

8th Annual Tulisoma South Dallas Book Fair and Arts Festival
FREE and open to the public
African American Museum (AAM) at Fair Park 3536 Grand Avenue, Dallas TX
75315 and South Dallas Cultural Center 3400 S. Fitzhugh Ave Dallas Texas
75210

Dallas Public Library: ArtSmart; preparing children to learn (1st floor - Helen Giddings Room, African American Museum)

10-11:00 a.m.

Parents/Caregivers & Children 0-5years

Research shows that the development of early literacy skills through babies' and toddler's experiences with books and the arts is critically linked to a child's success in learning. The Dallas Public Library's early literacy program, Every Child Ready to Read @ Dallas, offers free, fun workshops across the city of Dallas to inform parents and caregivers that they are their child's first teacher. Join us for an exciting, interactive presentation that will equip parents and caregivers with the six pre-reading skills and easy activities that can be incorporated into everyday routines. Participants will receive early literacy information, a list of recommended books, a craft activity, and a free children's book.

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Sex, Relationships and the College Student, A Warning- Alexis Rhone author of "Cover the Coo". (South Dallas Cultural Center Theater)

10am- 3:30 pm

Teens

From partying to pledging, to dating, then devastation-this is the unfortunate cycle of many college students. This interactive workshop explores the dynamics of sex on the college campus, offering strategies on how to avoid situations that could prematurely end your college career. Black Cinematheque Dallas will screen a film during the lunch provided for the teens from 12-1 pm. Pre-registration is required. Youth Groups should contact Vicki Meek at 214/670-0315.

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Are You Ready to Publish?: Presented by Max Rodriguez, Founder of the Harlem Book Fair, (1st floor, Helen Giddings Room, African American Museum)

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Adults

Are you ready to publish? Do you have a manuscript but are unsure of the next steps? Would you like a professional opinion of your work? Come to this special presentation sponsored by the Harlem Book Fair and receive one on one consultation that will take you to the next level.

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Lyndale the Literary Lion (Basement Classroom B&C African American Museum)

12-1:00 pm

Ages 4-12

Jammer Time Express® early literacy programming for school aged, emerging and reluctant readers explains the importance of reading. This program demonstrates that reading can be fun and at the same time creates a positive literary experience. "Lyndale the Literary Lion"© was created in 2003 as a supplemental program which uses stories, songs and music to convey communication skills to children. Lyndale has proven himself a favorite among children ages 4-12 from his creation.

Steven James Dixon Relationship Expert: "Men Don't Heal, We Ho" (basement Auditorium, African American Museum)

12 noon-1:00 pm

Adults

Steven James Dixon is a Husband, Author and Relationship Expert. Steven's book "Men Don't Heal, We Ho" - A Book About the Emotional Instability of Men is a surefire conversation starter. Since the release of Steven's book he has toured the country spreading his positive message about challenging men to heal from broken relationships. When asked what sets him apart from other relationship experts Steven had this to say "I have developed a principle that will save all marriages. That principle is that the success or failure of all marriages is based solely upon the leadership of men." While both Steven's message and principle are controversial, his expertise has been requested from all forms of media. You can find Steven on TV on everything from CNN to the "Frank & Wanda Show" in Atlanta to "You & Me This Morning in Chicago". Steven has been on the radio all across the country from LA, to New York, to Miami, Chicago, Houston and on and on. Additionally Steven has been on as many as four nationally syndicated radio stations including Tom Joyner, Rickey Smiley, Doug Banks and Sirius Satellite Radio. You can catch him blogging for Essence.com almost weekly. Steven is all over the place, but if you were to ask him what his favorite thing to do is, his response would be "Sitting in a room with a man and woman saving their marriage."

Nasechay Dipo "Speaking with Beads" African Bead Making (Basement Classroom B&C African American Museum)

12-1:00 pm

Ages 5-12

A hands-on creations of traditional beadwork and African culture. Participants learn the role of beadwork in the specific region being addressed. Students conclude with a display of various items produced with historical information on the piece/region.

"Sweet Talk" Sweet Potato Pie Contest (1st floor, Helen Giddings Room, African American Museum)

1-2:00 p.m.

Adults

The Tulsoma "Sweet Talk" sweet potato pie contest is designed to add a touch of sugar to our 8th annual Tulsoma festival as well as showcase the wonderful variety of soul food restaurants we have, not only in the South Dallas area but throughout the Metroplex. Participants are asked to put their best potato forward in our friendly but tasty competition to win the title of "Sweet Talk" champion.

1012 Natchez : A Memoir of Grace, Hardship and Style Amid Hardship- book presentation by Dr. Njoki McElroy (1st floor, Helen Giddings Room, African American Museum)

2-3:00p.m.

Adults

1012 Natchez illustrates how some African Americans persevered through entrenched racial attitudes and atrocities and managed to live with grace and style. Growing up in the 1930's and 40's under the heat of the oppression of Texas, Njoki McElroy overcame the odds to rise to the top academically, spiritually and emotionally. A series of events including a quick wedding, childbirth, deplorable living conditions and a devastating fire left her

unhinged. Ultimately the author embraced her challenges with grace, finding love, enjoying family and earning a post-graduate degree. 1012 Natchez will make you pause to appreciate your own family roots and cherish your own personal freedoms and opportunities

The Arts of Africa, The Americas, And The Pacific- book presentation by Dr. Roslyn Adele Walker, Senior Curator Dallas Museum of Art, (1st floor, Helen Giddings Room, African American Museum)

3-4:00p.m.

Adults

This beautifully illustrated book showcases 110 objects from the Dallas Museum of Art's world-renowned African collection. In contrast to Western "art for art's sake," tradition-based African art served as an agent of religion, social stability, or social control. Chosen both for their visual appeal and their compelling histories and cultural significance, the works of art are presented under the themes of leadership and status; the cycle of life; decorative arts; and influences (imported and exported). Also included are many fascinating photographs that show the context in which these objects were originally used.

Teen Wellness workshop/performance featuring SUPA NOVA SLOM (South Dallas Cultural Center Theater)

4-5:00 p.m.

Teens

Supa Nova Slom is a groundbreaking artist, author, and activist galvanizing today's hip-hop generation. His music is uncontainable to a single genre as it incorporates elements of hip-hop, crunk, funk, rock, and R&B. His CDs and DVDs collectively have sold over 100,000 globally. The son of best-selling author and legendary wholistic health practitioner Queen Afua, he is a second-generation wellness advocate and self-proclaimed "Chlorophyllion". He has guided over 1,200 youth through his Hip Hop Meditation Cyphers, been a spokes person for the Association for the Study of African Civilizations, founded The Unify The Hood, Heal the Hood Organization, and produced the internationally acclaimed DVD "Wholistic Wellness for the Hip Hop Generation". For more information on Supa Nova Slom please visit www.supanovaslom.com, www.theremedybook.com, and www.myspace.com/supanovaslomonline