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**BRING THE ENTIRE FAMILY TO ENJOY AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY  
DAY AT THE DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM  
ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6**

**DETROIT** – Begin your Black History Month celebration at **African American History Day** on **Saturday, February 6** from **11 a.m. – 4 p.m.** at the Detroit Historical Museum. This event is an excellent **FREE** opportunity for families of all ethnic backgrounds to celebrate African American history and culture.

Entertainment throughout the day includes:

- Caricature artist **George Ingram** at 12:30 p.m.
- An African drum and dance demonstration by **Mubarak Hakim** at 1 p.m.
- **Jean Alicia Elster** – celebrated author of *Who's Jim Hines?*, a story about Douglas Ford Jr., a 12-year-old African American boy growing up in Detroit in the 1930s – will be making a special appearance at 2 p.m.
- Storyteller **Ivory D. Williams** back by popular demand at 3:30 p.m.
- Throughout the day, guests can learn how to make a quilt with the **Peace Baptist Church Quilters**, and kids can enjoy many different arts and craft stations at the **Kidz Art Zone**.

In addition, families can enjoy an expanded **Vendor and Artists Market** throughout the *Streets of Old Detroit*. Food and beverages will also be available for sale.

Finally, don't forget to check out the Museum's exhibit ***Fabulous 5: Detroit's Snack Food Superstars***, open through February 28, which takes a tasteful look at local companies that make some of Detroit's most beloved treats. Also, see ***Corktown Works!***, the latest exhibit in the Museum's **Community Gallery** supported by **Comerica**, which educates visitors of the diverse mix of urban farmers, working artists, entrepreneurs and others who are making Detroit's oldest neighborhood one of the most inviting places to live and work.

Admission is free all day for the Museum and the special programs. For more information, call **(313) 833-1805** or check out our website at [www.detroithistorical.org](http://www.detroithistorical.org).

This activity is supported by **Target**. Media partners for the event include the **Michigan Chronicle**, the **Michigan Front Page** and **WADL-TV 38**. Community partners are the **Boys and Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan**, **Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Detroit**, and **Youthville Detroit**.

The Detroit Historical Museum is located at 5401 Woodward Ave. (corner of Kirby) in Detroit's Cultural Center area. Parking in the Museum's lot is \$4 at all times. Permanent exhibits include the famous *Streets of Old Detroit*, *Frontiers to Factories*, *The Motor City*, and *The Glancy Trains*.

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