



CITY OF CLEVELAND
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News Advisory

City of Cleveland to commemorate Black History Month by recognizing the past and honoring future leaders

CLEVELAND –The City of Cleveland’s 2015 Black History Month celebration kicks-off Monday, February 2, 2015. This year’s theme “Cleveland’s Future: We are in Good Hands,” was chosen to highlight, share and learn about the many endeavors, accomplishments and future plans of our African American community. The month of activities will focus on media, sports, arts & entertainment, as well as education and health.

The opening day invitation-only luncheon will feature LaRese Purnell, CFO and COO of the Word Church along with NewsChannel 5 Anchor Danita Harris, Chef Eric Wells and Cleveland Cavaliers emcee Ahmaad Crump among others. The month will round out with a salute to former Congresswoman Stephanie Tubbs Jones.

Following is the calendar of events.

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| Friday, February 6 th | A Salute To Sports | 12:00 p.m. | City Hall Rotunda |
| Saturday, February 7 th | Flag Raising | 11:00 a.m. | City Hall Rotunda |
| Wednesday, February 11 th | Salute to Arts & Entertainment | 12:00 p.m. | City Hall Rotunda |
| Wednesday, February 18 th | Salute to Media | 12:00 p.m. | NewBridge |
| Friday, February 20 th | Salute to Food/Culinary Arts | 12:00 p.m. | City Hall Rotunda |
| Wednesday, February 25 th | Salute to Education | 12:00 p.m. | City Hall Rotunda |
| Thursday, February 26 th | Salute to Health | 12:00 p.m. | City Hall Rotunda |

All events are free and open to the public. For more information on the month’s activities, please contact the City of Cleveland Community Relations Board at 216-664-3290.

CLEVELAND'S FUTURE:

WE ARE IN GOOD HANDS



CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

2015 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MON | FEB. 2ND
OPENING CEREMONY LUNCHEON
A SALUTE TO BLACKS IN CLEVELAND
12PM, CITY HALL ROTUNDA
Guest Speaker, Larese Purnell, Chief of Staff,
The Word Church
(Invitation only)

FRI | FEB. 6TH
A SALUTE TO SPORTS
12PM, CITY HALL ROTUNDA
Honoree: Coach Ted Ginn, Sr., The Ginn Academy
Food samples provided by Whitmore's Bar B Que
(Free, Open to Public)

SAT | FEB 7TH
FLAG RAISING
11 AM, CITY HALL ROTUNDA
41st Annual Black History Flag Raising.
For more information contact Coalition for a Better Life
at **216-486-1699 OR 216-538-4043**

WED | FEB 11TH
A SALUTE TO ARTS &
ENTERTAINMENT &
BLACK CULTURAL BAZAAR
12PM, CITY HALL ROTUNDA
Honoree: Terrence Spivey, Artistic Director, Karamu House
Food samples provided by B&M Bar B Que
(Free, Open to Public)

WEB | FEB 18TH
A SALUTE TO MEDIA
**12PM, NEWBRIDGE CLEVELAND CENTER
FOR ARTS & TECHNOLOGY**
3634 Euclid Avenue, Free Parking
Panel Discussion with Media Professionals
moderated by Shelley Shockley, Marketing Manager,
Cleveland Public Power
Food samples by Mo Bite Products
(Free, Open to Public)

THUR | FEB 19TH
MINISTER'S BREAKFAST
**9 AM, CLEVELAND BURKE LAKEFRONT
AIRPORT**
1501 North Marginal Road
Special Guest Speakers
(Invitation Only)

FRI | FEB 20TH
A SALUTE TO FOOD/CULINARY ARTS
12PM, CITY HALL ROTUNDA
Food samples provided by local chefs
(Free, Open to Public)

SAT | FEB 21ST
A SALUTE TO GOSPEL MUSIC
6PM, EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH
7901 Quincy Avenue
featuring local gospel artists
(Free, Open to Public)

WED | FEB 25TH
A SALUTE TO EDUCATION &
BLACK CULTURAL BAZAAR
12PM, CITY HALL ROTUNDA
Food samples provided by Chic Fil A

THUR | FEB 26TH
A SALUTE TO WOMEN'S HEALTH
11AM-2PM, CITY HALL ROTUNDA
Go Red for Women - heart health information, vendors
and activities. Guest Speakers
For more information contact Sandy Wood at 216-857-7474
(Free, Open to Public)

FRI | FEB 27TH
THE CROWNING EVENT LUNCHEON
A SALUTE TO FORMER CONGRESSWOMAN
STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES
12PM, CITY HALL ROTUNDA
Special Guest Speakers
(Invitation Only)

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