

BLACK MARRIAGE DAY

SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 2018

Opening, General Motors Theater, 3 pm

- WORTH WAITING FOR (ORIGINAL SONG BY ROBERT AND DOREEN McARTHUR)
- WELCOME (HASANI ALI, TWIN FLAME COALITION)
- TOGETHER AS ONE (CHOREOGRAPHY BY MIN. YOLANDA ROUNTREE, EL OLAM CENTER FOR DANCE & ARTS)
- MARRIAGE FOR LIFE (PANEL DISCUSSION FEATURING ATTORNEY FRED AND NNEKA OWENS)



Intermission, 4 pm

- ENJOY ALL THE MUSEUM EXHIBITS, COMPLIMENTS OF THE MUSEUM, AND SHOP THE MUSEUM STORE FOR GREAT FINDS AND DEALS
- PHOTO/ESSAY CONTEST. HAVE YOUR PICTURE TAKEN WITH YOUR SIGNIFICANT OTHER TO SUBMIT, ALONG WITH A WRITTEN ESSAY ABOUT YOUR RELATIONSHIP, TO A TEAM THAT WILL JUDGE A WINNING COUPLE IN EACH CATEGORY:

Most Enduring - For a couple married at least 15 years and still passionate about one another

Overcomers - For a couple that has, or is, facing great hardship yet still staying together

Most Bountiful - For a couple that, together, has four (4) or more children (not to include blended marriages)

Most Romantic Proposal - For an officially engaged couple (marriage date must be set; ceremony location should be booked)

Sexiest Couple - For that committed, eye-catching couple that, despite kids and careers and all else, still manages to keep the spark in their marriage

Couple of the Year - Taking into account such factors as how this couple met, how long they have been married, what they have overcome to be together; their enduring passion and the well-being/success of their children

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VIP Reception, Rotunda, 5:30 pm
**Hosted by the Marriage Resource Center*

- DINNER
- A SELECTION FROM MAMA JATU THE STORYTELLER
- ROUND-TABLE DISCUSSION WITH SOME OF THE DETROIT AREA'S MOST PROMINENT COUPLES
 - VOW RENEWAL CEREMONY
 - AWARDS - ANNOUNCE WINNERS OF PHOTO/ESSAY CONTEST
- DANCE OF LONGEVITY - ALL MARRIED COUPLES WILL START ON THE DANCE FLOOR TOGETHER AND, PERIODICALLY PEELING OFF IN GROUPS OF THOSE MARRIED FROM THE LEAST AMOUNT OF TIME TO THE LONGEST, WILL LEAVE THE FLOOR UNTIL ONLY THE LONGEST-MARRIED COUPLES ARE LEFT

STAGE SHOWCASE, GENERAL MOTORS THEATER, 7 PM

- ENJOY AN EXCERPT OF "GAME PLAY," BY AWARD-WINNING DIRECTOR, CHARITY CLARK-ANDERSON



THE SINGLES' SOIREE! ROTUNDA, 8 PM

- HAVING FIRST JOINED THE COUPLES FOR "GAME PLAY," THIS IS A CHANCE FOR MARRIAGE-MINDED SINGLES TO BREAK OFF AND MINGLE, MUNCH ON SOME REFRESHMENTS AND MAYBE EVEN MAKE IT INTO A ROUND OF "THE DATING GAME"

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