



#### 2024 Windsor-Essex Black History Month Activity Schedule

Essex County is rich in Black history. Canadians of African descent have played important roles in the cultural, political, social, and economic progress of our communities. Our region has been populated by people of African descent from the 18<sup>th</sup> century, when free Black Loyalists as well as enslaved Africans were among the area's early residents; to the 19<sup>th</sup> century when formerly enslaved African Americans and free people of colour streamed into this area by the thousands, fleeing either bondage or oppression; to the modern era when immigrants from the continent of Africa and the Caribbean made this region their new home.

Here are some of the Black History Month events happening around our region... a combination of inperson and virtual activities this year.

#### Joint Windsor-Essex Black History Month Kick-Off

**Description:** The annual Joint Windsor-Essex Black History Month Kick-Off will be featuring Black history highlights, poetry, and music, with a focus on stories of Black activism, this free event is hosted by the Essex County Black Historical Research Society, the Windsor West Indian Association, and the Amherstburg Freedom Museum. We will publicly recognize the importance of Black History Month as well as encourage the community to participate in the array of Black History Month events hosted locally this year. Thanks to the sponsors and patrons who enable this to be a free event, including the University of Windsor Office of Human Rights, Equity, and Accessibility, Arbor Memorial (Janisse and Morris Sutton Funeral Homes,) Black Women of Forward Action, and Women's Enterprise Skills Training. For information, contact ecbhrs@gmail.com.

Date: Friday, January 26th, 2024

Time: 7pm

Location: Caribbean Centre, 2410 Central Avenue, Windsor

#### Across the River to Freedom - Launch

**Description:** On Monday, January 29th at 7:00 p.m. Essex County Black Historical Research Society and Leddy Library – University of Windsor will launch Across the River to Freedom, a project that features three short documentaries, a website, curriculum resources, and a Sandwich Black history walking tour. Happening at Mackenzie Hall, 3277 Sandwich St. W., Windsor. All are welcome! Please rsvp to ecbhrs@gmail.com by January 26th.

Date: Monday, January 29th, 2024

Time: 7pm

Location: Mackenzie Hall, 3277 Sandwich St. W., Windsor

#### Black History Month Event: "'But it is not a British feeling':

**Description:** Department of History, University of Windsor and Essex County Black Historical Research Society are hosting a presentation by Dr. Deirdre McCorkindale from University of Guelph on February 1st at 7pm. Dr. McCorkindale's presentation titled "'But it is not a British feeling': The Denial and Weaponization of Ontario's Underground Railroad" will happen at the Armories (353 Freedom Way in Windsor). For more information, please contact history@uwindsor.ca

When: February 1st, 2024

Time: 7pm

Location: Armories, 353 Freedom Way in Windsor

#### **Black History Month Flag-Raising**

Description: Join students, faculty, staff, and administrators at the University of Windsor Main Campus

for a flag raising in honour of Black History/Black Futures Month 2024.

Date: Wednesday, February 1st, 2024

**Time:** 12:00pm

Location: Outside Chrysler Hall Tower, University of Windsor, 401 Sunset Avenue

# Book Launch: Amherstburg Book Launch for Black Activist, Black Scientist, Black Icon: The Autobiography of Dr. Howard D. McCurdy with Dr. George Elliott Clarke and Dr. Brenda McCurdy, with Moderator Sheila Barker

Description: In partnership with the River Bookshop, we are thrilled to present Black Activist, Black Scientist, Black Icon: The Autobiography of Dr. Howard D. McCurdy. Get ready to dive into the remarkable life story of Dr. Howard D. McCurdy, a true trailblazer. During this event, you will have the opportunity to meet the author Dr. George Elliott Clarke, purchase the book, get your copy signed, and engage in a discussion of the book with Dr. Brenda McCurdy and Dr. George Elliott Clarke, which will be moderated by Sheila Barker. This is a FREE event, more information can be found here www.amherstburgfreedom.org

Date: Thursday February 1st, 2024

**Time:** 5:30pm

**Location:** Amherstburg Freedom Museum, 277 King Street, Amherstburg

#### Celebrating Black History Month - Month long Art Exhibit - feature artist Lana Talbot

**Description:** Celebrating Black History Month come to John Muir 363 Mill Street and view the work of local artist LANA TALBOT."Lana Talbot was born in Windsor, Ontario, where she still resides. She is a community historian and activist as well as a longtime member of Sandwich First Baptist Church,...She can often be found conducting tours of the historic Underground Railroad-era building for visitors from all over North America and beyond. As a multitalented artist and Vice President of the Artists of Colour (Windsor-Essex County) Lana Talbot creates works of art under the pseudonym Enyale. She is respected for her singing, drawing, painting, and fashion design in addition to her gift for making one-of-a-kind African Diaspora-inspired dolls." from: <a href="https://collections.uwindsor.ca/omeka-s/nwoc/interview-bios">https://collections.uwindsor.ca/omeka-s/nwoc/interview-bios</a>. PLEASE NOTE: The display will be accessible everyday on February during library hours. CONTACT: JANET C. BROWN 519-255-6770 X 7700 jbrown@windsorpubliclibrary.com

When: The display will be accessible everyday on February during library hours.

**Time:** 12-5pm

Location: John Muir Main floor, 363 Mill Street, Windsor

#### **CROSSROADS Historical Guide: Stories for Black History Month**

**Description:** Register for your free CROSSROADS digital pass to explore the historical significance of Windsor Essex. This pass will take you on a self guided tour where you can discover the rich and storied history of the area. Discover our place along the Underground Railroad, and for the month of February, read the featured stories for Black History Month. The CROSSROADS Historical Guide sheds light and provides an informative context to the settlements and advances that have played an integral role in shaping who we are. Call us at 519 255 6530 or email <a href="mailto:info@tourismwindsoressex.com">info@tourismwindsoressex.com</a> for more information.

When: February 1st – February 29th, 2024

Time: Available online 24-7

Location: This is a digital pass for a self guided tour that can be found online at

https://www.visitwindsoressex.com/black-history/

## The Blackbridge Commitment (November, 2022) by Carlyle J. Hutchinson. Available on Amazon. (Simply Google the title)

**Description:** The Backbridge Commitment is a Black history/cultural resource. It is a 400-page sociopolitical novel whose focus is primarily on migration from the Caribbean (Trinidad and Tobago) to North America (Canada) but also addresses the issues of slavery, colonialism and indentureship. The following is a sample of the feedback about the work by a Verified British purchaser/reader from Birmingham, United Kingdom. (Transmitted via email September 2023) "Personally, I see The Backbridge Commitment as a textbook on neo-colonialism masquerading as a novel. But as the central character grew from an inquisitive student into a learned teacher, the reader is taken along a journey of enlightenment. This book needs to be on the curriculum." Contact <a href="mailto:chutchinson63@sympatico.ca">chutchinson63@sympatico.ca</a> for more information.

**When:** The Blackbridge Commitment (November, 2022) by Carlyle J. Hutchinson. Available at Amazon Books.

#### **Black Law Student's Association-Windsor Chapter**

**Description:** Join the BLSA for their Black History Movie Night, Friday February 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6-8:30pm. They will be featuring *Judas and the Black Messiah*, free popcorn and drinks. Please join us at the Windsor Law Building, Room 2120 for this FREE event. Email <a href="mailto:blsawin@gmail.com">blsawin@gmail.com</a> for more information or visit our Facebook page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/blsawindsor">https://www.facebook.com/blsawindsor</a>.

When: Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024

**Time:** 6-8:30pm

Location: University of Windsor Law Building, Room 2120

#### **AUWSA AfroFest 2024**

**Description:** The African Diaspora Festival (AfroFest) is a monthlong celebration that commemorates the history and work of the African diaspora and the contributions of Black people locally and globally. The year 2024 marks the 9th year of the United Nations Declaration of International Decade for People of African Descent, and February 2024 marks the 19th anniversary. AfroFest is committed to making the University of Windsor campus a safe and accepting environment for Black students, and the entire student body. For more information about all of the events being offered this year please visit <a href="https://uwsa.ca/services/afrofest/">https://uwsa.ca/services/afrofest/</a>

When: Friday, February 2nd to Thursday, February 29th, 2024

**Time:** Please see <a href="https://uwsa.ca/services/afrofest/">https://uwsa.ca/services/afrofest/</a> for more information. **Location:** Please see <a href="https://uwsa.ca/services/afrofest/">https://uwsa.ca/services/afrofest/</a> for more information.

#### Library Live Children's and Teen Clubs – BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM

**Description:** Join as we share books, activities and games related to heroes and sheroes from the African diaspora. CONTACT: MS. JANET C. BROWN 519-255-6770EXT:7700 jbrown@windsorpubliclibrary.com

LOCATION: MUIR - MAIN FLOOR When: Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024

**Time:** 3-4:30pm

Location: John Muir Main floor, 363 Mill Street, Windsor

#### (WSO Concert) A Family Concert – Signing With Flo (Amherstburg)

**Description:** In partnership with the River Bookshop we are pleased to present a concert event with the Windsor Symphony Orchestra, featuring vocalist Flo Ndimubandi, and the talented singers of the Windsor Essex Youth Choir for a concert that highlights the brilliance of black composers. With music from Scott Joplin, Joseph Bologne, and Oscar Peterson, the whole family will be captivated! Also, get ready to sing along to pieces like "This Little Light of Mine" and "Oh Happy Day." \$5/Ticket in person or online at windsorsymphony.com.

Date: Saturday February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024

Time: 3pm

Location: Nazrey A.M.E. Church @ the Amherstburg Freedom Museum, 277 King Street, Amherstburg

#### Windsor Symphony Orchestra Presents: Family Concert: Singing with Flo

**Description:** Join the WSO, vocalist Flo Ndimubandi, and the talented singers of the Windsor Essex Youth Choir for a concert that highlights the brilliance of black composers. With music from Scott Joplin, Joseph Bologne, and Oscar Peterson, the whole family will be captivated! Also, get ready to sing along to pieces like "This Little Light of Mine" and "Oh Happy Day." A themed craft is included before the concert. Concerts are 45 minutes long. Francisco Hernández Bolaños, conductor, Jan Radford, co-host Featuring: Florine Ndimubandi, vocalist, The Windsor Essex Youth Choir and Select Musicians from the WSO. Tickets are \$5/each, please visit <a href="https://www.windsorsymphony.com">www.windsorsymphony.com</a> to purchase tickets and for more information.

When: Saturday February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM & 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

**Location:** The Capitol Theatre - 121 University Ave. W., Windsor

#### Windsor West Indian Association's Flavors of Freedom Annual Black History Brunch

**Description:** Featuring delicious Caribbean cuisine, the Windsor West Indian Association's annual Black History Brunch is happening 12-4 p.m. Admission \$25 for adults, \$15 for children under 12. Tickets can be purchased by calling (519) 945-0213 or by e-mail to secretary@wwia.club or at the door.

Date: Sunday, February 4, 2024

**Time:** 12-4pm

Location: Caribbean Centre, 2410 Central Avenue, Windsor

#### Youth Art Class with Dennis K. Smith

**Description:** In partnership with the River Bookshop, the Amherstburg Freedom Museum and local artist Dennis K. Smith, we are pleased to offer a Youth Art Class. Artists Dennis K. Smith will open his studio and invite young people to create a beautiful work of art. Please contact the museum at 519-736-5433 to register, spaces are limited! Please RSVP to this FREE event by emailing curator@amherstburgfreedom.org there are only 15 spaces available. More information can be found at

www.amherstburgfreedom.org

When: Saturday, February 10th, 2024

Time: 1-3pm

Location: dKs Studio & Gallery, 1130 Minto Avenue, LaSalle

#### A Blaze of Story, Featuring Erik E-Tomic Johnson

Description: Join poet Erik E-Tomic Johnson and City of Windsor Multicultural Storyteller Teajai Travis for a Blaze of Story. Erik E-Tomic Johnson is a local hip-hop inspired wordsmith from Windsor-Essex region, and a proud son of Sandwich Towne in Windsor's west end as well as a member of the afro indigenous community and a poet and advocate for artists with disabilities. Erik has lent his talents and voice to numerous events and causes in his community and abroad over his lengthy career as a wordsmith including, competing in the Windsor Slam Poetry competition and becoming the 2018 grand slam champion and going on to join the Windsor Poetry Slam team, where he then went on to represent Windsor at the Canadian Festival of Spoken Word, he then went on to be an interview on Talkin Real Melanin as well as being featured in the Across The River to Freedom documentary as well as numerous other events. More recently Erik has stepped into the world of self-publishing when he launched his first collection of poetry called Well Versed, and most recently he has tapped into his talent for storytelling by facilitating a charity event known as All Hallowed Reads Halloween event which will have its 3rd installment coming later this year and his second collection of poems. Stay tuned for more from this prolific poet as he brings his passion for storytelling from the page and the stage! Note that there is an open call for submissions: if you would like to be featured at a future event, send a brief synopsis of your ancestral story(ies) to <a href="mailto:sacredstorystudio@gmail.com">sacredstorystudio@gmail.com</a>.

Date: Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Time: 6-7pm

Location: Café Amor & Art, 1464 Ottawa Street, Windsor

#### Beauty Is Me Presents: BLACK is Beautiful: A Celebration of Strength, Resilience and Triumph

**Description:** You are invited to join us for a great evening celebrating black history. While much of our history is marred by oppression, discrimination, and prejudice, we celebrate the generations of people who led the march towards freedom that we continue to advocate for today. This celebration will honour prominent persons of the past and powerful activists in our community today who reflect and make up the creative, influential, educated, and brilliant emerging generation of black people. We are excited to welcome for the first time as our keynote speaker, Candies Kotchapaw (Founder of DYLOTT) from our native city of Windsor, ON. This event is FREE, meal provided. Doors open at 4:30pm. You don't want to miss this celebration of our Black History! More information and to register at <a href="https://beautyisme.ca/events">https://beautyisme.ca/events</a> Sponsored by: @ontrillium.

When: February 15, 2024

**Time:** 5:30-9pm

Location: WWIA Caribbean Centre - 2410 Central Avenue Windsor, ON N8W 4J3

#### AWE at Night - February 2024

**Description:** On February 15, Art Windsor-Essex is open late for an evening of art activities, community conversations, guided tours, delicious food and drinks, music, and good vibes.

AWE once again partners with the Chimczuk Museum for a celebration across all three floors of our shared building! Partners for this evening's celebrations include <a href="Essex County Black Historical Research Society">Essex County Black Historical Research Society</a>, <a href="Windsor Law Centre for Cities">Windsor Law Centre for Cities</a>, and Transnational Arts & Entertainment Law Clinic. Join us for guided tours of the <a href="Mary Ann Shadd Cary Bicentennial Display">Mary Ann Shadd Cary Bicentennial Display</a> and Cracks in the Clockwork; complimentary screenings of Across The River to Freedom: Lucie and Thornton Blackburn; a community conversation on the enduring legacies of Lucie and Thornton Blackburn; art activities in AWE's Studio inspired by Charmaine Lurch; music by Greyhound; and drinks and snacks by Windsor Eats and Zule Eats.">Windsor Eats and Zule Eats</a>.

(Current AWE and/or Museum Windsor Members: Free admission to both Art Windsor-Essex and the Chimczuk Museum. Non-Members: \$13.25 – Admission to both Art Windsor-Essex and the Chimczuk Museum)

When: Thursday, February 15th, 2024

**Time:** 5pm – 9pm

Location: 401 Riverside Dr. W, Windsor, ON

The Windsor Public Library Presents - Adult and Senior - Black History Month Peaceful Place to Paint

**Description:** Adults and seniors, join us on the 3rd Thursday of the month from February - June. All supplies will be provided. We are using acrylic paint. Each week a different artist style will be featured to help you improve your painting skills or inspire you to learn how to paint. This is a program for all skill levels. If you have your own paintings, please bring them in to show us. We ask that you only bring one art piece per session. This month we will be inspired by the works of artists Jacob Lawrence, Jean-Michel Basquiat and more talent artists from the African Diaspora. Space is limited to 10 participants each session. For more information please contact Janet C. Brown at 5192556770 or jbrown@windsorpubliclibrary.com

When: Thursday February 15, 2024

**Time:** 3:30-5pm

Location: John Muir Branch, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor (glass enclosed activity room), 363 Mill Street, Windsor

#### Unifor Local's 2458, 240, 200 & 195 Black History Month Social Mixer

**Description:** Unifor Local's 2458, 240, 200 & 195 invite you attend a Black History Month Social Mixer, on Friday February 16<sup>th</sup> from 6-9pm, at 3400 Somme Ave, Windsor. Music, light refreshments, raffle prizes and guest speakers! "Let's come together to connect, inspire and celebrate."

When: Friday February 16, 2024

Time: 6-9pm

Location: 3400 Somme Ave, Windsor

#### The Artists of Colour Presents - The Never-Ending Quest for Inclusion

**Description:** The Never-Ending Quest for Inclusion is the second portion of The Artists of Colour "Journeys" Project. This special presentation is a fine arts-based project featuring original paintings that are accompanied with historical information fact-filled panels that lead visitors on their quest to learn more. QR codes on each sectional panel create a seamless way to further engage and increase the learning experience. This informative exhibit will educate visitors to the strength, determination, and fortitude Blacks exemplified to overcome obstacles, achieve inclusion into the fabric of Canadian society, and establish their culture and livelihood. *Supported by the City of Windsor's Arts, Culture & Heritage Fund (ACHF) achfwindsor.ca.* For further info. go to <a href="https://www.theartistsofcolour.com/">http://www.theartistsofcolour.com/</a> or Contact: Dennis K Smith - <a href="https://www.theartistsofcolour.com/">dksoriginals@gmail.com</a>

**Date:** Feb 17th - Feb 24th, **Time:** 11 am – 4:30 pm

Location: Mackenzie Hall Cultural Centre, 3277 Sandwich St. W., Windsor

Panel Discussion: A Conversation about Women's Empowerment and Community Engagement
Description: In partnership with the River Bookshop, we are thrilled to have as panelists Executive
Director of Women's Enterprise Skills Training of Windsor Inc. Rose Anguiano Hurst, Award Winning
educator and Curriculum Developer Shantelle Browning-Morgan, Black Student Support CoOrdinator University of Windsor Kaitlyn Ellsworth, Actor, Playwright, Choreographer and President
of The Black Council of Windsor-Essex Leslie McCurdy and Author, Educator, Historian and President

of <u>Essex County Black Historical Research Society</u> Irene Moore Davis. The panel will also be moderated by Global Launch Process, Planning, and Strategy Manager at Ford, and Amherstburg Freedom Museum Board Director, Cari-Lynn Ristic. We hope you will join us! Please RSVP on Facebook, more information can be found at <a href="https://www.amherstburgfreedom.org">www.amherstburgfreedom.org</a>

When: Saturday February 17th, 2024

Time: 2pm

Location: The Amherstburg Freedom Museum, 277 King Street, Amherstburg

#### **Celebrating the Next Generation of Black Youth Excellence**

**Description:** Windsor Essex Community Health Centre Free admission. Guest Speakers, performances, games, food, prizes and much more! Visit <a href="www.wechc.org">www.wechc.org</a> or contact. Contact Olu Ogunde, Case Worker for more information at (519)253-8481 ext.290.

When: February 21, 2024

**Time:** 4-7pm

Location: 1361 Ouellette Ave Windsor Ontario, Windsor Essex Community Health Centre - Teen Health

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# Culture Advocacy and Education: A Panel Discussion on the Legacy and Significance of the Hour-A-Day Study Club (90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition)

**Description:** with panelists Marium Tolson-Murtty (President), Kaitlyn Ellsworth (Treasurer, Scholarship Trust Fund), Cari-Lynn Ristic (Treasurer, General Account), and Tramaine Brown (Member). The panel discussion will happen virtually on Wednesday, February 21st at 1pm. We hope you will join us! To join on February 21st, please go to https://ow.ly/ILyt50QvxeA

When: February 21, 2024

Time: 1pm

Location: To join on February 21st, please go to https://ow.ly/ILyt50QvxeA

# The Windsor Public Library Presents - Adult and Senior - Celebrating Black History Month - Photographers, Writers, and Poets

**Description:** Pictures say 1000 words and so do books and the occasional poem. Today we will be discussing our favourite authors, photographers, poets and non-fiction writers from the African Diaspora. Do you have a favourite? Join us and share. For more information please contact Janet C.

Brown at 5192556770 or jbrown@windsorpubliclibrary.com

When: Thursday February 22, 2024

**Time:** 3:30-5pm

Location: John Muir Branch, Stable Local History Room, 363 Mill Street, Windsor

#### Black Kids in Action Present "By lifting others, We Rise"

**Description:** Join Black Kids in Action Performing Arts Group as they perform their Black History Month Production "By lifting others, We rise." Tickets \$30.00 until Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>, \$35.00 afterward, or \$40.00 at the door. For information: Marcia, 519-566-8791, Malcom, 236-971-5112, Daniel Akinbinu, 226-246-6532 or e-mail bkiayouths2019@gmail.com.

Date: Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024

**Time:** 7-9pm

Location: Capitol Theatre, 121 University Ave. W., Windsor

WSO Concert - Korin Thomas-Smith Sings Mozart (Amherstburg)

**Description:** In partnership with the River Bookshop we are pleased to present a concert event with the Windsor Symphony Orchestra, *Korin Thomas-Smith Sings Mozart*. Jean-Philippe Rameau's Platée was one of the most highly regarded of Rameau's operas during his lifetime. Ballet was a huge part of 18th century French opera. Jean-Joseph Cassaneà de Mondonville rounds out the program with a concert of pre-revolutionary court music and you'll hear music from the Marriage of Figaro by their contemporary Mozart sung by Korin Thomas-Smith. Tickets are \$35 each and can be purchased online at www.windsorsymphony.com.

When: Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024

**Time:** 7:30pm

Location: Nazrey A.M.E. Church @ the Amherstburg Freedom Museum, 277 King Street, Amherstburg

#### Ford City Funnies – Live Stand-Up Comedy Show

**Description:** Join us for our February edition of "Ford City Funnies" hosted by Shawn Townsend and featuring Bella Hugley and our headliner T.Barb! Our headliner is known to give you the latest what's happenings with her "Only in Detroit" videos, the hilarious and multi-talented Comedian T.Barb! Flying in from the southern U.S., she will leave you captivated with her charm and one-liners, the one and only Bella Hugley! And hosted by the man who can claim both the 313 and the 519, Shawn Townsend! A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Amherstburg Freedom Museum for the great work they do in the community! Tickets are available for purchase on <a href="Eventbrite">Eventbrite</a>. Tickets are \$20 in advance (online), \$25 at the door (cash only). 19+ older Show / Bar.

When: Saturday, February 24th, 2024

**Time:** 8:00 p.m. (Doors open at 7:00 p.m.) to 10:00 p.m.

Location: Club 9, 1457 Drouillard Rd, Windsor

#### Museum Windsor – Irene Moore Davis, Mary Ann Shadd Cary Talk

**Description:** Join Museum Windsor at the Chimczuk Museum as they welcome historian, author, educator, historian and president of the Essex County Black Historical Society to speak about the life and accomplishments of trailblazer Mary Ann Shadd Cary.

Date: Friday, February 24th, 2024

Time: 1pm

Location: 401 Riverside Drive West, Windsor

#### Windsor West Indian Association Presents The Annual Black History Month Tea

**Description:** "Nourishing the success in our community." A candid conversation with Patricia Brown, Barrister and Solicitor, International lawyer, Practicing in the area of criminal defense and mental health law, and Donna Wellington, RN MBA, SVO. Chief Ambulatory Officer, VO – System Primary Care & COO – Behavioral Health Service – Henry Ford health System. Admission \$10 donation and can be purchased by calling (519) 945-0213 or by e-mail to secretary@wwia.club.

Date: Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Time: 2-5pm

Location: Caribbean Centre, 2410 Central Avenue, Windsor

#### Museum Windsor – FREE Admission Day at the Chimczuk Museum

**Description:** Celebrating Black History Month and Heritage Week, Museum Windsor is offering FREE

admission to the Chimczuk Museum from 10am-5pm on Saturday February 24<sup>th</sup>.

Date: Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Time: 10am-5pm

Location: 401 Riverside Drive West, Windsor

#### **Omoluabi Black History Month Celebration**

**Description:** NCCEEP invites you to her 6th annual Omoluabi Black History Month Celebration on February 25 at McKenzie Hall (3277 Sandwich St. W, Windsor, ON N9C 1A9) from 2 pm to 4 pm. Register https://forms.gle/PoJq4szzpDViU3tb9

When: February 25, 2024

Time: 2-4pm

Location: McKenzie Hall (3277 Sandwich St. W, Windsor, ON N9C 1A9)

#### **Feminisms Teach-In Series: Sustaining Shared Futures**

**Description:** The Interdisciplinary and Critical Studies Department at the University of Windsor is hosting an Afro-Feminisms Teach-In Series: Sustaining Shared Futures on February 26th at 7pm. Speakers include Irene Moore Davis, Dr. Juliet Bushi, Marium Tolson-Murtty and Tina Brown. For more information and to register email iacs@uwindsor.ca . This event is a simultaneous Hybrid Microsoft Teams Stream, Chat & Q&A.

When: February 26, 2024

**Time:** 7-9pm

Location: UWindsor School of Creative Arts Performance Hall (The Armouries 353 Freedom Way)

#### BLSA Black History Month Lunch and Learn with guest speaker Irene Moore Davis.

**Description:** Come and engage in meaningful discussions, gain valuable knowledge, and celebrate the rich heritage of Black history with us. Refreshments will be provided. Don't miss out on this educational and inspiring event! We look forward to seeing you there. REGISTER NOW! <u>Click here to register</u> or visit <a href="https://www.uwindsor.ca/law/">https://www.uwindsor.ca/law/</a> for more information.

When: February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Time: 12pm

Location: Ron W. Ianni, Faculty of Law Building, Room 0150 University of Windsor

#### **AWE Adult Program: Artist Talk with Charmaine Lurch**

**Description:** For Black History Month, join us for a guided tour of Charmaine Lurch's work A Mobile and Visible Carriage featured in the exhibition, The Once and Future City. This exhibition featured works from AWE's collection that show the dynamic and changing nature of urban and city life. Artists Talk from 10:30am – 11am, followed by Q&A and refreshments from 11am-11:30am. **Charmaine Lurch** is an interdisciplinary visual artist who explores the intricate relationships between humans and their environments through paintings and sculptures. Using diverse materials, her work subtly intertwines Black life and global movement, challenging viewers to visualize new ways of seeing and knowing. This program is FREE with regular gallery admission (\$10, pay on-site), free for current AWE members. Please RSVP here <a href="https://artwindsoressex.ca/events-workshops/adult-program-artist-talk-with-charmaine-lurch/">https://artwindsoressex.ca/events-workshops/adult-program-artist-talk-with-charmaine-lurch/</a>

When: Tuesday, February 27th, 2024

**Time:** 10:30am-11:30am

Location: Art Windsor-Essex, 401 Riverside Dr. W, 3rd floor

# Malcom X And the Struggle For Justice and Brotherhood (The Stephen A. Jarislowsky Chair In Religion and Conflict)

**Description:** Please join Assumption University, St. Clair College, and the Sandwich First Baptist Church for an event on Thursday February 29<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm featuring Mr. Abdur-Rahman Muhammad. Mr. Muhammad is an independent scholar based in Washington, DC. He is a historian, journalist, writer, and

activist, widely regarded as one of the most respected authorities on the life and legacy of the civil rights-era leader, Malcom X (El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz).

When: Thursday February 29, 2024

Time: 7pm

Location: St. Clair College South Windsor Campus, Main Building, Room A3216 (3rd Floor), Talbot Road

West, Windsor

### The Windsor Public Library Presents - Adult and Senior - Celebrating Black History Month LOCAL HISTORY

**Description:** This week we will focus on individuals in the Essex County area that have had a significant impact on the way we live. If you have a story to share PLEASE JOIN US and share. For more information please contact Janet C. Brown at 5192556770 or jbrown@windsorpubliclibrary.com

When: Thursday February 29, 2024

**Time:** 3:30-5pm

Location: John Muir Branch, Stable Local History Room, 363 Mill Street, Windsor

Book Launch: Black Activist, Black Scientist, Black Icon: The Autobiography of Dr. Howard D. McCurdy with Dr. George Elliott Clarke and Dr. Brenda McCurdy with Moderator Dr. Gregg French

Description: The University of Windsor is thrilled to present Black Activist, Black Scientist, Black Icon: The Autobiography of Dr. Howard D. McCurdy. Get ready to dive into the remarkable life story of Dr. Howard D. McCurdy, a true trailblazer. The program will feature acclaimed author George Eillott Clarke, as well as Dr. Brenda McCurdy, Dr. Gregg French, and Marium Tolson-Murtty. This is a FREE event, please register here.

Date: Thursday February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Time:** 2:30-4pm

**Location:** Faculty of Science, CORe Atrium, University of Windsor.

**Note:** This activity schedule is a living document. Check our online/social media channels for the latest, most up to date information!



Keep up to date on 2024 Black History Month events happening in our region!

Visit https://amherstburgfreedom.org/bhm for the latest and most accurate information.



Look for continuous updates on the **Black History Month Windsor-Essex** and **Essex County Black Historical Research Society** Facebook pages.