
AFRICAN AMERICAN FILM FESTIVAL RETURNS TO LANGSTON HUGHES

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LANGSTON HUGHES AFRICAN-AMERICAN FILM FESTIVAL CELEBRATES 16TH YEAR OF PROVIDING A PLATFORM FOR BLACK FILMMAKERS AND THEIR STORIES... WITH THIS YEAR INCLUDING PERTINENT AND TIMELY FILMS RIPE FOR THE POLITICAL AND SOCIAL CLIMATE OF AMERICA



Honoring and keeping legacies alive is an honorable act and duty for those who hold the actions of their forebearers sacred. For 16 years now, The Langston Hughes African-American Film Festival has provided a unique and tremendous service, maintaining the memory and works of the great thinker and writer, Langston Hughes. The writers prolific works and following are to be admired and respected and with this years schedule at his namesakes festival, attendees can expect an engaging weekend of literature, composition and thought composed into film and discussion. This years LHAAFF is running April 25-28, 2019 at the Langston Seattle (104 17th Ave S., Seattle, WA 98144).

Stories showcasing filmmakers and producers from throughout the African Diaspora will allow the multidimensionality of the African, African-American, and Global African experience to be witnessed through the mind and eyes of more than 25 independent filmmakers. The 2019 festival celebrates the nuance of Black storytelling according to festival organizers. The films this year boast films that grapple with themes both potent and timely in the current political climate as well as stories of self-discovery and personal triumph.

The festival schedule is as follows:

Thursday April 25

6pm 9:30pm: Bites & Bubbly with short film screening

Friday April 26

4:30 7pm: Screening Block Women Empowered

8:30 10pm: Screening Block On The Beat

Saturday April 27

12 Noon 2pm: Screening Block Perseverance

2:30 3:30pm: Filmmakers Panel

4:30 7pm: Screening Block In The System

8 10:30pm: Screening Block College Try

Sunday April 28

3 5pm: Screening Block The Motherland

6 8:30pm: Festival Closing Night

Certainly a pivotal and necessary event for those who produce, consume and critique African-American, African and African Diaspora film, the Langston Hughes African-American Film Festival offers full festival passes for \$90 (access to all screenings) as well as individual screening rates of \$12 for adults, while youth (12 and under) and seniors (65 and over) are \$7. Tickets are available at www.brownpapertickets.com.