



Washington State Commission On

African American Affairs



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Upcoming: CAAA Public Commission Meeting: Saturday, May 11, 2019, 11 AM to 2 PM, Tri-Cities, WA. Location TBA

April 8, 2019

NOW YOU KNOW

Carl Gipson Everett City Councilman

A hard worker and very personable, Carl Gipson held various jobs; farmer, welder, but after World War II, Carl C. Gipson and his family were one of the first African American families to settle in Everett, Washington.

In the beginning, some difficulties ensued; African Americans were only allowed to purchase homes in one area of Everett. However, Gipson managed to purchase a home for his family in an all-white neighborhood and moved in despite threats to burn the house down. On the job, some employees objected working with him but came to their senses when they faced termination for their refusal. In the early 60's, Gipson went into business for himself - opening a popular tavern and restaurant named The Ebony. Then, at the suggestion of one of his customers, Gipson decided to run for Everett City Council. With his reputation, he won more than a third of the votes in the primary and became the first African American council member in November 1971.

Gipson served as Position 4 councilman for six terms - running unopposed. He worked to make city government accessible and the City of Everett a more livable community. If he could't promise his support on an issue, he'd give his advice on how to address it in a more favorable way. He also served as president of the Everett NAACP and also worked for Snohomish County managing a federal work program. In 1977, Gipson decided to run for mayor, but lost the primary by 67 votes. Retiring from the council in 1995, his son Ron ran and won the seat.

In December 2009, the Carl Gipson Senior Service Center was dedicated in his honor. Gipson frequently visits enjoying lunch and good company.

Sources:

[Blackpast.org](#); [CityofEverett.gov](#); [Historylink.org](#)



Beginning July 1, 2019, all businesses are required to have training before bidding and/or performing work on public works projects.

Coming Mid-to-late Spring, businesses will be able to access free, online training through their Prevailing Wage Intent and Affidavit portal. You will be able to take this training at your own pace at any time. Once completed, you will meet this new requirement. More information on this free training can be found on the [L&I Trades & Licensing webpage](#).

Who needs training?

If you are NOT on this list of exempt businesses, you are required to take this training before bidding and/or beginning work on public works projects on or after July 1, 2019.

Who's exempt?

You are exempt from this training requirement if you've been in business with an active Unified Business Identifier (UBI) number for 3 years or more years and have performed work on 2 or more public works projects.

Learn more about this [new requirement](#)



Spokane NAACP 100th Charter Anniversary!

The Spokane NAACP was chartered on April 14, 1919 with meetings initially held at Calvary Baptist Church

Join us to celebrate our 100th on Monday, April 15, 2019, 6:00 – 8:00 PM
Calvary Baptist Church
203 East Third Avenue, Spokane WA
Dinner Buffet provided

Featured Speaker:

Kiantha Duncan,

Program Officer, Empire Health Foundation

Spokane NAACP Member-at-Large
Entertainment: Power2thePoetry

JUSTICE NIGHT

Speak with an attorney. Free Consultations in these areas: LFOs (Legal Financial Obligations), Housing, Juvenile Law, Family Law, Seal/Expunge/Vacate Convictions, Police Accountability.
NO CRIMINAL LAW.

5:30 pm

Center for Justice

35 W Main, Spokane 99201

Cost: Free

Sponsored by Center for Justice. For more information call 509.835.5211 or www.cforjustice.org.

STAND AGAINST RACISM

eliminating racism
empowering women
ywca
SPOKANE

April 26

JOIN US

COURAGEOUS CONVERSATION: **No Hate. No Fear. Immigrant Justice is Racial Justice.**

LOCATION: **Philanthropy Center
1020 W Riverside Ave**

WHEN: **Friday, April 26th
11:30am - 1:00pm**

RSVP: **ywcaspokane.org/sar2019**

QUESTIONS: **509-789-9312
community@ywcaspokane.org**



26th annual

World Rhythm Festival

THE WORLD RHYTHM FESTIVAL

IS A FULL IMMERSION IN WORLD MUSIC, DRUM AND DANCE.

JOIN US FOR A FESTIVAL PACKED WITH AN AMAZING RANGE OF WORLD MUSIC TRADITIONS INCLUDING AFRICAN, MIDDLE-EASTERN, LATIN, INDIAN, BRAZILIAN, NORTH AMERICAN, AND MORE. WATCH TALENTED ARTISTS, LEARN FROM MASTERS, CONNECT WITH MANY VIBRANT COMMUNITIES AND CULTURES!



SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 11 AM
SEATTLE CENTER, SEATTLE, WA



11 AM - Seattle Center
305 Harrison St. Seattle, WA 98109
Info: www.swps.org



This April, LANGSTON will showcase stories from the African Diaspora through the lens of over 25 independent filmmakers in the 16th Annual Langston Hughes African American Film Festival (LHAAFF). The four-day event, hosted at **Langston Hughes Performing Arts Institute - 104 17th Ave. S, Seattle, WA** will run from Thursday, April 25th through Sunday, April 28th, kicking off with a screening of provocative short films by emerging talent. Don't miss the preeminent event for LANGSTON, an organization with a deep-rooted legacy as a hub of African American arts and culture in Seattle.
Info: www.langstonseattle.org or 206-323-7067

23rd Annual

AFRICAN AMERICAN GRADUATION CELEBRATION

Honoring African American graduates from K-12 schools, colleges and universities from Spokane and surrounding areas.

YOUNG, GIFTED AND BLACK



Sankofa Bird
It is not taboo to return to fetch
something which has been forgotten.

A Cultural Salute for Outstanding Academic Achievement

Saturday, April 27, 2019 ❖ 2:00pm
Gonzaga University – Hemmingson Ballroom
Spokane, Washington

The African American Graduation Celebration Committee

Don't miss the opportunity to attend the graduation of a lifetime. Sign up now for the 23rd Annual African American Graduation Ceremony. The ceremony will be held at Gonzaga University in the Hemmingson Ballroom (on the third floor) on Saturday, April 27th, at 2:00PM. Graduates will check in at 12:45PM. Those students registered and in attendance will receive a graduation stole representing the rich heritage of our identity.

Submit your application online at this [link](#) or contact aagradspokane@gmail.com.
Phone: 509-533-3546

70th Annual Nursing Scholarship Luncheon

Mary Mahoney Professional Nurses Organization cordially invites you to join us in honoring recipients at our 2019 70th Annual Nursing Scholarship Reception.

Please RSVP by April 13, 2019
(206) 632-2524

Attendance is free; donations gladly accepted

Saturday, April 27, 2019 1 PM- 3 PM
DoubleTree Suites
16500 Southcenter Pkwy
Seattle, WA 98188

Mary Mahoney Professional Nurses Organization cordially invites you to join us in honoring our recipients at our

2019 | 70th Annual Nursing Scholarship Luncheon

"Honoring 70 Years of Our Past: Transforming the Future of Health Care."

DoubleTree Suites by Hilton
16500 Southcenter Parkway
Seattle, WA 98188

Saturday, April 27, 2019
1 pm – 3 pm

Please RSVP by April 13, 2019

There is no cost to attend but donations are accepted



2019 Youth & Law Forum

Annual Charles V. Johnson Youth & Law Forum
(Seattle/King County)

Continuing its legacy of sharing practical information with youth and their guardians about navigating the justice system, the 2019 Charles V. Johnson Youth & Law Forum will take place
Saturday, April 27, 2019
First AME Church 1522 14th Ave. Seattle, WA 98122

Information will be exchanged in a safe and affirming environment for youth and adults and provides hands-on opportunities for forensics and discussions about some of the perils of social media. Youth will learn about their legal rights and responsibilities and the variety of law and justice careers. Free breakfast and lunch to be served - please register at www.youthandlaw.com/contact.html



Exhibitors & Vendors Needed

This free, family-friendly, multi cultural festival will feature kid's activities, food vendors, an entertainment stage, exhibitors sharing information about employment opportunities, health care access, financial and educational services, and a variety other vendors selling goods and services.

Flavor of Federal Way is brought to you by the Federal Way Diversity Commission and the City of Federal Way.

If you would like to be a performer, retail vendor, food vendor, resource/nonprofit vendor, or sponsor, please let us know! You can contact flavoroffederalway@gmail.com for more information. Applications available at <http://www.cityoffederalway.com/page/flavor-federal-way>

I DAY DREAM

INSPIRING YOUTH TO DREAM OUT LOUD.

Speed MENTORING

Saturday, May 25, 2019
1:30 - 5:00pm

COLLEGE READINESS | EMPOWERMENT | COLLABORATION

With Special Mentors from:



Curator of Cool



SPACE IS LIMITED

REGISTER TODAY AT:
<https://idaydreampresents-speedmentoring.eventbrite.com>

LUTHER'S TABLE



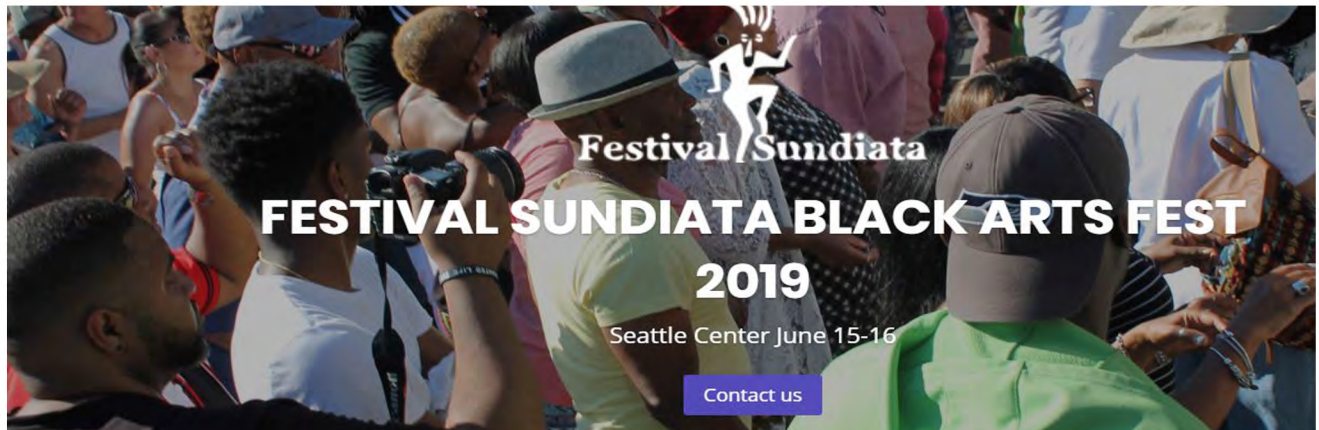
419 S 2nd St, #1, Renton, WA 98057

PosterMyWall.com

Bring your resume and dress to impress! Don't miss the chance to ask these business professionals about their route to success!

Find your passion, exert your ambition and be inspired! RSVP today!

When: Saturday, May 25, 2019
Time: 1:30 PM to 5:00 PM
Luther's Table
419 S. 2nd St. #1
Renton, WA 98057



Festival Sundiata Black Arts Fest 2019
June 15-16, 2019 - Seattle Center, Seattle, Washington
Open call: Artists, performers, vendors
Apply now

THE MELANIN MOVEMENT PRESENTS

Black WALL STREET

A POP UP FOR BLACK BUSINESSES
AND A NETWORKING MIXER FOR
BLACK PROFESSIONALS

MEET BLACK PROFESSIONALS IN YOUR AREA
COME SUPPORT BY SHOPPING WITH OUR VENDORS!

MAY 4TH 2019
FROM 1-5PM

LUTHER'S TABLE

419 S 2ND ST #1 RENTON WA 98057

ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!

Network, Mix, and Mingle with

SEATTLE'S FINEST CHEFS
PHOTOGRAPHERS
STYLISTS
MAKEUP ARTISTS
CLOTHING DESIGNERS
FINANCIAL ADVISORS

EDUCATORS
PERFORMERS
LEGAL ADVISORS
AUTHORS
THERAPISTS
EVENT PLANNERS
AND MORE!

FREE GIVE AWAYS!

FREE TO THE COMMUNITY!! FOOD AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

Black Wall Street

May 4, 2019

1 PM - 5 PM

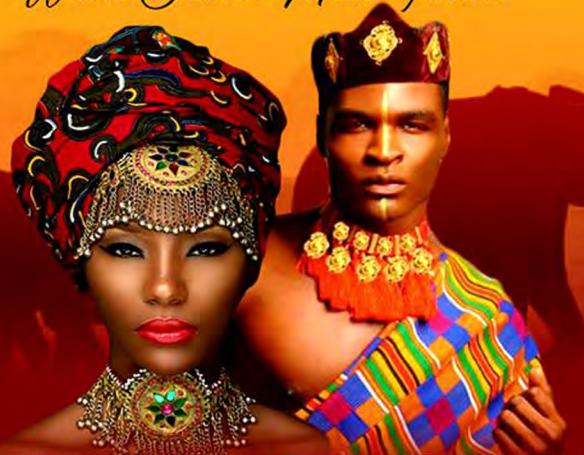
Black Wall Street is a networking event for black professionals, as well as a pop up shop with the intention of investing in black businesses in the Seattle area. The objective is to build community and familiarize ourselves with the resources available within them.

This will be a one stop shop to find black business owners in almost every profession you can think of within the Seattle area, from food, health, real estate, performing arts, legal matters and more! Similar to the original Black Wall Street, we will have the opportunity to stay within our own community to get the services we need.

Free to the community!

AFRICA FASHION WEEK SEATTLE

Where Culture Meets Fashion



**MODEL & DESIGNER
CASTING CALL**

MAY 4TH 2019 / 2PM TO 7PM

1980 152ND PL NE
BELLEVUE, WA 98007

FASHION SHOW

MAY 11TH 2019 / 6PM TO 12AM

RED LION HOTEL
11211 MAIN ST,
BELLEVUE, WA 98004



www.africafashionweekseattle.com

CONTACT US @ (206)779-6956 / (206) 327-7158

Designers (African, Caucasian or Asian) HIGHLY NEEDED!

Male and female models 12-40 years of age for The Africa Fashion Week Seattle.

Models – Amateur or Professional, Blacks, Asians or Caucasians looking to break into the culturally rich, and colorful glamorous world of African modeling this is the chance of a lifetime!

AUDITION ATTIRE: All Black Black jeans or leggings, black top and black heels.

Call (206) 779-6956 for more info

EMPLOYMENT/CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

WASHINGTON STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

Assistant Attorney General – Torts Division, Olympia. Closes 4/10/2019

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

Explore state-wide career options with DSHS! Many career types available.

Project Director, Aging & Long-Term Support Administration, Lacey, WA. Closing 4/9/2019

Field Services Curriculum & Training Program Manager, Lacey, WA. Closing 4/14/2019

Attendant Counselor Manager, Lynnwood, WA. Closing 4/21/2019

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maintenance Technician 2 in-training, Wenatchee. Open until filled

Procurement, Financial & Admin Services Manager NW Region, Shoreline, WA. Closing 4/12/2019

Bridge & Striping Maintenance Supervisor, Union Gap, WA. Closing 4/15/2019

Traffic Safety Systems Operator 3 In-training, Part-time, Spokane, WA. Closing 4/22/2019

WASHINGTON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT COUNCIL

Program Coordinator, - Workforce Programs, Olympia, WA. Closing 4/10/2019

Program Manager - Health Workforce Programs, Olympia, WA. Open continuous.

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS Jobs

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES Jobs

WASHINGTON STATE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DEPARTMENT Jobs

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING Jobs

WASHINGTON STATE MILITARY DEPARTMENT Jobs

CITY OF TACOMA OPENINGS

CITY OF SEATTLE OPENINGS

CITY OF SPOKANE OPENINGS

CITY OF VANCOUVER OPENINGS

COMMUNITY YOUTH SERVICES OPENINGS

BATES TECHNICAL COLLEGE

SOUTH PUGET SOUND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

CLARK COLLEGE

TACOMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

COMMUNITY COLLEGES OF SPOKANE

OLYMPIC COLLEGE

ACLU WASHINGTON

Community Relations Director. Open until filled

Youth Policy Counsel. Open until filled

KXXO Mixx 96.1 Radio

Inside Sales Executive (Part-time), Olympia, WA. Open until filled



The U.S. Census Bureau is hiring for the 2020 U.S. Census. Applications are being accepted now!

Create an account and submit your application. Incomplete or applications without the assessment or supplemental information will not be processed.

Go to www.census.gov/fieldjobs to apply for jobs in your area. Positions begin at \$18.00 per hour.