



Coalition of Black Trade Unionists
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Black History Month Celebration



WAHC's most popular exhibitions ... *And Still I Rise*

The OFL and CBTU present the acclaimed exhibition “*And Still I Rise: A History of African Canadian Workers in Ontario.*” This travelling exhibit originally developed by the Workers Arts and Heritage Centre explores the rich legacy of Ontario’s black Community.

Four exhibits, designed to look like train coaches, span the twentieth century with exhibition topics ranging from “Challenges to Freedom”: “1900

to World War 11” to the reflective “Legacy of African Canadians”. Visitors are invited to learn more about the historic and present day lives and experiences of Black Canadians through the investigation of themes including immigration, work roles and the labour movement, the agitation of civil rights, the contributions of African Canadians to the arts and sports, the importance of church, schools and voluntary organizations to building strong communities. It also profiles black heroes and heroines. The final car looks to the future by highlighting the hopes and dreams of youth. Each car features “a window” through which visitors can view the text, artifacts and photographs on display as well as audio and video comments.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Adrienne Shadd is a researcher, writer, curator and editor who has co-authored several books. Shadd is writing a history of Black Hamilton, entitled *Journey from Toll Gate to Parkway: African Canadians in Hamilton*, to be published by Dundurn Press. Adrienne Shadd holds an M.A. in Sociology from McGill University.

Carmen Henry former Co-Chair of Workers Arts and Heritage Centre “*And Still I Rise*” exhibit working group and Natasha Henry B.A. (Honours), B. Ed. author of *Emancipation Day: Celebrating Freedom in Canada*.

Thursday, February 24, 2011

OFL Building, 15 Gervais Drive
5:00 pm Welcome & Introduction
Presentation and Q and A
6:00 pm Buffet Dinner (no charge)
Social Cash Bar

Friday, February 25, 2011

9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Display only in OFL Foyer

SEATING IS LIMITED!! Please **RSVP** to Janice Gairey jgairey@ofl.ca or 416.347.9732.

Deadline February 17, 2011.