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WHYY CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH WITH EXCLUSIVE, MULTIPLATFORM PROGRAMMING

WHYY proudly honors Black History Month with a selection of events, award-winning documentaries, radical performances and local histories. Hear I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings in Maya Angelou's own voice, experience Nas' deeply lyrical portrait of life in a public housing project, tour Philadelphia's prominent African American historical sites and more.

The line-up includes:

EVENTS:

Tell Them We Are Rising: The Story of Black Colleges and Universities explores the pivotal role these institutions have played over the course of 150 years in American history, culture and identity. Join WHYY for a series of special screenings and conversations about Stanley Nelson's latest film and the power of higher education to transform lives and advance civil rights and equality in the face of injustice. Guest registration: whyy.org/event

All Events free with registration

2/12/18

Tell Them We Are Rising: Preview Screening and Panel Discussion at Cheyney University

Monday, February 12, 2018, 6:00-8:30 p.m.

Marian Anderson Music Center, 1837 University Circle, Cheyney University, Thornbury Township, PA 19319

Panelists: Lisa Wright Bryant - speaker, trainer, pastor and consultant at LM Bryant Consulting, LLC; Dr. Chuck Baker - Cheyney Alumni, Faculty Member at Delaware County Community College and Cheyney University; Adiah Feron, Esq. - Lawyer and Howard

University Alumni

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Tell Them We Are Rising: Preview Screening and Panel Discussion

Tuesday, February 13, 2018, 6:00-8:30 p.m.

WHYY Studios, 150 North 6th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106

Panelists: Moderator Annette John-Hall; Marybeth Gasman - University of Pennsylvania, founding Director of the Penn Center for Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs), who is also featured in the film; Britney Norman - President of Howard University Alumni Association, Philly Chapter; Abu Edwards - Wilberforce University Graduate,; Deanna Jenkins - Spelman Graduate

2/15/18

Tell Them We Are Rising: Preview Screening at Delaware State University Thursday, February 15, 2018, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

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Delaware State University, 1200 North Dupont Highway, Dover, DE 19901



(WHYY-TV) Independent Lens Tell Them We Are Rising

Friday, February 19, 2018, 9:00 p.m. | ADD TO CALENDAR

Hear the story of the pivotal role historically black colleges and universities played in American history, culture and national identity.

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LOCALLY PRODUCED PROGRAMS & PODCASTS:

(WHYY-TV) Friday Arts

Friday, February 2, 2018, 11:00 p.m.

Friday Arts visits Chicken Bone Beach to discover the history behind this former hip African American attraction in Atlantic City, NJ, tours the former site of Pennsylvania Hall, Strawberry Mansion and other of the City's prominent African American historical sites and sits down with founder of The Black Pearl Chamber Orchestra, Jeri Lynne Johnson. Ivan Henderson of the African American Museum in Philadelphia also joins Friday Art's celebration of Black History Month to share information about the Museum's exhibits, educational programs, special events and more.

(WHYY-FM) The Pulse

Separate: Black in America

Friday, February 16, 2018, 9:00 a.m. Sunday, February 18, 2018, 12:00 p.m. or online anytime at: goo.gl/Gzs5Ju

For most of their time in America, black people have largely lived, worked and played separately from white people. Sometimes good, sometimes bad, *The Pulse* explore the reverberations of "being separate" on health and medicine. Heard weekly on WHYY and other NPR member stations, *The Pulse* tells stories at the heart of health, science and innovation.

(Podcast) Cosby Unraveled: whyy.org/programs/cosby-unraveled/

In anticipation of the April 2018 retrial of "America's Dad," listen to prominent personalities and ordinary people from the City of Brotherly Love examine the controversial life and career of Bill Cosby. Cosby Unraveled, a <u>podcast</u> from WHYY, explores Cosby's beginnings in the projects of North Philadelphia, the heights of his influence, and the causes of his downfall. Award winning columnist and WHYY reporter Annette John-Hall goes in search of the truth behind the stories and get to the heart of decades of hype surrounding this beloved yet controversial figure. As the new trial get underway, Cosby Unraveled will bring listeners trial update and additional coverage.

ON AIR:

AfroPop: The Ultimate Cultural Exchange

Thursdays at 10 p.m. starting January 25, 2018 | ADD TO CALENDAR

Explore the present-day realities and contemporary lifestyles of Africans, both on the continent and in the evolving diaspora, starting with the short film *Black Panther Woman*. Hosted by actor Nicholas L. Ashe.

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Great Performances

Nas Live from the Kennedy Center: Classical Hip Hop Friday, February 2, 2018, 9:00 p.m. | ADD TO CALENDAR

Nas teams up with the National Symphony Orchestra to stage a symphonic rendition of his groundbreaking 1994 album Illmatic, a densely textured, deeply lyrical portrait of life in the largest public housing project.

Black Ballerina

Sunday, February 11, 2018, 7 p.m. | ADD TO CALENDAR

Years into her dance career, Raven Wilkinson was told, "You've gone as far as you can...we can't have a black White Swan." Today, young black dancers continue to face the same barriers.

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American Masters

Maya Angelou

Friday, February 16, 2018, 9:00 p.m. | ADD TO CALENDAR

Distinctly referred to as "a redwood tree, with deep roots in American culture," Maya Angelou gave people the freedom to think about their history in a way they never had before.

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Karamu: 100 Years in the House

Friday, February 19. 2018, 10:30 p.m. | ADD TO CALENDAR

James Pickens, Jr. from Grey's Anatomy narrates the story of the oldest African-American theater in the United States.

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We Knew What We Had: The Greatest Jazz Story Never Told

Sunday, February 18, 2018, 7:00 p.m. | ADD TO CALENDAR

Archival footage sheds light on the social conditions and historical events that conspired to make Pittsburgh one of the world's leading contributors to the legacy of jazz music.

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We'll Meet Again

Freedom Summer

Tuesday, February 20, 2018, 8:00 p.m. | ADD TO CALENDAR

Former NBC News anchor Ann Curry reunites Fatima and Thelma, two women who lost touch after working to register voters in Louisiana during the civil rights movement.

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John Lewis: Get in the Way

Sunday, February 25, 2018, 7:00 p.m. | ADD TO CALENDAR

John Lewis rose from Alabama's Black Belt to the corridors of power on Capitol Hill, his humble origins forever linking him to those whose voices customarily go unheard.

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American Creed

Tuesday, February 27, 2018, 9:00 p.m. | ADD TO CALENDAR

Longtime friends Condoleezza Rice and historian David Kennedy explore whether a unifying set of beliefs can prove more powerful than the issues that divide us.

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