

APOLLO

SAY IT LOUD! OPEN HOUSE WEEKEND

Saturday, February 6, 2016, 2-6 pm

In celebration of Black History Month, the Apollo's *Open House Weekend* will showcase the theater's consistent place within black advocacy.

ARTS & ACTIVISM AT THE APOLLO

Co-hosted by 107.5WBLS *Express Yourself's* **Imhotep Gary Byrd**, 107.5WBLS *Open Line's* **Bob Slade**, and the Apollo Theater's Tour Director **Billy Mitchell**. Music from InJoy Enterprises' **Supa DJ King James**. A day honoring legendary Apollo artists who championed black pride and social justice, with performances by rising stars of today who continue to carry the baton.

2:00pm

Introduction: Harlem Renaissance

- Arnold Pinnix as Marcus Garvey, courtesy of the National Action Network
- Nene Ali tribute to Helene Johnson

2:15pm

The Apollo from 1930s-1960s with:

- Film clips with introductions by Stuart Hudgins, courtesy of March on Washington Film Festival
- James Brown tribute by Chris Rob and friends, courtesy of InJoy Enterprises

3:30pm

The Apollo in the 1970s with:

- Film clips with introductions by Stuart Hudgins, courtesy of March on Washington Film Fest
- Performance by Mavis SWAN Poole

4:00 pm

The Apollo in the 1980s with:

- B.B King tribute by *Amateur Night's* King Solomon Hicks.

4:15pm

The Apollo from 1990s-2016 with:

- Kei Williams of Black Lives Matter NYC
- NeNe Ali
- Steff Reed, Apollo Teaching Artist
- Lynette Williams, courtesy of Harlem Arts Festival
- Mysonne, courtesy of Mallory Consulting
- Chris Rob & friends, courtesy of InJoy Enterprises

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Sunday, February 7, 2016, 2pm

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THE BLACK PANTHERS: VANGUARD OF THE REVOLUTION

The Apollo Theater, Firelight Media, *Independent Lens*, PBS and THIRTEEN present a free screening of *The Black Panthers: Vanguard of the Revolution*, the first feature-length documentary exploring the Black Panther Party, its significance to the broader American culture and to the cultural/political awakening of black people.

Screening to be followed by a panel discussion with director **Stanley Nelson**; former members of the **Black Panther Party Kathleen Cleaver, Ericka Huggins and David Lemieux**; journalist **Jamilah Lemieux** and activist **Dante Barry** and inspirational music by the **IMPACT Repertory Theatre Performance Company**.

Moderated by WNET's MetroFocus Producer and Host Rafael Pi Roman.

- 2:00pm Welcome by:
- Jonelle Procope, President and CEO of the Apollo Theater
 - Neal Shapiro, President & CEO of WNET
 - Tamara Gould, Senior Vice President, ITVS
- 2:20pm Screening: *The Black Panthers: Vanguard of the Revolution*
- 3:30pm Panel discussion
- 4:15pm Performance by the IMPACT Repertory Theatre Performance Company

***The film will premiere on *Independent Lens* on THIRTEEN Tuesday, February 16 at 9pm**

Program Partners:



Community Partners:

Black Lives Matter NYC | Community Works | Harlem Arts Festival | InJoy Enterprises | Mallory Consulting | March On Washington Film Festival | Million Hoodies Movement | New Heritage Theatre Group | National Action Network | New York City Department of Parks & Recreation | Nkiru Books | Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture | Walk Tall Girl Productions

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