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Freedom Fund Reception

“The Power of Community”

Invited Speaker:

The Honorable Bobby Scott, Virginia

Where:
Martins Caterers (Formally Martins Crosswinds)
7400 Greenway Center Dr.
Greenbelt, MD 20770

Time:
Reception - 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Cost:
$70.00

Welcome to HBCU-Howard University

Howard announced the appointment after a nationwide search to fill the position as College of Fine Arts Dean.

Rashad, 72, majored in theater acting and earned a bachelor’s in fine arts from Howard in 1970. She will assume the new position on July 1.

She began her career on Broadway in the 1972 musical Ain’t Supposed to Die a Natural Death. Between her television and film work she returned to the stage and won a Tony Award for her 2004 performance in A Raisin in the Sun.

In a statement, Howard University Provost Anthony K. Wutoh said “It is an honor to welcome one of Howard’s acclaimed daughters back home to [her] Alma Mater.”

Two of Rashad's family members have ties to Howard. Her late father earned a dentistry degree there in 1945. Her sister, actress Debbie Allen, graduated from Howard in 1971.
Celebrate ACT-SO Advocates

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Dr. Gregory Bell
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2021 ACT-SO Gold Medalists Showcase & ACT-SO Advocates Celebration 5/23, 4 PM

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Paint Branch HS

Kyle Dalrymple
Photography
Physics
Richard Montgomery HS

Daniella Gonyoe
Poetry
Performance
Northwest HS

Ziya Jackson
Vocal
Contemporary
James H. Blake HS

Asha Jenkins
Painting
Jenkins Academy

Aaliyah Marie Key
Dance: Ballet
Dance: Contemporary
Calvert Academy

Agyeman Nyanteh
Drawing
Northwest HS

Gisele Sonnier
Dance: Modern
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Recidivism Challenge Webinar Transcript and Slides

NIJ hosted a webinar on May 6, 2021 to discuss the open Recidivism Forecasting Challenge, which included a Q&A. The webinar transcript and presentation slides are now available online.

About the Recidivism Forecasting Challenge

NIJ is engaging data scientists to help improve the ability to forecast recidivism using person- and place-based variables with the goal of improving outcomes for those serving a community supervision sentence. Findings could directly impact the types of factors considered when evaluating risk of recidivism and highlight the need to support people in specific areas related to reincarceration. Additionally, the Challenge could provide guidance on gender specific considerations and strategies to account for racial bias during risk assessment.

Learn more about the Challenge.

About the Project

The Edward U. Taylor Elementary School is under evaluation for designation to the County’s Master Plan for Historic Designation.

The recommendation to study the school was brought forward in the MARC Rail Communities Plan, which was approved by the County Council in April 2019. The plan recommended strategies to protect and enhance the historic rural character and resources in Boyds and Germantown.

Historic Preservation staff is in the process of evaluating the historic and architectural significance of the property in order to determine whether it meets criteria for historic designation outlined in §24A-3 of the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Ordinance. The evaluation process involves close collaboration with Montgomery County Public Schools, review of existing documentation, and new research into the school. At the conclusion of the evaluation process, the Historic Preservation Commission will conduct a worksession and public hearing to determine whether to recommend that the property be designated.

Historic and Architectural Significance

The former Edward U. Taylor School is located at 19501 White Ground Road, approximately one mile to the southwest of Boyds. The building currently serves as the Taylor Science Center for the processing and storage of science kits for Montgomery County Public Schools. The Modern Movement-influenced building was completed in 1952, and features several additions built between 1954 and 1969.

The Taylor School was built as an elementary school for African American students at a time when Montgomery County used legally sanctioned racial segregation to prohibit African American children from attending white schools. The facility was built to modern school design standards and represents the cumulative efforts of the county’s African American community to obtain better facilities and opportunities after decades of public underinvestment in educational facilities for African American children.

In 1954, the U.S. Supreme Court’s ruling in Brown v. Board of Education struck down the “separate but equal” doctrine, forcing Montgomery County Public Schools to end its system of racial segregation. The Taylor School was one of the last county schools to desegregate, in 1961, and was the only African American elementary school to retain its original function.

As a hallmark of the era of de jure racial segregation, the Taylor School captures the struggle and perseverance of the County’s African American communities as they fought for equal rights during the segregation and integration of the public school system.
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