

Contests

African American Entrepreneurs Art Contest and Reception

African American Entrepreneurs is the theme of the contest. Students in grades 7-12 are encouraged to create an art work highlighting that theme using any medium. First place prize is a \$100 gift certificate from National Art and Hobby store. Second place prize is a \$50 gift certificate and third place prize is a \$25 gift certificate. Students can pick up entry forms at school or by calling the African American Resource Center at 596-2597. Deadline for entries is Monday, February 10, 2003.

Art Reception

Saturday, February 15, 2 p.m.

Main Library, 2nd Floor

Paul Robeson Acting Competition and Program

Aspiring actors ages 13-18 showcase their talent through the **Paul Robeson Acting Competition**. Students create and perform a 5-minute monologue about a famous African American before a public audience. The presentations are judged by local actors. Students can pick up entry forms at school. Deadline for entries is Saturday, March 1, 2003.

Saturday, March 8, 1 p.m.

Main Library Auditorium

Library Locations

Algiers Regional 3014 Holiday Dr. 596-2642	Keller 4300 S. Broad 596-2675
Alvar 913 Alvar St. 596-2624	King 1611 Caffin Ave. 596-2695
Children's Resource Center 913 Napoleon Ave. 596-2628	Latter 5120 St. Charles Ave. 596-2625
East N.O. Regional 5641 Read Blvd. 596-2646	Nix 1401 S. Carrollton Ave. 596-2630
Gentilly 2098 Foy St. 596-2644	Nora Navra 1902 St. Bernard Ave. 596-2623
Hubbell (Algiers Point) 725 Pelican Ave. 596-2642	Smith Regional 6301 Canal Blvd. 596-2638

"The economic highway to power has few entry lanes for Negroes."

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
Where Do We Go From Here, 1967

In this age of super highways, quick service, and increased communication, it would seem that there would be any number of ways to find economic success. As we turn the pages of magazines and news articles, we still see African Americans who are the first to hold rank or obtain economic success in a

African American Dream builders: Achieving economic success

particular area or institution. Their stories differ, yet they have a commonality that is shared by any dream builder, a way to beat the odds, to carry out a plan, to fulfill a dream.

This year, the Black History Committee of the New Orleans Public Library promotes the aspirations of local dream seekers attempting to grow in a community whose soil is not enriched by opportunity

Celebrating Black History Month 2003

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and economic success. This journey includes programs for children that will encourage them to take advantage of early savings and business plans.

We anticipate that these programs will offer information that can build an entry lane for African Americans to travel along the economic highway.

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How Your Career Can Survive an Economic Downturn

Dr. Frank Martin of Southern University, **Scott Aiges**, director of Music Business Development for the City of New Orleans and **Shanney Scott** of the New Orleans Concierge Association will offer ways to keep careers on track during national disasters such as the September 11th tragedy.

Saturday, February 1, 2003, 1 p.m.
Gentilly Library

Doing It myself workshops

Members of the Big Easy Network (BEN) of Small Publishers, Artists, Writers and Entrepreneurs share methods and techniques on how to turn a story idea into a published product. Led by local business woman, **Contesse' Wall**, this two-part workshop begins with developing an idea and copyrighting the material and culminating with securing intellectual property.

Turning An Idea into A Tangible Product

Wednesday, February 5, 6:30 p.m.
Latter Library

Intellectual Property

Saturday, February 8, 2 p.m.
Hubbell (Algiers Point) Library

Algiers: The Untold Story

Local marketing professional and journalist, **Allyson Ward**, discusses the lives of African Americans who lived in the Algiers community of New Orleans from 1929-1955. Learn how African Americans in that area relied on social values, culture and faith to survive the Great Depression, World War II and the climatic years of the civil rights movement. Ward is the author of *Algiers: The Untold Story*.

Wednesday, February 12, 6:30 p.m.
Algiers Regional Library

Let's Get Started

Learn how to start an investment club with your family or friends. Members of the Louisiana and Mississippi Chapter of the National Association of Investment Clubs share practical information on how to start an investment club, study investment materials, and utilize investment instruments.

Wednesday, February 19, 6:30 p.m.
East New Orleans Regional Library

Beginning Your Family Search

Antoinette Harrell-Miller will facilitate this year's genealogy workshop designed to assist researchers looking for African American ancestors. Genealogist Harrell-Miller is author of *You Are My Shadow: The Harrell Family History Identity*, a book that explores her paternal family and genealogy. Join us for a how-to approach to beginning your family search.

Saturday, February 8, 10 am - noon
Main Library, Auditorium

Collecting African American History

Learn how to determine the value of your African American collectibles and ephemera. This how-to program facilitated by noted author and dealer **Dr. Elvin Montgomery** connects key periods in African American history to products and documents stemming from those periods. Montgomery is author of *Collecting African American History: A Celebration of African American Heritage through Documents, Artifacts and Collectibles*. Books will be available for purchase at the program. This program is strictly informational and appraising will not take place.

Thursday, February 27, 6:30 p.m.
East New Orleans Regional Library

More Than A Piggy Bank

This program uses games and activities to teach children earning skills, good management skills and saving tips. Presented by representatives of area banks. Designed for children 12 and under.

Sat., Feb. 1, 1 p.m. Tues., Feb. 11, 10:30 a.m.
Main Library Keller Library

Tues., Feb. 4, 10:30 a.m. Wed., Feb. 12, 10:30 a.m.
Alvar Library Children's Resource Center

Wed., Feb. 5, 10:30 a.m. Sat., Feb. 15, 2 p.m.
Nora Navra Library East N.O. Reg. Library

Sat., Feb. 8, 2 p.m. Wed., Feb. 19, 10:30 am
Algiers Regional Nix Library

Sat., Feb. 22, 11 am
Martin Luther King Library