Lyceum Series

Featuring the best of European/African American cultural expressions in the forms of music, dance, literature and visual arts

Salutes the World Renowned Rust College A’Cappella Choir under the direction of Ms. Dorothy L. Jones.

Calendar 2011-2012

SANKOFA African American Art Exhibit From 1860 to Present)
Sunday, September 25, 2011 - Display Hours from 2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Monday, September 26, 2011 - Display Hours from 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Presentation to be held at the Eddie L. Smith Multi Purpose Building. Curator, Mrs. Angela Jennings, Denmark, South Carolina.

Pearl Cleage, Writer in Residence/Book Review Wednesday, October 5, 2011, 7:00 p.m. Atlanta based best selling author and award winning playwright (For more information on this Speaker/Performer please visit www.apbspeakers.com).

8th Annual Mass Communication Week Thursday, October 27, 2011 - General Assembly 2:40 p.m. Ms. Zondra Hughes, Presenter (Rust Graduate ‘94) Deputy Editor of Rolling Out, the nation’s leading urban and lifestyle entertainment publication. Ms. Hughes is former associate editor (Beauty & Style and Relationships) at Ebony magazine.

The Altino Brothers, Musical Concert Tuesday, November 8, 2011, 7:00 p.m. Featuring Nerva and Robenson Altino from Haiti to Jamaica, Queens, New York. The Altino brothers have an incredible talent, dazzling technique, and a unique sound for classical music.

145th Founders’ Day Sunday, November 13, 2011, 11:00 a.m.

A’Cappella Choir Concert Sunday, December 11, 2011, 6:00 p.m. The World Famous Rust College A’Cappella Choir is one of America’s most renowned choirs which features broad repertoir of classical, semi-classical, spirituals, opera, contemporary and traditional gospel. The choir has captured the attention of prestigious audiences world-wide. The choir is currently under the direction of Ms. Dorothy L. Jones, former choir directress of the Greenville, Mississippi Public School District.

Motivational Speaker, Dr. Adrienne Booth Johnson Tuesday, January 31, 2012, 7:00 p.m. CEO of Infinity Global Connections, LLC, Fayetteville, Georgia.


Phil Darius Wallace Portrays Langston Hughes, in his One Man Performance –Hold Fast Wednesday, February 29, 2012, 7:00 p.m. Presented by Voices of the South Theatre Company.

Memphis Watoto –Musical Performing Arts Theatre Company Tuesday, March 6, 2012, 7:00 p.m., Founder, Mr. Donald O’Conner.

Ida B. Wells Symposium, Michelle Duster Presenter Thursday, March 22, 2012, 7:00 p.m. Great Granddaughter of Ida B. Wells and author of Ida in Her Own Words.

The Mighty Seed –Artistic Dreams Stage Production, Memphis, Tennessee Featuring Rust College Students Tuesday, April 3, 2012, 7:00 p.m.

Gloria Gipson Suggs, Local Artist –Marshall County, Mississippi Wednesday, April 11, 2012, 7:00 p.m. Graduate of Rust College in Holly Springs, Mississippi and earned her Masters Degree from the University of Memphis in Memphis, Tennessee. Her collection, The Reflection Series, includes folk art drawings and poetry. Crayon is the primary medium and primitive impressionism is the style used in her folk art drawings.

Commencement – Sunday, April 22, 2012, 2:00 p.m.

All events are open to the general public without charge
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Dr. David L. Beckley, President

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Paula Newberry, Coloratura Soprano Opera Singer Thursday, March 29, 2012, 7:00 p.m. She made her debut as “The First Spirit” in Mozart’s “Die Zauberflote” in Memphis, Tennessee with Opera Memphis in 2002 and burst on the scene with her “Evening of Opera” Concert Recital debut at Carnegie Hall in New York in 2003.

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