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ABOUT US

KAA-MaCC's mission is to collect and preserve history and culture of African-Americans in Cabarrus and Rowan County, North Carolina. We achieve historical preservation and cultural enrichment by inspiring, educating and enriching communities through innovative diverse activities, experiential education and interactive presentations to enhance quality of life. Since its inception, KAA-MaCC has established partnerships with the local public, private and faith communities.

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RISE UP - GET INVOLVED

KAA- MaCC History Collection



SUPPORT OUR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

History Collection Initiative Campaign (HCIC)

KAA-MaCC launched the History Collection Initiative Campaign in December 2018 to promote local history collection for youth education. The HCIC Fund drive is designed to reach a goal of \$50,000 or more through the generous gift of \$500+ from 100 hundred individuals to support youth education. Funding from the HCIC will be used to hire staff (a history collections program coordinator and researcher), exhibit development, marketing, and community outreach.

KAA-MaCC is creating public programming to allow youth to learn from community memories and share their perspectives on what a historical story means to them. We seek to capture viewpoints of youth to tell stories using historical sources, read historical works, and visit repositories to discover information about the African-American family in our area.



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*Serving * Engaging *
Enriching Community!*

Junior History Detectives Program
Focus Group activities begun with 7th and 8th grade students at Kannapolis Middle School. The activity sought to find out what students liked or did not like by presenting images of what Junior History Detectives do (i.e., digital storytelling, historical inquiry, research, create story boards, analysing objects, identifying sources, determining significance).

The activity was facilitated by Danette M. Glass, First Team America (Atlanta, Georgia) with the assistance of two college interns. After the session, the interns traveled to Greensboro, NC for a (co-sponsored by KAA-MaCC) pilot trip to the Civil Rights Museum.

6TH ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND

KAA-MaCC'S 6TH ANNIVERSARY GALA SOARED TO NEW HEIGHTS

On October 11 and 12, 2019, the Kannapolis African-American Museum and Cultural Center, Inc., (KAA-MaCC) celebrated its Sixth Anniversary with two separate events. On Friday, October 11, there was a Community Reception and Fundraiser from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Laureate Center, 401 Laureate Way, in Kannapolis. The Honorable Cheri Beasley, Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court, was the special guest at this by-invitation-only event. Among other topics, Justice Beasley spoke about the need for helping students to read and for reading to students in an effort to help improve their reading and comprehension skills. She further stated that educational programs like the ones sponsored by KAA-MaCC serve the community well when it serves the educational and cultural needs of its children. Justice Beasley herself shared that she used to read to students before her present role as Chief Justice. KAA-MaCC presented the Chief Justice with a certificate, naming a reading room after her when the organization is in its facility. The emcee for this event was Dr. Cheryl Butler Brayboy, a member of the WBTW News 3 team, particularly the co-host of QC@3, WBTW News 3 lifestyle show. Other program participants included Kannapolis Mayor M. Darrell Hinnant and Dr. Donald Gray, pastor of Mt. Sinai Baptist Church in Catawba, North Carolina. Also, Rev. Dr. Dwight B. Cannon, Executive Director of the Department of Global Missions and Editor of the Missionary Seer of The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, made the financial appeal in support of KAA-MaCC. Certificates of Recognition were presented to KAA-MaCC partners (Cabarrus County Public Library, Concord and Kannapolis Branches, Kannapolis City Schools and Historic Cabarrus/The Concord Museum) for contributions and dedication to KAA-MaCC educational programs and cultural events. Students from A.L. Brown High School, Cayla Withers and Jordan Ackerman, and Northwest Cabarrus High School, Luke Linkel, also participated.

Then, on Saturday, October 12, the Annual Gala Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony also took place at the Laureate Center. This event began at 3:30 p.m. with a reception and silent auction, followed by the induction ceremony at 5:00 p.m. The honorees included Mrs. Shirley O. Bridges Gallimore of Brooklyn, New York; the late Mr. William Timothy "Jimmy" Murphy; the late Mrs. Wilma Steepleton Lindsay; and the late Dr. Katie Geneva Cannon. Mrs. Shirley Gallimore, daughter of the late Boyce and Emma Bridges, became one of the first African-Americans to be allowed to seek a bachelor's degree as a registered nurse. Her family and friends were able to join her at this celebration. Mr. William "Jimmy" Murphy, known as "Mr. Christmas," was well-known for his annual free Christmas dinners and toy giveaways. For more than 50 years, Mrs. Wilma Lindsey was the face of education for many pre-Carver students who attended the Mt. Calvary Lutheran School in Kannapolis. Dr. Katie Cannon, who was the voice of feminism and African-American social ethics, was the first African-American woman ordained in the United Presbyterian Church (USA).

The emcee for this program was the Honorable Al Heggins, Mayor of Salisbury, North Carolina. Other program participants included Rev. Clarence J. Shuford, Jr., pastor of Sandy Ridge A.M.E. Zion Church in Landis, North Carolina, and Kannapolis City Council member Tom Kincaid. Musical selections were rendered by Gene Clout, a music artist from Atlanta, Georgia.



SUPPORT OUR CULTURAL EVENTS

On-Track with KAA-MaCC Cultural Events

KAA-MaCC's commitment to community outreach was open to the public at the Kannapolis Train Station. From April to August, 2019, the following activities were implemented: On-Track Community Focus Group for Adults (April); An African-American Experience with Stamps by Dr. Mary A. Love (May); Black History presents African-Americans in the Military (June); Community Film Screening & Discussion of "Resilience" (August); Launch-Community Speaker Series (October); and a holiday gathering for Kannapolis City Schools students, grades 3-5 at the "A Merry Christmas Party" (December) at The Laureate Center in Kannapolis.



SOMETHING NEW: DMS BY NFG

KAA-MaCC is utilizing new Donor Management Software by Network for Good (NFG), a hybrid organization (nonprofit owned for-profit). NFG's nonprofit donor-advised fund uses the Internet and mobile technology. NFG works with nonprofits to provide information essential for donor stewardship. NFG embeds their deep understanding of fundraising best practices, technology, and donor trends into their cloud-based software and training to make small and mid-size nonprofits better fundraisers for bigger impact. Since 2001, NFG processed over \$2.54 billion in donations for 300,000+ nonprofits.

FORMING PARTNERSHIPS

Forming partnerships are essential for any organization, especially nonprofits. Smaller nonprofits can learn from each other to solve problems in their own community. When we build nonprofit partnerships, our organizations, sponsors, donors, volunteers, and audience unite in pursuit of a common goal.

KAA-MaCC is moving forward developing partnerships with the Cabarrus County Public Library System (Concord and Kannapolis Branches); the Kannapolis City Schools System; the Historic Cabarrus/Concord Museum; Editions Bookstore & Coffee Shop; and the City of Kannapolis Parks & Recreation.

SHARING CAB-ROW STORIES NEEDED

Do you have a fond memory of growing up in Cabarrus and/or Rowan County (CabRow)? A favorite place? Artifacts of times past? Please share them with KAA-MaCC!

As part of the History Collection Initiative Campaign, the Black History Series includes small history that is not included in the large history covered in textbooks. KAA-MaCC is in need of your story to include in the "Sharing CabRow Stories" that are available for reading on our website (www.kaa-macc.org).

Stories may be edited for length or clarity and will be posted as space permits. Not all stories will be posted. You may choose to share your story without having it considered for posting.

You can download the fillable-PDF Submission Form that is available on the KAA-MaCC website at <https://www.kaa-macc.org/history-collection-initiative.html>.

Forward Submissions to via the USPS: KAA-MaCC, Inc., Post Office Box 494, Kannapolis, NC 28082-0494. Emailing submissions are also welcomed and should be forwarded info@kaamacc.org.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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SHOW YOUR SUPPORT: DONATE

We appreciate your interest and support of the Kannapolis African-American Museum and Cultural Center, Inc. (KAA-MaCC). KAA-MaCC relies heavily on donations from individuals, foundations, and corporations. Your continued financial support keeps our doors open!

Your donation supports us to showcase the wealth of contributions of African-American art, culture, and history to Cabarrus and Rowan County.

There are five ways to donate to KAA-MaCC: Direct Mail, Text to Donate, Online Donation, Amazon Smile, and Donation over \$250.

Details are available online at www.kaa-macc.org/donate.html and/or contact the KAA-MaCC Administrative Office by email (info@kaamacc.org) or telephone (704.925.1314).