



BLACKS UNITED IN LEADERSHIP & DIVERSITY PRESENTS





2:00pm, Friday, February 17, 2023 Evergreen State College, Tacoma Campus



1:45PM Prelude – African Drum Music Music played by Tony Rice

2:00PM Greetings / Opening Remarks / Venue and Land Acknowledgment Undra Simpson and Sandra Daniels-BUILD History & Activities Sub-committee Co-Leads

2:10PM Introduction of Co-MC Undra Simpson

2:15PM Introduction of Guest Vocalist/Co-MC MC: Kiara Daniels

2:20PM Singing of "Lift Every Voice and Sing" (Black National Anthem)
Vocalist / Co-MC: L. Denice Randle

Note: Words printed on the back of the programs

2:25PM Introduction of Spoken Word Artist
MC: Kiara Daniels

Black History Month

2:30Pm Spoken Word D'Mario Carter

2:40PM Video Presentation, "Black Resistance Through Dance" DeShawn Morton - Tacoma Urban Performing Arts Center (T.U.P.A.C.)

2:50PM Historical Presentation "Rap on MLK Jr and his Legacy" Terrence McCall

3:OOPM INTERMISSION Light Refreshments Available Until End of Program

3:10PM Introduction of Spoken Word Artist MC: L. Denice Randle

3:15PM Spoken Word Christian Paige

3:25PM Introduction of Keynote Speaker MC: Kiara Daniels

Celebrating Black Resistance

3:30Pm Keynote Speaker Dr. Dexter Gordon

3:50PM Announcements Co-MC's: Kiara Daniels and L. Denice Randle

> Daisha Gomillion - BUILD Communications Sub-Committee Co-Lead

3:55PM Closing Remarks
Tyrone Jordan-Oliver, BUILD Chair

Sherina James, BUILD Interim

4:00PM Musical Performance Maureese Itson – Saxophonist

4:30PM DJ Music Music played by Tony Rice

5:00PM End of Program



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HISTORY MONTH
CELEBRATING BLACK RESISTANCE

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The Black National Anthem: "Lift Every Voice and Sing"

By James Weldon Johnson (June 17, 1871 - June 26, 1938)

Originally written by Johnson for a presentation in celebration of the birthday of Abraham Lincoln. This was originally performed in Jacksonville, Florida, by children.

Black National Anthem

Lift every voice and sing
Till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the listening skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us,
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chastening rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears have been watered,
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,

Out from the gloomy past, Till now we stand at last Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who has by Thy might
Led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, Our God, where we met Thee;
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;
Shadowed beneath Thy hand,
May we forever stand.
True to our GOD,
True to our native land