvis, inventor, patented the electric railway switch (Patent # 588,176).
 1938 - Boxer Henry Armstrong won the World Lightweight title.
 1960 - Gabon became an independent African nation.
 1993 - Jackie Joyner-Kersey won the 17th consecutive heptathlon at the World Track and Field Championships in Stuttgart, Germany.
- AUGUST 18:** 1859 - Harriet Wilson's "Our Nig" was the first novel published by an Afro writer in the U.S.
 1950 - Edith Sampson was the first Afro American appointed as a U.S.A. representative to the UN.
 1963 - James Meredith became the first Afro American to graduate from the University of Mississippi.
 1964 - South Africa was banned from the Olympic Games because of its apartheid policies.
 1971 - Police raided the Republic of New Africa's headquarters in Jackson, Mississippi.
- AUGUST 19:** 1791 - Benjamin Banneker, one of the planners of Washington, DC, published his first Almanac.
 1884 - M.C. Harvey's lantern was patented (patent # 303844).
 1926 - Theodore Flowers won the world middleweight boxing title in New York City.

- 1954 - Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, diplomat and the first Afro American winner of the "Nobel Peace Prize", was named Under-Secretary of United Nations.
- 1963 - NAACP Youth Council began sit-ins at lunch counters in Oklahoma City.
- 1989 - Bishop Desmond Tutu defied apartheid laws by walking alone on the beach in South Africa.
- 1992 - The Free National Movement won elections in The Bahamas, ending 19 years of rule by the Progressive Liberal Party.
- 1995 - The Abuja Accord brought temporary cessation of the Liberian civil war.
- AUGUST 20:** 1619 - The first group of 20 enslaved Africans were brought to Jamestown, Virginia by the Dutch.
- 1856 - Wilberforce University, a Historically Black College, was established in Ohio.
- 1944 - The SS Frederick Douglass (the first ship named in honor of a man of Afro descent), was lost (?) at sea near Europe.
- 1944 - Spingarn Medal was presented to Charles R. Drew who set up and ran the blood plasma bank in the Presbyterian Hospital in New York City.
- 1960 - Senegal became an independent African nation.
- 1983 - The anti-apartheid organization, United Democratic Front, was launched in Cape Town.
- 1993 - Dr. David Satcher, genetic researcher, became the first Afro American Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in the U.S.
- 1999 - Tiger Woods was named PGA Player of the Year for golf and the Associated Press Male Athlete of the Year.
- AUGUST 21:** 1831 - Nat Turner led the 3-day revolt that killed over 60 caucasians and 250 enslaved Africans.
- 1927 - The Fourth Pan African Congress was held in New York City, August 21 – 24.
- 1971 - George Jackson, member of the Black Panther Party, was murdered in the San Quentin Prison.
- AUGUST 22:** 1791 - Haitian Revolution began.
- 1831 - Nathaniel "Nat" Turner led a slave revolt in Virginia.
- 1843 - Henry Highland Garnet made the call for "Return to Africa", a general slave strike and armed struggle against slavery, at the National Convention of Black Men in Buffalo, New York.
- 1867 - Fisk University, Historically Black College was incorporated.
- 1910 - The famous Howard Theater in Washington, DC, opened for Broadway shows and musical entertainment.
- 1978 - Jomo Kenyatta, Kenyan president and revolutionary, "passed to the next life" in Mombasa, Kenya.
- 1989 - Huey P. Newton, co-founder of the Black Panther Party, was killed in Oakland, California.
- 1995 - The Republic of Ethiopia was formally proclaimed. NOTE: Ethiopia was the only African nation that was not colonized.
- AUGUST 23:** 1796 - AME (African Methodist Episcopalian) Zion Church was formed.
- 1900 - Booker T. Washington formed the National Negro Business League in Boston, Massachusetts.
- 1908 - National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses, was formed and lead by Martha M. Franklin to improve the status of Afro American nurses.
- 1926 - Carter Woodson, historian and author, inaugurated the Negro History Week.
- 1958 - A week of race riots began in the Notting Hill area of London, England.
- 1976 - 200,000 African workers went on strike in solidarity with the Soweto people in South Africa.
- AUGUST 24:** 1831 - Nat Turner led an armed struggle against enslavement in Virginia.
- 1836 - Henry Blair's cotton picking machine was patented.

- 1854 - 100 delegates met in Cleveland, Ohio for the National Emigration Convention, an Afro organization advocating emigration back to Africa.
- 1950 - Judge Edith Sampson was named as the first Afro descent delegate to the United Nations.
- 1990 - 4,000 ECOWAS peacekeeping force (from Ghana, Nigeria, Guinea, Sierra Leone and The Gambia) was deployed in Liberia.

AUGUST 25:

- 1886 - Kentucky State College was founded as the State Normal School for Colored (Afro) Persons.
- 1908 - National Association of Colored Nurses was founded.
- 1925 - A. Phillip Randolph founded the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters.
- 1965 - James Madison Nabrit, Jr. was named Ambassador to the United Nations delegation.
- 1968 - Arthur Ashe won the U.S. Amateur Men's Singles Championship.
- 1976 - The COINTELPRO operation was revealed in a letter. The program aimed to neutralize the Black Panthers, the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the NAACP and other similar organizations

AUGUST 26:

- 1943 - William L. Dawson was elected as the first Afro Democratic Party Vice Presidential candidate.
- 1947 - Dan Bankhead became the first Negro (Afro) League pitcher in Major League Baseball.
- 1966 - Namibia's armed struggle was launched by SWAPO against South Africa's occupation.
- 1989 - Over 25,000 people re-enacted the 1917 NAACP march in Washington D.C. to protest the U.S. Supreme Court's undermining of affirmative action.
- 1994 - Dorothy Height, "Godmother of the Civil rights Movement", was awarded the U.S. Presidential Medal of Freedom.

AUGUST 27:

- 1963 - W.E.B. DuBois, scholar, civil rights activist and founder of the NAACP, died in Accra, Ghana.
- 1966 - Riots in Waukegan, Illinois.
- 1975 - Haile Selassie, the deposed emperor of Ethiopia, made his passage to the next life at age 83.
- 1988 - Over 50,000 people marched in Washington D.C. to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the 1963 March on Washington.

AUGUST 28:

- 1921 - Second Pan-African Congress met in London, Brussels and Paris. Of the 113 delegates, 39 were from Africa and 36 were from the U.S.
- 1955 - 14-year old Emmett Till was kidnapped in Money, Mississippi after being accused of whistling at a "white" woman. His body was found four days later. He had been brutally murdered.
- 1963 - March on Washington event, the largest civil rights demonstration to date in U.S. history. Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. delivered the "I Have A Dream" speech.
- 1964 - Riots in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 1988 - Beah Richards, poet, playwright and author won an Emmy Award for her outstanding guest performance in "Frank's Place".
- 1989 - Riots in Vineland, New Jersey following the police murder of an Afro American man.
- 1997 - Proposition 209, a California statute that virtually eliminated Affirmative Action, went into effect. This was the 34th anniversary of the "March on Washington." The Reverend Jesse Jackson led nearly 7,000 people in a "Save the Dream March" across the San Francisco Golden Gate Bridge in protest of the Proposition.
- 1997 - Thousands of Haitians marched from Brooklyn to Manhattan, to protest the savage beating and sexual assault of Abner Louima, a 30-year-old Haitian immigrant who was tortured by New York City police officers.
- 2008 - Barack Obama officially accepted the Democratic Presidential Nomination.

- AUGUST 29:** 1957 - The Civil Rights (Voting Rights) Act of 1957 was passed. The Act established a civil rights commission division within the Justice Department and allowed the Justice Department to litigate against violations of voting rights.
- 1962 - Mal Goode, Afro American news commentator, began broadcasting on ABC.
- 1970 - Black Panthers had an armed clash with police in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 1979 - Sheridan Broadcasting Corp purchased the Mutual Black Network, making it the first completely Afro American owned radio network in the world.
- AUGUST 30:** 1800 - Gabriel Prosser, an enslaved African, organized a slave revolt in Virginia.
- 1838 - The first Afro American magazine, "Mirror of Freedom", began publication in New York City.
- 1854 - John C. Fremont issued a proclamation freeing the enslaved of Missouri. President Lincoln revoked the proclamation.
- 1856 - Wilberforce University in Ohio, was established by the AME Church.
- 1966 - African nations of Burundi, Rwanda and Zaire signed a mutual security pact.
- 1966 - Constance Baker Motley was confirmed as U.S. District Judge and became the first Afro woman on the federal bench.
- 1967 - Thurgood Marshall became the first U.S. Supreme Court Justice of Afro Descent.
- 1969 - Riots in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.
- 1983 - Lieutenant Colonel Guion S. Bluford Jr. became the first Afro American Astronaut in space.
- AUGUST 31:** 1800 - Revolt of enslaved persons in Virginia.
- 1836 - Henry Blair patented the Cotton Planter.
- 1979 - Donald McHenry succeeded Andrew Jackson Young, Jr. as UN Ambassador.
- 1989 - Demonstrations in Brooklyn, New York following the murder of a 16 year old African American.

SPECIAL PAN AFRICAN PROJECTS / SYMPOSIA / TOURS / EVENTS

REGIONAL & GLOBAL CURRENTLY SCHEDULED EVENTS THROUGH DECEMBER 2019:

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

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

<https://africa.si.edu/exhibitions/current-exhibitions/senses-of-timevideo-and-film-based-works-of-africa/>

"2015 – 2024 INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR PEOPLE OF AFRICAN DESCENT"

(Events Supported by the United Nations)

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

Check for Events:

<http://www.un.org/en/events/slaveryremembranceday/2019/events.shtml>

NOW UNTIL SEPTEMBER 1, 2019; (check website for exhibit times, special events + entry fees)

"SOUL OF A NATION: ART IN THE AGE OF BLACK POWER 1963-1983"

Featuring the work of more than 60 influential artists and including vibrant paintings, powerful sculptures, murals, street photography, and more, this landmark exhibition is a rare opportunity to see artworks that changed the face of art in the U.S. This exhibit shines a bright light on the vital contribution of Black artists beginning in 1963 at the height of the civil rights movement; and examines the influences on artists such as Romare Bearden, Barkley Hendricks, Noah Purifoy, Martin Puryear, Faith Ringgold, Betye Saar, Alma Thomas, Charles White, and William T. Williams. The exhibit also focuses on the significant role of Los Angeles in the art and history of the civil rights movement (and the subsequent activist era). Free admission is available: on Thursdays from 5-8 pm; for Family Weekend Workshops on May 4-5 and June 8-9; and for school visits for students in grades 6-12.

The Broad, 221 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90012

More info / Tickets: <https://www.thebroad.org/soul-of-a-nation>

NOW UNTIL OCTOBER 20, 2019

"UNTIL STRIKING IRON: THE ART OF AFRICAN BLACKSMITHS"

"Striking Iron: The Art of African Blacksmiths" reveals the history of invention and technical sophistication that led African blacksmiths to transform one of Earth's most basic natural resources into objects of life-changing utility, empowerment, prestige, spiritual potency, and astonishing artistry. The exhibition includes over 225 artworks from across the African continent focusing on the region south of the Sahara.

Smithsonian National Museum of African Art, 950 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington D.C. 20560

More info: 202-633-4600 OR <https://africa.si.edu/exhibitions/upcoming-exhibitions/>

AUGUST 1 – 4 (Thursday - Sunday), 2019: check website for events, fees and more details

"CARIBANA WEEKEND: TORONTO"

Toronto's Caribbean Caribana festival has grown exponentially since its start in 1967 and is currently North America's largest cultural festival. What was once a three-day event has now grown into three weeks of celebration before, during and after the weekend, and absorbs international visitors and locals with most of the city and its infectious Caribbean feel-good vibes. Events include: the Grand Parade, the Oasis Pool Parties, and other special events for families and singles. Celebrities are featured in many of the Caribana themed parties in clubs across Toronto.

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

AUGUST 2 – 4 (Friday - Sunday), 2019; No Admission Fees: check website for events, fees and more details

“UMOJA FEST 2019: AFRICATOWN HERITAGE FESTIVAL & PARADE”

Celebrating the best of the African American community and African Diaspora culture in the northwest. Attractions include the AfricanTown Heritage Parade featuring dance troops and drill teams, Children’s Day & Family Fun Village, Soul N The Park, Afrobeats & Roots Stage, Heal the Hood Basketball Tournament & Hip Hop 4 Peace stage and delicious flavors of the African diaspora from restaurants, food trucks, vendor marketplace and community resource fair and more! The venue: Judkins Park, Seattle Washington.

More info: 877-505-6306 OR <http://umojafestnw.com/>

AUGUST 16 – 18 (Friday - Sunday), 2019; check website for events, fees and more details

“6th ANNUAL MAAFA KEBUKA THE DOOR OF RETURN & THE REBIRTH OF AFRICAN CIVILIZATION”

This monumental annual event in Richmond, Virginia, takes place during a three day Maafa Commemoration and Afrikan Spiritual Healing Convocation entitled the MAAFA KEBUKA: Remembering the Great Destruction”. This will be the sixth gathering in Richmond, Virginia; responding to the Ancestors’ and their descendants’ continuing cries for justice, healing and liberation. The MAAFA KEBUKA is sponsored by the Abusua Pa Black Family Institute, a collective of Pan-African Cultural Nationalists in Richmond that have embarked on the journey to recognize and heal the 400 years of intergenerational pain and suffering that people of African descent have encountered from the Maafa and unrelenting system of white supremacy and domination in America.

More info/ Registration: <https://maafakebuka.wixsite.com/maafakebuka>

AUGUST 17 (Saturday), 2019, 1 – 12 midnight; check website for events, fees and more details

“GOOMBAY SUMMER FESTIVAL: BAHAMAS”

The Bahamas Ministry of Tourism’s annual summer festival features live displays of Bahamian culture in the form of food & music. Come and experience the local culture as you: listen to the sweet sounds of “Goombay”; indulge in local delicacies; browse through the most authentic Bahamian arts and crafts; dance to the beat of “Junkanoo”; and then relax on the beaches! Bring the entire family out for a fun-filled day and night!

More info / Bookings / Deals: 1-800-224-2627 OR 1-242-338-8668 OR

<https://www.bahamas.com/event/goombay-summer-festival>

AUGUST 23 – 25, 2019 (Friday – Sunday); check times and fees below

“25th ROBEY THEATRE ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND CELEBRATION”

\$50 Friday, 7pm (includes reception) / \$35 Saturday, 2pm + 7pm / \$35 Sunday, 3pm

Join the celebration and get an opportunity to see shorts of some Paul Robeson’s productions.

Robey Theatre, 514 South Spring Street, Los Angeles, California 90013

More info / Tickets: 213-489-7402 OR <https://robeytheatrecompany.org/>

AUGUST 23–SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 (10 days, Friday – Sunday); FREE Admission

“41ST ANNUAL CHICAGO JAZZ FESTIVAL”

The Chicago Jazz Festival showcases the greatest jazz artists from Chicago and around the world. The Festival is produced by the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events and the Jazz Institute of Chicago. Headling this year's Millennium Park performances are: Eddie Palmieri, Cécile McLorin Salvant, Art Ensemble of Chicago and more.

VENUE: Chicago Cultural Center, Millennium Park and Venues Across Chicago

201 E. Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois 60601

More info: https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/dca/supp_info/chicago_jazz_festival.html

SEPTEMBER 9 – 11, 2019

“BLACK COMMUNITIES: A CONFERENCE FOR COLLABORATION”

This is a multi-disciplinary conference to connect scholars and black communities around the world. It will feature panel discussions, local tours, film screenings, workshops, keynotes, and more. The event is hosted by the Kenan Institute of Private Enterprise and the Institute of African American Research.

Venue: Carolina Theater, 309 West Morgan Street, Durham, North Carolina 27701

Registration: <http://blackcommunities.unc.edu/2019/index.php/event-registration/>

Call for Proposals: <http://blackcommunities.unc.edu/2019/index.php/call-for-proposals/>

SEPTEMBER 27 – OCTOBER 3

“100 MOST INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE OF AFRICAN DESCENT: CLASS OF 2019 RECOGNITION WEEK”

In support of the International Decade for People of African Descent, the Most Influential People of African Descent (MIPAD) identifies high achievers of African descent in public and private sectors from all around the world as a progressive network of relevant actors to join together in the spirit of recognition, justice and development of Africa, it's people on the continent and across it's Diaspora. The event will be in New York City.

For congratulatory ads, sponsorship & speaking opportunity, please contact:

917-541-8394 (Tope Esan, New York), OR 678-818-6032 (Niclette Mundabi, Atlanta)

For media & PR inquiries, please contact:

917-244-8984, Eloïne Barry, African Media Agency (AMA)

More info / event location / registration: <https://www.mipad.org/#event>

OCTOBER 2 - 6, 2019

“ASALH: THE 104th ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND MEETING”

Check website for Association for the Study of African American Life & History / ASALH details and events

<https://asalh.org/events/the-104th-annual-conference-and-meeting/>

ONGOING PAN AFRICAN PROJECTS / SYMPOSIA / TOURS / EVENTS

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

NOTE: the listings below are part of the WO'SE “Pan African Affairs Newsletter” for August 2019

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY & CULTURE

Anytime is a good time and season to visit the Museums schedule of events including community gatherings and workshops; special exhibits; concerts and screenings; AND MUCH MORE! Check the website below.

National Museum of African American History & Culture, 1400 Constitution Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20560

More info / Events: 844-750-3012 OR <https://nmaahc.si.edu/>

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 OR www.SaveNubia.org

AFRICA FOR THE AFRICANS: TOURS AND INVESTMENTS

(Check website for details on future tours; videos of previous tours; and special events)

Consider the ultimate journey to the motherland and the Diaspora to experience a vibrant Africa with a mix of roots, culture, paradise, night life, shopping, networking, business and investment opportunities.

NOTE: Prices for these tours are “all-inclusive” and include: full accommodations and round trip flights from the U.S.; daily exercise and meditation sessions; daily breakfast & dinner; hotel accommodations; business & investment networking; and transportation & access to all tour sites & activities.

FOR MORE INFO AND TOURS:

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

BLACK FAMILY LIFE AND CULTURE, INC.

Black Family Life and Culture's vision is to utilize its rich thirty-five (35) year history of culturally based research and program development to provide the African American community the tools to reclaim ownership of their health and wellness by Reunifying the Families, Revitalizing the Community and Reestablishing the Culture.

"Mu Kala Kintwadi Ya Tubu I Mu Zinga" (To know one's origins, is to live forever) African Proverb

<http://blackfamily-life.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’s are MVP’s”); as well as customized workshops, training, consultation and coaching. Scholarships are available.

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

MALIDOMA PATRICE SOMÉ

Check the schedule of events for Malidoma Patrice Somé, Ph.D., who is a West African Elder, world-renowned author and teacher, who has international training programs and projects to share the ancient wisdom, technologies and practices which have supported his people for thousands of years.

More info / Register for events: 407-574-5350 OR <http://malidoma.com/main/calendar/>

MY AFRICA IS

This documentary series takes you on a journey across the African continent through the eyes of an insider. The four things that come to mind when people think of Africa are population, problems, poverty, and promise unfulfilled...but that’s not the whole story! Perspective changes everything. “My Africa Is” wants to show you something different. The crew says they are not about hiding real issues or over-hyping good news. They are more than aware of the challenges, but they also know that they are not helpless. The video series will follow change-makers in various cities across sub-Saharan Africa that are young, doing some really cool things, and starting a new conversation. Their stories are real; some subjects will inspire, others will provoke, but each one will challenge what you thought you knew and reintroduce you to OUR Africa.

More info / Video Updates: <http://www.myafrica.is/>

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>

SPECIAL TOURS & EVENTS FOR THE GHANA 2019 YEAR OF RETURN

NOTE: 2019 marks the 400th year since the MIDDLE PASSAGE. Ghana has opened arms for all African Americans and descendants in the Diaspora whose ancestors were victimized by the brutalities of slavery to return home during this year of memorial observance. Ghana's annual Chale Wote Festival is August 22 – 29.

SPECIAL ARTICLE IN THE UNITED NATION'S AFRICA ONLINE NEWS WEBSITE:

<https://www.un.org/africarenewal/magazine/december-2018-march-2019/2019-year-return-african-diaspora>

SPECIAL ISSUE OF EBONY MAGAZINE ONLINE WITH INFO FOR THE 2019 YEAR OF RETURN AND GHANA HISTORY.

<https://www.ebony.com/life/travel/ebony-travels-to-ghana-to-mark-400-years-since-the-middle-passage/>

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN GHANA: THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM, ARTS + CULTURE (MOTAC)

<http://motac.gov.gh/>

CONTACT THE EMBASSY OF GHANA IN WASHINGTON D.C. FOR:

LISTING OF GHANA EMBASSY EXTENSIONS IN SAN FRANCISCO + OTHER U.S. CITIES; ANSWERS TO ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT TRAVEL TO GHANA (SUCH AS PASSPORT AND VISA FEES, IMMUNIZATION FEES)

<https://www.ghanaembassydc.org/>

NOTE: this listing of tours is part of the WO'SE "Pan African Affairs Newsletter" for August 2019. Updates will be included in the September 2019 newsletter. Log on to the WO'SE Community website <http://www.wosecommunity.org/> and click on "Pan African Affairs Newsletter".

AUGUST 5 – 11 (Monday 10 am – Sunday 1 pm), 2019

NOTE: times are GMT(Greenwich Mean Time) that is 7 hours ahead of Pacific Time

"THE HACSA SUMMIT : 400 YEARS ON" / COST = \$800 - \$1,200

NOTE: The Heritage and Cultural Society of Africa: HACSA Heritage Tour of Accra is free on August 5th + 6th.

The Heritage and Cultural Society of Africa (HACSA) facilitates this flagship international summit to be held in Ghana. It will bring together Heads of State, opinion leaders, practitioners, academics and participants from Africa and the Diaspora to have open and meaningful debate on the 400 Year Legacy of the Trans-Atlantic Trade in Enslaved African People. It will also "Link, Reunite and Reconcile" affected Communities and share examples of innovation and creative strategies to overcome its debilitating and persisting effects. The Summit will include: Keynote Speakers, Panel Discussions, Academic Presentations, Exhibitions, a Film Screening, a Remembrance and Candlelight Vigil, a Gala Dinner Dance showcasing African Food, Fashion and Music, and Guided Tours of key Heritage Sites in Ghana. HACSA is a non-profit NGO with a mission to highlight the importance of heritage and culture for sustainable socio- economic development and wealth creation in Africa.

General Admission Tickets Include: Tour of Accra / 3 Day Full Conference Access (including lunch and tea breaks) / Welcome Reception / Film Screening / Gala dinner (with musical performances and fashion show) / Archaeological Exhibition / Made in Africa Fair & Business Expo.

Event location: Kempinski Hotel Gold Coast City Accra, Gamel Abdul Nasser Avenue, Accra, Ghana

More info / Register: <https://thehacsa.org/> OR

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-hacsa-summit-400-years-on-tickets-57091806129?aff=erellivmlt>

Free tour: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-heritage-and-cultural-society-of-africa-hacsa-heritage-tour-of-accra-tickets-66602049523>

AUGUST 5 – 14, 2019 (10 days / 9 nights)

“HISTORIC TOUR OF THE AFRICAN DIASPORA”

COST = \$ 4595 + (check website for what is and what is not included in the cost)

This tour by Palace Travel will be in Ghana: the land of Kwame Nkrumah-the father of Ghana’s independence and a co-founder of the Organization of African Unity; and the country where the great Pan-Africanist Dr. W.E.B. DuBois spent his final years. Ghana is the land where Ashanti Kings still hold court and mediate disputes in time-honored traditions passed down through generations; and the land that has preserved many historical components of the transatlantic slave trade. Ghana was the first sub-Saharan African country to take its independence from Europeans, and is today a thriving democracy with its traditions, customs and culture almost undiluted. Tour participants / Returnees will be welcomed by the government and people of Ghana, and will be taken to RETURN through the infamous “DOOR OF NO RETURN” at the Cape Coast Slave Dungeon.

**More info / Tour Registration: 1-800-683-7731 OR info@palacetravel.com
<https://www.palacetravel.com/african-tours/return-african-diaspora-ghana/>**

AUGUST 15 – 24, 2019 (10 days / 9 nights)

“2019 JUNETEENTH FAMILY REUNION IN GHANA”

COST = \$4495 + tax (check website for what is and what is not included in the cost)

To exhibit the power of the Creator, our ancestors and the Black community, the African Genesis Institute is making a triumphant return to Africa-our ancestral homeland– by leading a delegation of 100 people, to Ghana, West Africa. The tour itinerary will visit Accra and Cape Coast and the tour includes: Round trip airfare from U.S. to Ghana; Ground transportation in air conditioned buses; Hotel (double occupancy - Single supplement available for \$950.00); Breakfast daily; Marcus Garvey Birthday Celebration Dinner; Farewell dinner; Royal Homecoming Parade and Festival; City Tour of Accra; African Marketplace; Tour of site where 2020 Group is building homes; Naming Ceremony; Pre-dawn libation pouring ceremony on the banks of the Atlantic Ocean; Placing of permanent plaques at the “Door of no Return” at Elmina and Cape Coast Slave Dungeons recognizing our return and the fulfillment of prophecy; Workshops on Dual citizenship, Retirement and vacation housing, Real estate development, Business and employment opportunities.

**More info / Registration: 215-247-5121 (African Genesis Institute) OR
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-juneteenth-family-reunion-in-ghana-tickets-48890579038>**

AUGUST 15 – 25, 2019 (11 days / 10 nights)

“YEAR OF RETURN TO GHANA 2019: AKWAABA!!”

COST = \$1,750 (check website for what is and what is not included in the cost)

This tour is organized by The Wysteria Group/INEZ INTERNATIONAL.LV., and Inez International.LV is the certified travel agency that will book your travel. The Wysteria Group is a budding organization located in Wilmington, North Carolina. Check website below for: day by day itinerary for the 10 day tour, payment and other details.

**More info / Registration:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/year-of-return-to-ghana-2019-akwaaba-tickets-51744027780>**

AUGUST 20 – 26, 2019 (7 days / 6 nights, Extension Available);

“GHANA: YEAR OF THE RETURN”

COST = \$2549 + (check website for what is and what is not included in the cost)

You are invited to Experience Ghana during the Year Of The Return on this tour that is facilitated by: Traveling Black (a travel company with tours to learn about different Afro/Black cultures around the world); and I Love Being Black (a positive cultural movement that aims to uplift Black people worldwide). This tour will take you through 3 major cities in Ghana where you will visit the slavery dungeons, make kente cloth with the Ashanti and party at the Chale Wote festival. Check the website below for requirements for travel (passport + medical requirements for travelers); vegan options and more. After you submit your deposit you will be contacted within 48 hours to answer any remaining questions and you will be assisted in booking your flights to Ghana.

More info / Registration: <https://traveling.black/tours/ghana-year-of-return/>

OR <https://www.facebook.com/lovebeingblack>

AUGUST 20 – 22, 2019 (10 days / 9 nights) OR

AUGUST 20 – 31, 2019 (12 days / 11 nights and includes Kumasi)

“GHANA: KNOW YOUR ROOTS”

COST = \$3,500 OR \$4,000 with Kumasi (check website for what is and what is not included in the cost)

2019 is the Year of the Return! In commemoration of 400 years since the first ship carrying Africans landed in Virginia. The country of Ghana is opening its doors for you to return home, while offering an opportunity to recognize the past and celebrate the future. On this cultural and historical tour, you will see the former slave castle at Cape Coast, and receive your African name in a ceremony at the Door of No Return. You will also: shop at the Makola Market; bathe in the highest waterfall in West Africa; create authentic fabric in your Adinkra cloth stamping class; and take a breathtaking walk across the rain forest Kakum Canopy. Halfway through your trip, you will experience the Chale Wote Arts festival and close with a few relaxing trips to Accra's beaches. It's time to go back to Africa, it's time to go home. Check website below for: day by day itinerary for the tour, payment and other details. Call for assistance with international flights or to schedule the add-on to Benin & Togo.

More info / Register: 1-347-746-8172 **OR** <https://www.awaytoafrika.com/chale-wote-festival-ghana/>

Add-on Available for 4 Days in Benin & Togo (check: <https://www.awaytoafrika.com/benin-togo/>)

DECEMBER 18, 2019 – JANUARY 2, 2020 (10 days / 9 nights)

“2019 THE YEAR OF RETURN: RETURN TO OUR ROYAL ROOTS”

COST \$3,550 (price reductions for groups)

The Royal Diaspora Group, LLC is hosting this second epic trip to Ghana in celebration of returning to our royal roots. The tour departs from Houston, Texas and arrives next day in Ghana. The Ghana itinerary includes tours to: Elmina Castle and Cape Coast Dungeons; Kakum National Rain forest; Kumasi; Aburi Mountains; Labadi Beach; Makola Market; and some Accra Night Life. Tour Price Includes: Round Trip Flight Ticket with 2 checked bags and a carry on; Lodging; Transportation; and Entrance fee for scheduled tourist stops. Check the website for what is or is not included in the tour price OR anything not specified in the itinerary.

More info / Registration: 281-975-2624 / 832-799-2293 (Royal Diaspora Group LLC) **OR**

<http://royaldiaspora.com/diaspora.php?section=booking> **OR**

<https://www.facebook.com/RoyalDiasporaGroupLLC/photos/a.317616685764431/396890894503676/?type=3&theater>

DECEMBER 26, 2019 – JANUARY 4, 2020 (10 days / 9 nights)

GHANA “YEAR OF RETURN”

COST = \$1,824 + (estimated flight cost: \$1,800.00) + (estimated trip insurance: \$150.00 based on age)

Check link below to see the tour brochure with complete details and website

You are invited to join this special Ghana “Year of Return” tour with Bay Area’s Cardum & Adeshima (Dr. Marcus Penn), co-facilitators of “R-Evolution: Dialogues in the Diaspora”. The tour will visit Accra, Kumasi, and Elmina/Cape Coast. Check the link below for further details regarding the tour itinerary, what to pack, payment schedule and more.

NOTE: monthly meetings will be held each 3rd Saturday from 12 – 2 pm to discuss the tour and our community.

Meeting Venue: Prescott Joseph Center For Community, 920 Peralta Street, Oakland 94607

More info / Register: 510-214-3206 OR

https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/7078ba_51f9a64cf67d4b75bf90014314bc7d43.pdf

LINKS FOR LOCAL & INTERNATIONAL INFORMATION / RESOURCES / EVENTS

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BAY AREA

New Listings: #16 (Black Cultural Zone) + #18 (Black Public Media)

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.
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.
<http://postnewsgroup.com/> OR <http://www.merritt.edu/wp/afam/> OR 510-434-3935 OR 510-531-4911 OR 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. **BAOBOB:** Bay Area Organization of Black Owned Businesses: supports Black owned businesses and their customers, who agree that keeping our dollars circulating within our community is tantamount to Black empowerment in the Bay Area and beyond.
<http://baobobdirectory.com/>
13. **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/>
14. **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/>
15. **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>
16. **BLACK CULTURAL ZONE (BCZ):** The Black Cultural Zone Collaborative works with a coalition of residents, government agencies, churches, and grassroots organizing groups to help keep Black folks in East Oakland.
<http://www.blackculturalzone.org/>
17. **BLACK ORGANIZING PROJECT (BOP):** working for racial, social and economic justice through grassroots community organizing and policy-change.
<http://blackorganizingproject.org/>
18. **BLACK PUBLIC MEDIA (BPM):** committed to a fully realized expression of democracy, supporting diverse voices by developing, producing and distributing innovative media about the Black/Afro experience and by investing in visionary content makers.
<https://blackpublicmedia.org/>
19. **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/>

20. **DELLUMS INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE:** to apply and adapt strategies used in past social justice movements to today's greatest challenges to global peace and justice.
<https://dellumsinstitute.org/>
21. **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/>
22. **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/>
23. **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/>
24. **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/>
25. **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/>
26. **HAITI ACTION COMMITTEE---BAY AREA:** check details and info for local and global initiatives and events.
<http://www.haitisolidarity.net/index>
27. **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/>
28. **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/>
29. **JAMAICAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (JAANC):** check details and info for local and global initiatives and events.
<http://www.jaanc.org/>
30. **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/>
31. **OAKLAND PUBLIC CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC (OPC):** community music classes with Afro energy for all ages.
<https://www.opcmusic.org/>

32. **ORISHA LIFESTYLE ACADEMY:** organization to develop and renew the community through special projects.
<http://www.orisalifestyle.com/>
33. **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>
34. **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/>
35. **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>
36. **PERALTA HACIENDA HISTORICAL PARK:** check the Oral History Project (“I Hear, I Keep: Stories From Oakland’s Griots”). Wednesdays – Sundays, 2465 34th Avenue, Oakland, 510-532-9142
www.peraltahacienda.org
37. **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>
38. **QILOMBO:** a radical / forward movement community social center / organization.
<http://qilombo.org/>
39. **RADIO 97.5 FM/KDEE:** A Community Radio Station, owned and operated by the California Black Chamber of Commerce Foundation. Includes news and updates, business directory, community events and more.
<https://www.kdeefm.org/>
40. **RED BAY COFFEE:** Check the website to purchase coffee and gifts in Oakland or San Francisco, at some Farmer’s Markets or online. Fosters single origin, fair trade, direct trade, organic and sustainable coffees.
www.redbaycoffee.com
41. **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
42. **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/>
43. **WANDA’S PICKS:** check Bay Area events, radio show, blog, etc.
<http://wandaspicks.com/current-picks/>
44. **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

45. ALL AFRICA: online news for all of Africa.

<http://allafrica.com/>

46. ALL-AFRICAN PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY PARTY (AAPRP): a permanent, independent, revolutionary, socialist, Pan-African Political Party based in Africa.

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

47. AFRICA GREAT LAKES NETWORKING FOUNDATION (AGL): a Canadian Non-profit Organization that provides support, services and referrals, working with other agencies to smoothly integrate the Newcomers and Refugees mainly from the African Great Lakes Region and other parts of the world to Canadian Society.

<http://africagreatlakesnetworkingfoundation.org/>

48. 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/>

49. 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

50. 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/>

51. 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/>

52. AFRICAN NEWSPAPERS ONLINE

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

53. AFRICAN NEWSPAPERS ON THE INTERNET: provided by Stanford University.

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

54. AFRICAN / PAN AFRICAN NEWSPAPERS AND NEWS SITES

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

55. 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>

56. AFRICAN VIEWS / E NEWS SELECTION

<https://www.africanviews.org/news>

57. **AFRICAN WOMEN'S DEVELOPMENT FUND - USA:** a coalition of African women and their U.S. allies for various projects.
www.awdf.org/awdf-usa OR www.awdf.org (sister organization)
58. **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/>
59. **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/>
60. **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.
<http://www.africansdeservereparations.com/index.html>
61. **AFRICOLOGY: THE JOURNAL OF PAN AFRICAN STUDIES:** a trans-disciplinary and scholarly journal devoted to intellectual synthesis of research, scholarship and critical thought on the African experience around the world.
<http://www.jpanafrican.org/>
62. **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 culture, one Nation and one destiny.
<http://www.aaprp-intl.org/>
63. **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/>
64. **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/>
65. **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/>
66. **BLACK AGENDA REPORT:** e-newsletter, business news/networks/incentives, etc.
<http://www.blackagendareport.com/>
67. **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/>

68. **BLACK BUSINESS NETWORK:** products sold from Black-owned businesses to Black consumers.
<http://www.blackbusinessnetwork.com/Home/>
69. **BLACK DOCTOR:** healthy living and tips for African Americans.
<http://blackdoctor.org/search/index.aspx>
70. **BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN THE UK:** magazine and official guide to events.
<http://officialblackhistorymonthuk.co.uk/>
71. **BLACK IN LA (LOS ANGELES):** news and listings of events in and around and originating from Los Angeles.
<http://www.blacknla.com/wp2/>
72. **BLACK MONEY:** provides the African-American market the same critical business information which drives major economies.
<http://www.blackmoney.com/>
73. **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/>
74. **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/>
75. **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/>
76. **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/>
77. **CARIBBEAN AMERICAN HERITAGE FOUNDATION TEXAS (CAHFT):**
<http://caribbeanheritagetx.org/>
<https://www.youtube.com/user/TheCAHFT> (YouTube TV channel)
78. **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>
79. **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
80. **DR. CHIKE AKUA:** Professor, historian and award winning educator. Book Dr. Chike Akua to speak at your school, college, university or conference! Email info@DrAkua.net or call (770)309-6664
www.DrAkua.net

81. 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/>
82. CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT VETERANS: includes important links and timeline of civil rights events from 1951 – 1968.
<http://www.crmvet.org/>
83. 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/>
84. COLORED CONVENTIONS: info for conventions of African Descendents from 1830, organized by educators. Includes links, videos and other important info.
<http://coloredconventions.org/conventions>
85. FEDERATION OF SOUTHERN COOPERATIVES / LAND ASSISTANCE FUNDS: an organization committed to save Black-Owned Land Since 1967 With Cooperatives.
<http://www.federationsoutherncoop.com/>
86. FAWOHODIE SUA: Online Pan African educational co-op classes for youth.
<http://www.fawohodieonlineclasses.com/home>
87. INSTITUTE OF THE BLACK WORD 21ST 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>
88. 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/>
89. 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/>
90. 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/>
91. MALCOLM X GRASS ROOTS MOVEMENT: information about today’s community issues.
<http://mxgm.org/>
92. MAAT INSTITUTE FOR HOLISTIC EDUCATION: organized study tours and curriculum to learn Kemet and ancient wisdom.
<http://www.centerformaat.com/maatinstitute-aboutus.html>
93. MIPAD (Most Influential People of African descent). The organization identifies high achievers of African descent in public and private sectors from all around the world and gives annual awards. Videos of events.
<https://www.mipad.org/>

94. **MY CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY:** regional social club, events, videos, TV, photos and more.
<http://mycaribbean.us/>
95. **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/>
96. **NATIONAL BLACK WOMEN'S JUSTICE INSTITUTE (NBWJI):** works to reduce racial and gender disparities affecting Black women, girls, and their families, by conducting research, providing technical assistance, engaging in public education, promoting civic engagement, and advocating for informed and effective policies.
<https://www.nbwji.org/>
97. **NCOBRA / National Coalition of Blacks for Reparations in America:** for African descendants in the U.S.
<http://www.ncobraonline.org/>
98. **PAMBAZUKA NEWS:** Pan African Voices for Freedom and Justice.
<http://www.pambazuka.org/en/>
99. **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/>
100. **PROJECT SAFE:** works to improve the services offered to criminalize black women who are survivors of intimate partner violence and sexual assault.
<https://www.courtinnovation.org/project-safe>
101. **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>
102. **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>
103. **REGGAE WELLNESS:** Connecting Natural Health Care Seekers with Natural Health Care Givers. Based in Jamaica.
<https://reggaewellness.com/>
104. **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 bringing about litigation, legislation, genealogy and DNA research.
<http://www.rsgincorp.com/index.html>
105. **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/>

106. UWITV: the online news from all campuses of the University of the West Indies and the Caribbean region.
<https://www.uwitv.org/>
102. WORLD AFRICAN DIASPORA UNION (WADU): Pan African events, history and information from renowned global Pan African Leaders.
<http://www.wadupam.org/>
103. 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/>
104. 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>

SPECIAL FREE VIDEOS / FILMS & RADIO / TV SHOWS TO WATCH ONLINE

NOTE: the listings below are part of the WO'SE "Pan African Affairs Newsletter" for August 2019

1. "KOJO": a short documentary on gifted 12-year-old jazz drummer Kojo Odu Roney. The film and the film maker have received numerous awards. The film was funded by the National Black Programming Consortium and screened in the 2017 PBS Online Film Festival.
<http://www.pbs.org/filmfestival/2017-festival/kojo/>
2. REPARATIONS NOW, 27TH AUGUST, 2018
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4pMxDArg3RA&feature=youtu.be>
A discussion on Reparations involving: Eddy Grant, International Musician and Businessman; Commodore Gary Best; Eric Phillips and Johnatan Adams, of the Guyana Reparations Committee.
3. The Ringshout & the Birth of African-American Religion (watch on YouTube)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KmmTMg3e5Uo>
4. "The Black Panther Party in San Francisco: Impact, Legacy, and Continued Inspiration"
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aS9ip138MBo>
5. McIntosh County Shouters: Gullah-Geechee Ring Shout from Georgia (performance)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uxPU5517u8c>
6. Roots 2016 Series Previously Shown on the History Channel
<http://roots.history.com/episodes>
7. Film: "Untold Legacy" by Dr. Leslie Brown (watch online or download)
<http://mandamushow.top/downloads/download-free-untold-legacy-2006-leslie-k-brown.html>
8. "Afropop Caribbean Films" (watch now until further notice!)
<http://blackpublicmedia.org/afropop-caribbean-shorts/>
9. "Afropop Season 9": new films to watch and appreciate (You may also link to films for Seasons 1 – 8)
<http://blackpublicmedia.org/afropop/#season9>
10. Our Story Docuseries E2 || Youth Voices (EPISODE #2) from the Oakland Organizing Project
1035 W Grand Ave Oakland, CA 94607 (510) 891-1219 / info@blackorganizingproject.org
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U1wg-KlrMOs>
<http://blackorganizingproject.org/>
11. The 2018 Nelson Mandela Annual Lecture, in partnership with the Motsepe Foundation. A special celebration and events for Mandela's 100th birthday. Includes speech by former U.S. President Barack Obama.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mviqiDKIqDc>
Additional lectures (2003 +): <https://www.nelsonmandela.org/content/page/annual-lecture>
12. Wanda's Picks Radio Show
<http://www.blogtalkradio.com/wandas-picks/2019/01/16/wandas-picks-radio-show>
13. INTERNATIONAL MEDIA TV with Johnnie Burrell, an independent internet television producer in San Francisco, California.
<https://internationalmediatv.com/video/broadcasts10.html>

BOOK SALES FOR AFRICAN / AFRODESCENDENT HISTORY & HERITAGE

A SHORT LIST OF SITES FOR ELECTRONIC AND PRINT AFRO-CENTRIC BOOKS

WITH REVIEWS AND PURCHASE INFO

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1. **AFRICA'S 100 BEST BOOKS OF THE 20TH 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
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/>