All events are free and open to the public.

SANKOFA

CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2021

Visually and symbolically, Sankofa is expressed as a mythic bird that flies forward while looking backward with an egg (symbolizing the future) in its mouth. This ties with our motto, an Akan proverb: “In order to understand our present and ensure our future, we must know our past.”

Except where indicated, all of the following events will be available when they go live at https://bit.ly/QCBHM21.

Monday, February 1
2 pm
Opening Day Welcome
Queen College President Frank H. Wu
The Launching of the Student Sit-in Movement: The Role of Black Women at Bennett College
Deidre Flowers, Inter Director, Africana Studies
Moderator: Zaire Couloute, Student Association President

Wednesday, February 3
3–4 pm
Revisiting the Haitian Revolution in the Era of Black Lives Matter in the US
Francois Pierre-Louis

Friday, February 5
10–11 am
Grassroots Youth Activism as a Bridge to Elected Office
Assembyman Khaleel Anderson (D) on Youth Activism

Monday, February 8
12:15–1:30 pm
The Connect: Supporting Black Students with Resources for Survival and Beyond
Aysa Gray and Valerie Hannibal

Tuesday, February 9
1 pm
The Real Ambassadors in Concert: Celebrating the 60th Anniversary of this Classic Album at the Homes of Louis Armstrong and Dave Brubeck
Open to the public and presented on the Louis Armstrong House Museum
Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/ louisarmstronghousemuseum

5 pm
Know Your Caribbean Blackness and Globalization. Resistance and Rebellion, the importance of Decolonizing our History
Fiona Compton

Wednesday, Feb 10
12:15–1:30 pm
Lecture: Black Latinidad: From Arthur Schomburg to Cardi B.
Zoom link: http://bit.ly/3RgwSZR.
Lorgia Garcia Peña, Associate Professor of Romance Languages and Literatures and of History and Literature (Harvard U).
Information: english@qc.cuny.edu

5–6 pm
Black Women in Tech
Suzette Yasmin Robotham & Guest

Thursday, February 11
4–6 pm
Mental Health and The Black Community
David Rivera & Ruth Jean-Marie (Dept. of Mental Health & Hygiene)

6:30 pm
NABA Past and Present: A Roundtable Discussion
Moderator: Andre Benjamin
The Zoom link will be provided once those interested register at https://tinyurl.com/y6jp7svg

Tuesday, February 16
6 pm
Book Talk: Class, Race, Culture and Resistance in 1960s Jamaica
Andrene Bonner
The audience can access the specially discounted eBooks ahead of time or during the event at https://www.literacygatewayinstitute.com/bookstore.html and amazon.com/dp/B08KGK92LF. Discussion questions can be sent in advance to igforsuccess@gmail.com.

Wednesday, February 17
12:15 pm
Abolitionist Teaching Network
Bettina Love
Webinar Registration Link http://bit.ly/3rchfju

Thursday, February 18
12 pm
Spoken Word
(Prizes included)

4 pm
Hip Hop Performance and Workshop
Mikal Amin Lee

Friday, February 19
2 pm
Jazz in the Black Community
Antonio Hart and Dorothaann Kirk

Saturday, February 20
3 pm
A Musical Journey Through Queens: The Music of Haiti, featuring Pauline Jean with Richard Duroseau and Mario De Voicy

Tuesday, February 23
5–6 pm
Where Do We Go From Here? Mental Health for CUNY BIPOC’s in Times of Crisis
Maureen Pierce-Anyan

Wednesday, February 24
12:15–1:30 pm
What’s Good, UBUNTU?!!

Thursday, February 25
11:30 am
Literature to Life’s “Black Boy” by Richard Wright

3–4 pm
Sociodramas: Popular Theater for Social Justice
Sandy Placido

5–6 pm
SEEK History of Activism and Dissent in Diversifying CUNY: What’s Next for Special Programs?

Friday, February 26
12 pm
Celebration of LGBTQIA in Black Communities
Oscar Robles

6–7 pm
NYC Men Teach: A Hip Hop Cypher Featuring Nikki Giovanni
Moderator: Nathaniel Smith

For more information, visit www.qc.cuny.edu/BHM