

MEET PEARL CLEAGE

WINNER OF THE 2010



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Saturday, Feb. 13
10 a.m.

Rudisill Regional Library
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Pearl Cleage, renowned writer, essayist and playwright, and NAACP Image Award winner, will receive the 2010 Sankofa Freedom Award, which consists of a \$5,000 cash prize and an engraved plaque. The award is given every other year during Black History Month to a nationally acclaimed African-American whose life's work addresses the complexity of cultural, political and economic issues affecting the African-American community.

Cleage will talk about civil rights, women's issues, AIDS, African-American family matters, self-image, creative writing, political activism and the African Diaspora, among other topics.

Theatre North will present scenes from Cleage's play "A Song for Coretta" prior to Cleage's address.

Cleage is the author of "Seen It All and Done the Rest," "Baby Brother's Blues," "We Speak Your Names," "Babylon Sisters," "Some Things I Never Thought I'd Do," "I Wish I Had a Red Dress," "What Looks Like Crazy on an Ordinary Day" and other books. Her plays include "A Song for Coretta," "Flyin' West," "Blues for an Alabama Sky," "Bourbon at the Border," "Late Bus to Mecca," "Chain" and "The Love Project." Her newest book, "Till You Hear From Me," is due out in April.

Copies of her works will be available for purchasing. She will sign books following the presentation. For more information on Cleage, visit www.apbspeakers.com.



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