



Powerful Lineup for State of Africatown 2018

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For Immediate Release:

The **5th annual State of Africatown: Team African American African Diaspora Gathering** promises to be a powerful and inspirational event that honors the past while highlighting current history makers with a focus on the future.

The event will be held on **Saturday, February 17th, 10am-1pm at Langston Hughes Performing Arts Institute** and will feature presentations on the accomplishments of the last year, as well as vision, opportunities, and challenges facing the African American and African Diaspora community in 2018 and beyond. On the the agenda includes State of Africatown, Induction of Elders of Distinction, showcase of our youth and presentation of issues and solutions in motion of significance to the community. Featured presenters include:

Dr. Marcia Tate Arunga - Libations

Tim Lennon - Langston

Elmer Dixon - 50th Anniversary of Seattle Black Panther Party

Andrea Caupain - Byrd Barr Place (formerly Centerstone/C.A.M.P.)

Carol Williams - Historic Central Area Arts & Cultural District

Multi Media Resource & Training Institute - Central District Stories

Sara Zewde Imagine Africatown: Designing Our Future

Feven Werede - Eritrean Community of Seattle And Vicinity

Dr. Ben Danielson - Odessa Brown Childrens Clinic

Andre Taylor - Not This Time/De-Escalate Washington

First Place Scholars - Showcase of Brilliance

Africatown Youth Ambassadors - State of Education

Chukundi Salisbury - Showing Up For Our Youth

Zam Zam - Voices of Tomorrow

Evelyn Allen - Black Community Impact Alliance

Debrena Jackson-Gandy - Elevate Movement Direct Impact Dollars Initiative

Anthony Stewart - Building Our Africatown Innovation Ecosystem

K. Wyking Garrett - State of Africatown

About The Annual African American African Gathering: State of Africatown

The African American African Gathering: State of Africatown began in 2014 as a listening opportunity for Seattle/King County elected officials and provides a unique opportunity to hear presentations on the accomplishments and challenges of the previous year, as well as vision, opportunities, and challenges facing the African American and African Diaspora community. On the the agenda includes State of

Africatown, Induction of Elders of Distinction, showcase of our youth and presentation of issues and solutions in motion of significance to the community. We expect 250 - 300 engaged community members and stakeholders to be our audience. Videos of previous years events can be seen here [2017](#), [2016](#), [2015](#).

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