



SSSP Foundation Holds Major Benefit Concert



Bertha Hightower-Smith

On Sunday, April 10, 2016, 4:00 p.m., the Fulton County Arts and Culture Southwest Arts Center in partnership with the Samuel H. Johnson SSSP Foundation, Incorporated will present “*An Evening of Enchantment*,” a benefit concert featuring Ms. Bertha Hightower-Smith, flutist. The concert will also include guest appearances by Rev. Richard Allen Farmer, Minister of Crossroads Presbyterian Church in Stone Mountain, Georgia and Recording Artist Milkshake, Trumpeter/Fluglehornist. Concert Honorary Chairpersons are Ambassador Andrew and Mrs. Carolyn Young.



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There will also be a brief awards presentation to three honorees who have distinguished themselves in promoting educational advancement for minority college students. Sr., Dean of the Martin Luther King, Jr. International Chapel at Morehouse College; Dr. Joyce F. Johnson, Organist, Spelman College; and Dr. Cynthia Neal Spence, Associate Professor, Spelman College and Director of the UNCF/Mellon Programs. The concert is FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. However, all funds received through donations will benefit the Foundation’s scholarship endowment campaign, which seeks to raise \$500,000 to ensure that the organization continues to provide college scholarships for future generations.



Dr. Lawrence Carter Sr.



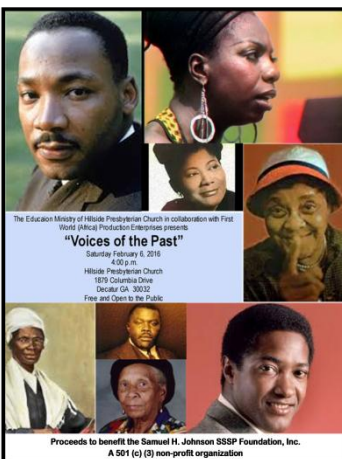
Dr. Joyce Johnson



Dr. Cynthia Neal Spence

The concert will be held at the Southwest Arts Center Performance Theater, 915 New Hope Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30331. Those planning to attend should register at <http://www.eventbrite.com>. From more information, contact LaMarian Hayes-Wallace, 404-538-0358.

The Foundation Celebrates Black History Month



For the fourth consecutive year Education Ministry of Hillside Presbyterian Church in collaboration with First World (Africa) Production Enterprises has hosted a celebration of African American Heritage to support the Samuel H. Johnson SSSP Foundation Inc. This year’s production “Voices of the Past” featured interpretative dance, music, spoken word, and audio visual productions. The event was produced under the direction of Dr. Webster Wallace, The Founder and CEO of First Word (Africa) Production Enterprises - its mission is dedicated to the preservation, interpretation and presentation of the historical and cultural heritage of African Americans and other people of African descent throughout the African Diaspo See photos on page 2

SSSPer’s Footprints to join Civil Rights Walk of Fame



Gordon L. Joyner

On January 22, Gordon Joyner (66/67) was added to the International Civil Rights Walk of Fame in Atlanta, Georgia. The induction ceremony took place at Ebenezer Baptist Church. The event was hosted by Trumpet Awards Foundation president Xernona Clayton.

Joyner, a lawyer and former Fulton County Commissioner, served as executive director and administrator of the Georgia Commission on Equal Opportunity for 11 years. He has been recognized for his leadership by two presidents, five Georgia governors, and two city of Atlanta mayors.

The Walk of Fame, which honors activists involved in the 1950s and 1960s civil rights movement and others involved in the struggle for civil rights, was created in 2004. It is located at the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historic site in Atlanta. The International Civil Rights Walk of Fame gives recognition to the foot soldiers of justice who sacrificed and struggled to help make equality a reality for all Americans

Photos from “Voices of the Past”



Mrs. Bettye Gilbert sings a stirring medley of "Negro" spirituals.

Ms. Trisha Lindsay performs a spirited interpretative dance.

Dr Wallace pours libation for the ancestors

Ms. racey Hodge deliver sojourner Truth's speech "Ain't I A Woman?"

Mr. Richard Campbell shares some of the quotations of Marcus Garvey.

“Celebrating the Past and Present; Charting the Future - The SSSP Legacy”

2015 Scholarships Awarded

Through the support of our donors, the Foundation has awarded over \$40,000 in scholarships. This year, the Foundation gave five v our donors, the Foundation has awarded over \$40,000 in scholarships. This year, the Foundation gave five



Endia Hayes

Endia Hayes - Junior, Spelman College (Atlanta, GA). She is a UNCF/MellonProgram honor student majoring in Sociology and Anthropology. She is an aspiring college professor of Sociology who wants to educate students about the importance of how religion affects our society, societal norms, as well as individual behavior.



Jeremy Jackson.

Jeremy Jackson - Junior, Wiley College (Marshall, TX). He is a UNCF/Mellon Program honor student majoring in Biology. He too aspires to become a college professor. He is a member of the Student Union Advisory Board.



Janicia Mitchell

Janicia Mitchell - Junior, Rust College (Holly Springs, MS). She is a UNCF/Mellon Program honor student majoring in Sociology. As an aspiring college professor, she desires to educate students with the same effort, zeal, and determination as she received from her high school teachers and college professors.



Taskasha Nutall

Takasha Nutall - Senior, Spelman College (Atlanta, GA). She is a Social Justice Fellow honor student majoring in Political Science and International Studies. Her career goal is to become a United States Ambassador. Therefore, she plans to volunteer for the Peace Corps or Princeton in Asia program after graduation to acquire more international experience. She is a first generation college student.

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Martine Williams - Junior, Spelman College (Atlanta, GA). She is a Social Justice Fellow honor student majoring in Biology. Her career goal is to become a neonatologist and provide medical care for infants. She also mentors other young girls through the Communities in School Program in Atlanta and is actively engaged in numerous school and community organizations.

In order to continue investing in the future through scholarships to deserving students, the Foundation needs YOU! Please use the Foundation website to make your donation. You may also consider making an annual pledge. Your tax deductible contributions will make a critical difference in reaching our 2018 endowment goal of \$500,000.

Welcome to the Newest Board Member

Dominique Holloman is an alumna of the University of Georgia and the University Of Georgia School Of Law. Completing a dual degree program in which she received a JD and a MEd in Sport Management, her professional career has primarily focused on higher education administration in the area of collegiate athletic administration with a specialization in NCAA Compliance. Desiring a transition from the administrative side of campus to the academic side, she returned to the UGA to complete a Doctorate of Philosophy in Kinesiology with a specialization in Sport Management and Policy (SMP). Most recently, Ms. Holloman assisted with the United Way of Greater Atlanta's Volunteer Involvement Program (VIP). VIP is a ten-week board training program designed to produce trained effective board member candidates for Atlanta-area nonprofits. The Board is delighted that Dr. Holloman has agreed to serve.

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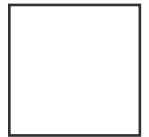


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