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### CELEBRATE AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

Las Vegas, NV—The Las Vegas-Clark County Library District will offer a variety of programs throughout the month of February to celebrate African American History Month and the contributions African Americans have made to our community. All events are free and open to the public. Visit [www.lvccld.org](http://www.lvccld.org) for more information. Highlights of the month include:

#### ***Hiram & Nettie – The Musical***

Friday, February 5 at 7 p.m.

Saturday, February 6 at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Sunday, February 7 at 4 p.m.

West Las Vegas Library Theatre, 951 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 507-3989

The story of forbidden love between slaves from two different worlds. Written by Terrance Afer-Anderson. Directed and co-sponsored by Torrey A. Russell.

#### ***Why I Catch the Night Train and My Father My Son***

Friday, February 5 at 7 p.m.

Clark County Library Theater, 1401 E. Flamingo Rd., 507-3459

Friday, February 19 at 7 p.m.

West Las Vegas Library Theatre, 951 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 507-3989

Two captivating one-man plays written by Rick Davenport, starring Lanyard A. Williams and Alexander Mervin. Co-sponsored by Tammera Williams of Lantam Productions.

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**Sojourner Truth: I Sell the Shadow**

Saturday, February 6 at 2 p.m.

West Charleston Library, 6301 W. Charleston Blvd., 507-3943

Saturday, February 20 at 2 p.m.

Spring Valley Library, 4280 S. Jones Blvd., 507-3820

Saturday, February 27 at 2 p.m.

Las Vegas Library, 833 Las Vegas Blvd. N., 507-3500

A historical drama, this one-woman stage show incorporates audience participation. Created and performed by Kim Russell. All ages are welcome.

**Las Vegas Contemporary Dance Theater**

African American Choreographic Legends Series

Friday, February 12 at 7:30 p.m.

Summerlin Library and Performing Arts Center, 1771 Inner Circle Dr., 507-3860

Mini-Performance

Saturday, February 13 at 1:30 p.m.

West Las Vegas Library Theatre, 951 Lake Mead Blvd., 507-3989

The Las Vegas Contemporary Dance Theater (LVCDT) highlights legendary African American choreographers, facilitated by founding artistic director, Bernard H. Gaddis.

Master Class for Aspiring Young Dancers

Saturday, February 13 at 11 a.m.

West Las Vegas Library Theatre, 951 Lake Mead Blvd., 507-3989

LVCDT conducts a class (Horton Technique) for dancers aged 10-17. Call 507-3989 for reservations.

**Blacks in Hollywood and Film**

Workshops for Youth

Saturday, February 13 at 3 p.m.

Film Series

Sunday, February 28 at 2:30 p.m. – *Once Upon a Time...When We Were Colored* (PG)

West Las Vegas Library Theatre, 951 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 507-3989

Explore the history of African American actors, actresses and behind-the-scenes professionals. Q & A will follow film screening. Co-sponsored by the Las Vegas Chapter of the Links, Inc.

**African Americans in Film – Triad Film Series**

Sunday, February 14 at 1 p.m. – Exploitation in Black  
West Las Vegas Library Theatre, 951 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 507-3989

Filmmaker and educator Stan Armstrong moderates this thought-provoking series. Co-sponsored by Desert Rose Films.

**Gospel Brunch Inspirational Showcase**

Tuesday, February 16 at 11 a.m.  
West Las Vegas Library Theatre, 951 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 507-3989

Enjoy singers, dancers, poets and speakers followed by a light brunch. Call 229-5096 to RSVP. Co-sponsored by the City of Las Vegas, Department of Leisure Services.

**Jazz for Children**

Tuesday, February 16 at 1 p.m.  
Summerlin Library and Performing Arts Center, 1771 Inner Circle Dr., 507-3860

Wednesday, February 17 at 1 p.m.  
Sunrise Library, 5400 Harris Ave., 507-3900

Thursday, February 18 at 1 p.m.  
West Las Vegas Library Theatre, 951 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 507-3989

Friday, February 19 at 1 p.m.  
West Charleston Library, 6301 W. Charleston Blvd., 507-3943

Woody Woods explores the history of jazz through music, visual arts, dance, story and song. Co-sponsored by the Las Vegas Jazz Society, Inc.

**At the Author's Table**

Saturday, February 20 at 1 p.m.  
West Las Vegas Library Theatre, 951 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 507-3989

Authors Linda Porter (*Torn Between 2 Brothas*) and Roosevelt Toston (*Beating the Odds in Las Vegas...and in Life*) share their books. Book sales and signings will follow.

**3rd Annual West Preparatory Academy Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Oratorical Competition and Art Festival**

Thursday, February 25 at 6 p.m.  
West Las Vegas Library Theatre, 951 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 507-3989

Students challenge themselves by competing in performance oratory. Co-sponsored by the Clark County School District.

**Jeopardy Bowl 2010**

Friday, February 26 at 6 p.m.

West Las Vegas Library Theatre, 951 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 507-3989

Fifth grade students from local elementary schools demonstrate their knowledge of African American history. Co-sponsored by the Las Vegas Links, Inc. and the Clark County School District.

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