

AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY

JOIN THE WALKER AFRICAN-AMERICAN MUSEUM & RESEARCH CENTER ORGANIZERS IN MAKING HISTORY

By Gwen Walker

The founders and organizers of the Walker African-American Museum & Research Center are hosting the 1st Annual African-American Cultural Arts Festival to kickoff the fundraising efforts to build the million dollar museum in our community.

The festival will be held February 5th and 6th, Saturday and Sunday; 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. There are 140 booth spaces available on a first come basis; consisting of local businesses, churches, organizations, community service, city government, and individuals selling their wares or promoting their services. The site is the 4 vacant lots located at the corners of Jackson, "H", and Van Buren streets; 24 hour security will be



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provided and the site will be fenced in. A host of entertainment such as gospel singers, choirs, blues, jazz, drill teams, reggae, rap, poetry, griots, plays, R&B, comedy, African dance, a fashion show, and much, much more. Entertainers please call 643-5182 or 225-5504.

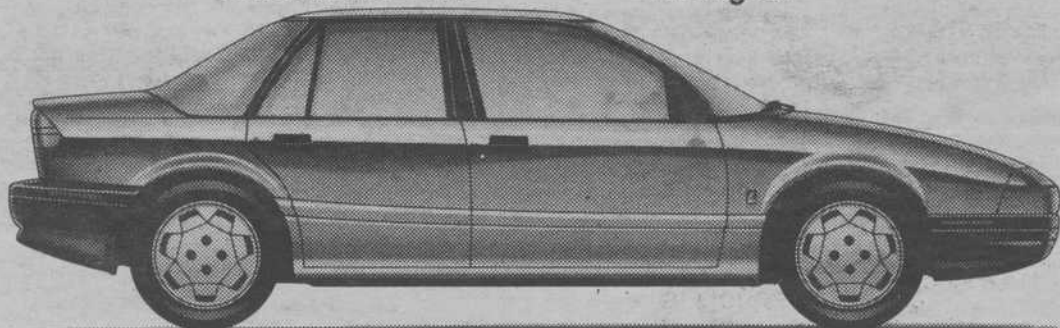
Out of town vendors are expected, so get your vendor application and fees in as soon as possible.

We hope that our doctors, lawyers, real state and lending officers, business professionals, teachers and politicians will get involved. Help us to build this beautiful facility to benefit the community. We must know where we come from in order to know where we are going.

For more information cal 647-2242, 649-2238, 642-8748 or 593-3305. We are a non-profit organization designed to preserve and promote the history of people of African decent.

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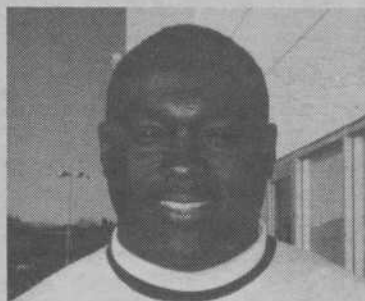


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The Sons of Slaves Are Insane

By C.I.A. Bub

Raised to believe a bold faced lie,
African blood is not pure
So it means nothing when we die..
My blood is spilled by my own people
And little remorse is felt,
We hardly react when death
By another race is dealt!!
You say slavery is behind us,
And can't we live, in a peaceful zone
Hell no:
Police brutality is a remainder; plus
The prisons look Black in color tone!!
When we loot, riot, shoot and kill,
You think sons of slaves are insane;
Yes, you sneaky little devils
But you have yourselves to blame.

All Praise Is Do To Allah The Young Prince

By Kamau Khalfani

The time has come for us to talk, it is time for you to begin
Life's walk.

You are about to go on a very long trip that will earn you
This earth's citizenship.

Yet as king I must warn you about the things that you will
See, about the ways of some men. . . Yes son even me.

You are prince but one day you will be king and sorrow plus
Joy will that day bring.

The little princess will also get closer as you begin to experience
Your changing emotions.

So treat them with Fairness and be kind to all, because
You must practice to become a man, you must always stand
Tall.

But don't you ever forget you are your best friend and don't
Be fooled by a plastic grin.

The road you travel will someday again pass this way and I
Shall ask Allah to guard your kingdom when
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