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Upcoming Events



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Friday, October 30 | 6:00 PM I Was Born Black, I Live Black, and I'ma Die Probably Because I'm Black Featuring Performance By de'Angelo Dia

Ages: 18+ Location: 100 East Stonewall Street, Uptown Charlotte Cost: Free with RSVP

IMPORTANT NOTE: This event takes place at Skyline Artists in Residence (former Goodyear building), 100 East Stonewall Street, Uptown Charlotte.

Performance starts at 7:00 PM

I Was Born Black, I Live Black, and I'ma Die Probably Because I'm Black is a performance by artist and educator de'Angelo Dia exploring the universal struggle for liberation, particularly in the case of Black social inequality. The title of the performance comes from a phrase in the 1969 novel The Spook Who Sat by the Door by Sam Greenlee and the Negritude literary movement. The Negritude literary movement was developed by francophone Black intellectuals, writers, and politicians in the 1930s as a means of protesting the social policy of assimilation.

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To learn more about de'Angelo Dia, please visit <u>www.dia1518.com</u>.

Sunday, November 8 | 2:00 PM The Classic International Black Cinema Series – Sugar Cane Alley

Ages: 18+ Cost: Free with museum admission

Sugar Cane Alley (French title: La Rue Cases-Nègres) is a 1983 film directed by Euzhan Palcy. It is set in Martinique in the 1930s, where blacks working sugarcane fields were still treated harshly by the white ruling class. It is based on a semi-autobiographical



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novel by Joseph Zobel of the same name, or, alternatively titled Black Shack Alley.

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Sunday, November 15 | 3:00 PM Gantt Center Book Club - The Portable Promised Land

Cost: Free

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This inspired collection of stories is cause for celebration. With stunning language and dazzling characters, Toure introduces Soul City - a wholly imagined utopia where magic happens and black is beautiful.

Author: Toure

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Current Exhibitions





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Currently Exhibiting I'm Walkin' For My Freedom: The Selma March And Voting Rights

I'm Walkin' For My Freedom: The Selma March And Voting Rights is an exhibition by photojournalist Matt Herron. Herron captured moments of the march as the protesters traveled across Alabama. Based in Mississippi in the early 1960's, Herron covered the Civil Rights struggle for *Life* Magazine, Look Magazine, Time Magazine, Newsweek Magazine, and the Saturday Evening Post. He also provided photographs and support for the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC).

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Currently Exhibiting Charlotte Collects Elizabeth Catlett: A Centennial Celebration

Charlotte Collects Elizabeth Catlett: A Centennial Celebration is a centennial commemoration of Elizabeth Catlett's life and work. The exhibition will include examples of her two-dimensional and three-dimensional works, as well as photographs of Catlett throughout her life. The narrative will also highlight the show coming from, and reflecting, Charlotteans' appreciation and collection of her work.

Currently Exhibiting AfriCOBRA Now: An Aesthetic



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This exhibition consists of two parts, *AfriCOBRA: Art for the People* and *AfriCOBRA Now!* The first section contains work from various *AfriCOBRA* members who joined in 1968 — when the group was founded in Chicago — to year 2000. AfriCOBRA's membership changed from the founding participants who exhibited at the Studio Museum in 1970 to a different membership after Jeff Donaldson moved to Washington, DC in 1972. A third wave of membership began in 1979-1980.

Reflection

AfriCOBRA Now! looks at work by the current membership formed after co-founder Jeff Donaldson died in 2004. This exhibition reveals the shifting aesthetic of the influential group over their 40-plus year existence.

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January 22, 2016 - June 26, 2016 Dance Theatre of Harlem: 40 Years of Firsts

Showcasing January 22 - June 26, 2016, this majestic exhibition of dazzling costumes, set pieces, and video excerpts celebrates an iconic company and its corps who defied prejudice, and gravity itself, in pursuit of their talent. In the process, the company made history and shattered barriers for future generations of aspiring performers. Dance Theatre of Harlem is a celebration of courage, and of the magic and uplifting power of the performing arts.



For more information on the Dance Theatre of Harlem performance January 22-24, 2016, <u>click here</u>.

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Join Today Next Generation Gantt Launch Event

On Wednesday, October 21 the Gantt Center launched Next Generation Gantt (NGG), its young professional's society. It was a great evening! We sincerely thank the NGG Steering Committee members for their hard work in making this event a success! This evening would not have been possible without their support. Thank you to those who joined NGG at the Launch. Remember anyone who joins from October-December 2015 will have the honor of being recognized as an NGG Founding Member and enjoy all other NGG and Gantt Center membership benefits.



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Join Now!

By becoming a member of the Gantt Center and NGG, you are helping to build a better Charlotte by engaging the community in conversation,

networking, special events and exhibits. Your support and contributions will help us to continue to provide important funding for programs that enrich the lives of residents in our community. To become a member, click the donate button below. Please use the designation drop down menu to select "Individual" and then type Next Generation Gantt in the comment field. The cost to join NGG is \$50 in addition to your Gantt Center membership. The add-on fee is waived for contributions of \$500 or more. Visit www.ganttcenter.org/donate/.

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Exciting Child-Friendly Shows Blumenthal Performing Arts Offering Two Exciting Child-Friendly Shows In November!



Alvin and The Chipmunks: The Musical will be coming to the Belk Theater on November 9 at 7:00 PM.

MOMIX Botanica will be coming to the Knight Theater on November 19 – 20. (Please see the link below for specific show times.)

Don't miss out on the Kids Night offer (child free with paying adult on price zone 10). The links to the offers are as follows:

Tickets: Buy Alvin and The Chipmunks: The Musical Tickets

Tickets: Buy MOMIX Botanica Tickets

For more information on what's

happening @ the Gantt, visit our <u>website</u> calendar page.

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