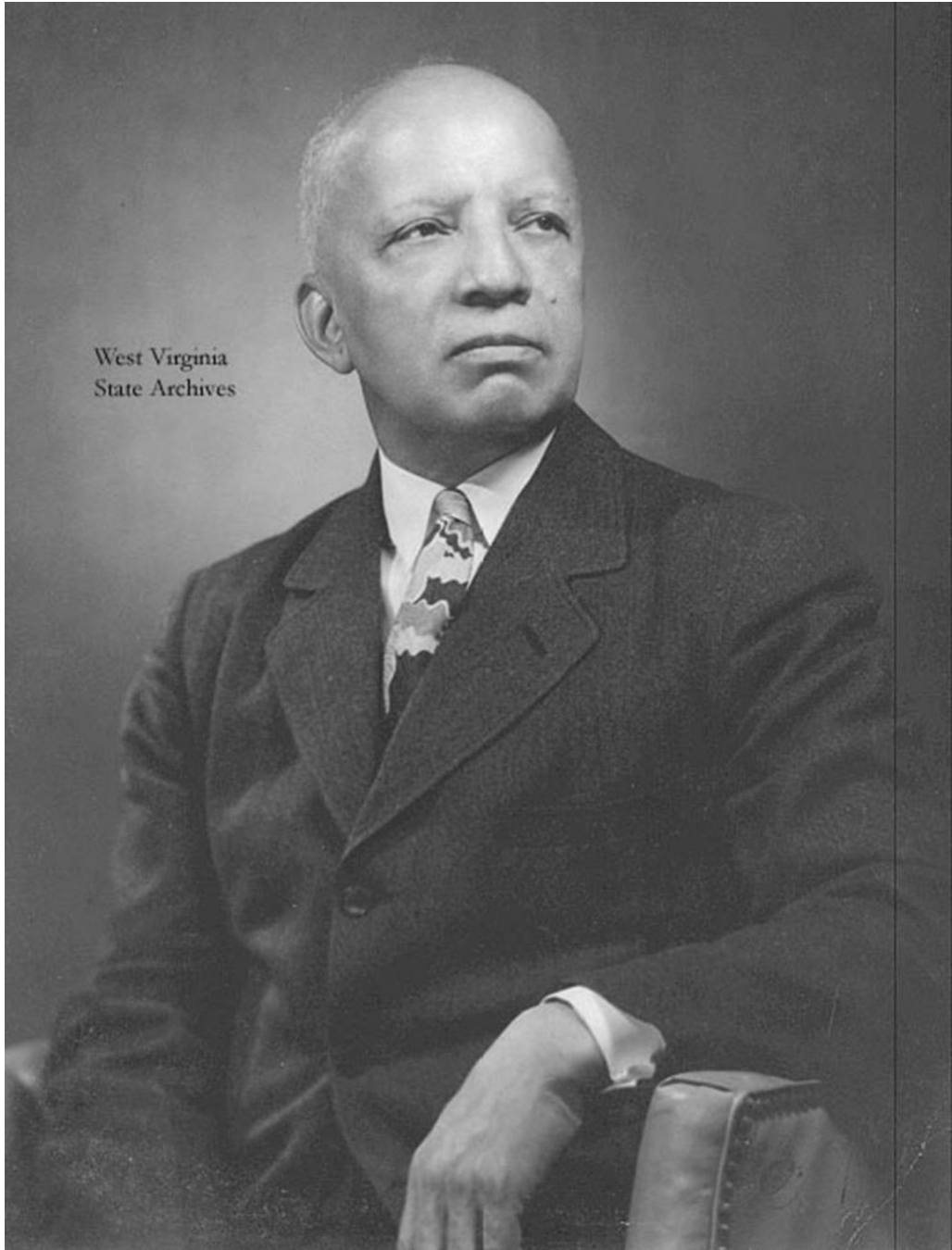


Welcome to The Dr. Carter G. Woodson Lyceum
Charles W. and Norma C. Carroll Gallery
Marshall University Visual Art Center

February 1, 2021



Link to this virtual event: <https://tinyurl.com/lyceum2121>

Program

Dr. Carter G. Woodson Day

4 p.m. February 1, 2021

The Occasion

Professor Burnis R. Morris, Director, The Dr. Carter G. Woodson Lyceum

Welcome

Dr. Jerome Gilbert, President, Marshall University

Remarks

- Professor Burnis Morris, Director, The Dr. Carter G. Woodson Lyceum
- Ms. Sylvia Cyrus, Executive Director, Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH)
- The Honorable Steve Williams, Mayor, Huntington, West Virginia

Dr. Carter G. Woodson Portrait

- Dr. Wendell Dobbs, Interim Dean, College of Arts and Media
Introduction of Artist Sassa Wilkes; Publisher Jack Houvouras, *Huntington Quarterly*; and winning entries in the 2021 Black History Poster Competition

Reactions

- Professor Burnis Morris, Director, The Dr. Carter G. Woodson Lyceum
Discussions/responses to the Woodson portrait, magazine cover and posters from a cross-section of the Marshall University/Huntington community:
 - Respondents -- **Ms. Sylvia Cyrus**, Executive Director, ASALH; Dr. **Jerome Gilbert**, President, Marshall University; Ms. **Ursulette Ward**, Secretary, Tri-State Branch, ASALH; the Honorable **Steve Williams**, Mayor, Huntington, West Virginia; Mr. **Ryan Saxe**, Superintendent, Cabell County Schools; Professor **Janet Dooley**, Director, W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications; Dr. **Montserrat Miller**, Executive Director, Drinko Academy; Ms. **Robin Craighead**, Teacher, Barboursville Middle School; Mr. **Corey Cunningham**, Member, Omega Psi Phi and Coordinator, Fraternity and Sorority Life; Mr. **Joe Geiger**, Director, West Virginia State Archives and History

Proclamation: Dr. Carter G. Woodson Day

The Honorable Steve Williams, Mayor, Huntington, West Virginia.

Closing

Professor Burnis Morris, Director, The Dr. Carter G. Woodson Lyceum

Shout-outs

The Woodson Lyceum expresses deep appreciation and gratitude to Director Jamie Platt and the Charles W. and Norma C. Carroll Gallery as gracious hosts of this event and to two IT staffers, Messrs. Eric Himes and Ryan Vance, for all they do in support of 2021 Black History Month events.

Please Join The Woodson Lyceum at These 2021 Black History Month Events

- 4 p.m. Feb. 3 – Presentation by Angela Dodson, a member of Marshall’s Journalism Hall of Fame and the first Black journalist to edit a section of The New York Times. She will read from her book, “Remember the Ladies,” and discuss her lifelong ties to Huntington. Three copies of Ms. Dodson’s book will be given away during the program Dr. Gayle Brazeau, dean of the School of Pharmacy and donor of the books, will read her favorite Maya Angelou poem. The School of Pharmacy is co-sponsoring this event, courtesy of Gayle and Daniel Brazeau. Also, co-sponsoring is Huntington Tri-State Branch, Association for the Study of African American Life and History. Link to this virtual event: <https://tinyurl.com/lyceum2321>
- 4 p.m. Feb. 10 – “Disparities in Health Care During the Pandemic,” with Jill Upson, chair of the West Virginia COVID-19 Advisory Commission on African American Disparities and executive director of the Herbert Henderson Office of Minority Affairs; Dr. Joseph Shapiro, dean of Marshall University’s Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine; Dr. Lauri Andress, West Virginia University School of Public Health; Dr. Leonard White, Marshall University’s Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine. Dr. Andress will discuss infant mortality disparities in West Virginia, Dr. White will urge African Americans to get the vaccine, and Huntington Mayor Steve Williams will give remarks about how Dr. White saved his life. Co-sponsor – Huntington Tri-State Branch, Association for the Study of African American Life and History. Link to this virtual event: <https://tinyurl.com/lyceum21021>
- 6 p.m. Feb. 26 – Winners of the Annual Black History Month Essay Competition will be announced during a program co-sponsored by The National PanHellenic Council on behalf of the Office of Fraternity & Sorority Life, the Psi Beta Beta Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. and The Dr. Carter G. Woodson Lyceum. The link to the event will be available *soon* on the NPHC Herdlink Page <https://herdlink.marshall.edu/organization/nphc>. For additional information, contact Cunningha189@marshall.edu.
- June 19-23 – With funding from West Virginia Humanities Council, The Dr. Carter G. Woodson Lyceum is offering a Black History Institute for all K-12 teachers, especially those who teach art, English, literature, history and social studies. Teachers selected for the program will receive \$500 stipends, and they may receive three graduate professional development credits with paid tuition. This is The Lyceum’s fourth institute since 2017. Deadline: by 5 p.m. March 31, 2021. Contact Professor Burnis Morris, morrisb@marshall.edu, or apply online at https://marshall.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1FTTHmaZiBcSW2O

About Black History Month

Dr. Carter G. Woodson (Dec. 19, 1875-April 3, 1950), the Father of Black History, said the turning point in his career was his West Virginia years, a period that included graduation from Huntington’s Douglass School, service as its principal and work as a coal miner. Dr. Woodson founded the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History (now, ASALH) in 1915, launching the Black History Movement. He created the first “Negro History Week” Feb. 6-12, 1926, and his followers expanded it to a month 50 years later. Dr. Woodson advocated the study

of Black History throughout the year, but disrespect for people of African descent was rampant, and only a week was possible during his day. However, his writings (and those of his associates) clearly indicate he advocated the study of Black History throughout the year.

About The Dr. Carter G. Woodson Lyceum

The Woodson Lyceum at Marshall University was created in 2016. It takes its name from Aristotle's first school, which was called a lyceum, but the name also is closely associated with justice and freedom for African Americans and the press. For instance, during a speech at a lyceum in Springfield, Illinois, Abraham Lincoln attacked vigilantes for murder of abolitionist editor Elijah Lovejoy, and crusading journalist Ida B. Wells brought attention to injustice at a Memphis lyceum and through that lyceum's newspaper. The name lyceum also is associated with a major civil rights victory at the University of Mississippi Lyceum, where rioters in 1962 stormed the building but failed to prevent the registration of James Meredith, the university's first Black student. At Marshall University, The Woodson Lyceum, a collaboration between Drinko Academy and the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications, is a Woodson-inspired forum on black history and education and provides support for a free press – all, of course, throughout the year. Since its inception, The Woodson Lyceum has produced programs involving Dr. Earl Lewis, who was president of the Mellon Foundation, Dr. Carla Hayden, the librarian of Congress and the 400-year anniversary and significance of Jamestown. The Woodson Lyceum also has sponsored programs featuring Dr. Evelyn Brooks Higginbotham, the first African American to chair the Department of History at Harvard, and trained West Virginia teachers in Black History instruction despite the coronavirus pandemic. The Lyceum concluded 2020 with a presentation by the U.S. surgeon general, Jerome Adams.

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(Please support the work of The Woodson Lyceum. Visit: [Maple Grove Society - The Dr. Carter G. Woodson Lyceum \(marshall.edu\)](https://www.marshall.edu/maple-grove-society-the-dr-carter-g-woodson-lyceum))