



Tulsa events to recognize Black History Month

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Albert Woodfox, who was one of the "Angola Three," signs a poster of the movie"Black Panthers: Vanguard of the Revolution" at the Ashe Cultural Arts Center in New Orleans in 2016. The documentary will be screened Monday. Feb. 5. a

NEXT UP Best bets: Monday, Feb. 5 Friday Tulsa has several special events and performances that recognize Black History Month.

Here are some events that you can put on your calendar.

Performances

'Freedom Train'

7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2

Tulsa PAC, 110 E. Second St.

Presented by the Tulsa PAC Trust, "Freedom Train" tells the thrilling story of Harriet Tubman, the Moses of her people, in a fascinating series of highly theatrical scenes that use dance, dialogue and music of the period. Songs include "Follow the Drinking Gourd," "Steal Away," "Wade in the Water," "Good News, the Chariot's A-comin'," and many others still sung today. "Freedom Train" is the story of self-sacrifice, dedication and survival, laced with warmth and a sense of humor that celebrates the human spirit — a universal story for all.

'Seven Guitars'

8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, and Feb. 10; 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11

Tulsa PAC, 110 E. Second St.

The sixth in August Wilson's decade-by-decade exploration of the black experience in America, two of which have won Pulitzer Prizes, "Seven Guitars" is part bawdy comedy, part dark elegy and part mystery. In the backyard of a Pittsburgh tenement in 1948, friends gather to mourn for a blues guitarist and singer who died just as his career was on the verge of taking off. The action that follows is a flashback to the busy week leading up to Floyd's sudden and unnatural death. Presented by Theatre North.

'Oklahoma!'

Friday, March 30

Gilcrease Museum, 1400 North Gilcrease Museum Road

This event falls after Black History Month, but it will be a performance to look forward to. A special performance of Rogers and Hammerstein's classic musical "Oklahoma!" Produced in collaboration with Rebecca Ungerman and TU theater professor Machele Dill, this production will feature an all-black cast of actors.

Special events

Ladies Coffee Night: Black History Month

6-8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2

Raindrop Turkish House Tulsa, 4444 W. Houston St., Broken Arrow

The first Ladies Coffee Night of the year will feature Rebecca Marks-Jimerson as the keynote speaker. Dinner will be served at this ladies-only event. Limited space available. Make your reservation in advance. Expected donations are \$15 for adults, \$10 for students and \$5 for kids younger than 6.

'Power to the People: The Black Panther Party and the Civil Rights Movement in Oklahoma'

6 p.m. Monday, Feb. 5

Woody Guthrie Center, 102 E. M.B. Brady St.

The free-to-the-public event will include a screening of the acclaimed PBS documentary "The Black Panthers: Vanguards of the Revolution." A roundtable discussion of Black Panthers activity in Oklahoma and dialogue about other forms of civil rights, will take place after the film. Panelists will include former state Sen. Judy Eason McIntyre and community activist Joyce Williams. Sponsored by OKPOP.







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2018 African-American Heritage Bowl: 'African-Americans in Time of War and the Political Arena'

6-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8

Rudisill Regional Library in the Ancestral Hall, 1520 N. Hartford Ave.

Come and cheer on your favorite team at the annual African-American Heritage Bowl.

African-American History month movies

Noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10

Suburban Acres Library, 4606 N. Garrison Ave.

Enjoy an afternoon of selected movies about African-American events and people who have had a great impact on the world today.

There's an App 4 That ... On Black History!

12-2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24

Suburban Acres Library, 4606 N. Garrison Ave.

In honor of Black History Month, library staff will offer assistance and information on downloading apps on black history to your devices.

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