2020 BLACK HISTORY CELEBRATION AT THE NEWARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

The 2020 Black History Celebration exhibit and program series explore the role and status of the Black athlete as activist since the mid-19th century.

EXHIBITION:

The Black Athlete in America – Protest, Activism and Inclusion
February 4th through April 30th, 2020 | Second Floor Gallery
Curator: Dale E. Colston, Esq., Librarian, James Brown African American Room, Newark Public Library

The exhibition is open during normal Library hours Monday through Saturday, free admission.

For more details on the 2020 Black History Celebration, please visit npl.org/2020BHC

BLACK HISTORY CELEBRATION OPENING

Tuesday, February 4, 2020 | 6:00 – 8:00 PM
Doors open at 5:30, Snow date: February 5, 2020
James Brown African American Room, 2nd Floor

The Library welcomes George D. Martin, Activist/Philanthropist and Former Defensive End for the NY Giants as our opening celebration speaker. The Black History Celebration Exhibit opens as well.

PUBLIC PROGRAMS

6TH ANNUAL #BLACKLIVESMATTER – NEWARK PANEL DISCUSSION ON SPORTS & ACTIVISM

Thursday, February 13, 2020 | 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM (Doors open 5:30)
James Brown African American Room, 2nd Floor

Featuring local Coaches and Community Activists Shawn McCray and Vanessa Watson; Douglas Freeman, Founder, Weequahic Park Sports Authority; Tommy Garrett, Tennis Instructor; CC Minton, President, Board at Stevenson & Moses Boxing for Life Foundation (Moderator).

A CONVERSATION ABOUT SPORTS AND COMMUNITY ACTIVISM

Saturday, February 22, 2020 | 2:00-4:30 PM
James Brown African American Room, 2nd Floor

Panelists: Robyn Moses Co-Founder, Stevenson Moses Boxing for Life Corp. (SMBLC), Coach Dirt, Boxer Carina Casqueira, SMBLC Board President Cecelia "CC" Minton, and a guest appearance via **Skype** from 2016 Olympic Silver Medalist and WBO Featherweight Champion Shakur Stevenson.

"BEST SHOT" SCREENING

Saturday, February 29, 2020 | 12-5 PM
James Brown African American Room, 2nd Floor

Screening two episodes of Best Shot, a YouTube docu-series produced by LeBron James. Hosted by Central H.S. Coach Shawn McCray (who is featured in the series) and a discussion with some of his former players

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PNC Foundation is proud to support the Newark Public Library's Black History Celebration exhibition and public programs.