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Pictured: Muntu Dance Theatre of Chicago

## AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH PROGRAMS COMING TO SOUTH SUBURBAN COLLEGE

SOUTH HOLLAND, IL – South Suburban College's Office of Student Life & Leadership presents four programs open to the public at no charge in honor of African American History Month.

Poetry Slam and Open Mike w/Jus Words

Date: Wednesday, February 8, 2017

Time: 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Place: SSC Cafeteria

SSC welcomes Chicago Author, Songwriter, Street Poet and Spoken Word Artist Bwana "Jus Words" Phillips. Transitioning from being a member of the "Four Corner Hustler" organization to a unique writer, Jus Words took his interest of the gangs and streets and combined his writing skills to create lyrical storylines. Most of his story lines focus on the rugged realities of the blocks in Englewood and Roseland Communities.

African American History 101 for Everyone

Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2017

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.

Place: Kindig Performing Arts Center

This is one presentation you will not want to miss! Retired SSC History Professor Art Burton will share with you some unknown facts about African American History that you should know but probably never heard of. You will be entertained, educated and fascinated as he gives you exciting true facts about the Africa American experience

beginning with Mother Africa (the cradle of civilization) to our present. Mr. Burton is the author of three award-winning books and is a highly regarded African American history consultant and lecturer.

How to Feel Good About Yourself Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2017

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

**Place: Kindig Performing Arts Center** 

If you like feeling good (and who doesn't) then this event is for you. Poetry is Yusef's first love, but "How to Feel Good about Yourself," a self-empowerment manual, is his current pride and joy. Yusef writes what he feels; he hopes you feel what he writes. Yusef Ali El was born in Chicago and grew up in Pembroke Township, Illinois. He received his B.A. from the University of New Hampshire and a Masters in Literature from Governors State University. He has published five books in the last three years. Please join us for this exciting presentation.

Muntu Dance Theatre of Chicago

Tuesday, February 28, 2017 Time: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**Place: Kindig Performing Arts Center** 

Students, Faculty and Staff are invited to a musical concert and cultural immersion featuring the Muntu Dance Theatre of Chicago. Founded in 1972, the Chicago-based Muntu Dance Theatre performs authentic and progressive interpretations of contemporary and ancient African and African American dance, music and folklore. Immediately following the performance, participants will be given tickets to join us for a "Taste of Soul" in the Kindig Performing Arts Center Lobby.

For more information on these events, please contact Corrie Gray of Student Programming, at (708) 596-2000, ext. 2499. South Suburban College is located at 15800 South State Street, South Holland, Illinois.

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