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*Lyceum Series*



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## ***Calendar*** **2016 – 2017**

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

## Monday, September 26, 2016 - 7:00 p.m. Watoto De Afrika



Memphis Cultural Arts Enrichment Center founded by Donald O'Conner, musician/producer. O'Conner is a native of Memphis, Tennessee. This program uses a variety of Afro-centric literary styles.

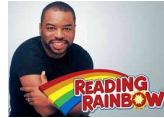
## Tuesday, October 18, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.



LeVar Burton is an American actor, presenter, director, and author. He is best known for his roles as Kunta Kinte in the 1977 award-winning ABC television miniseries *Roots*, as Lt. Commander Geordi La Forge in *Star Trek: The Next*



*Generation*, and as the host of the long-running PBS children's series *Reading Rainbow*. The series ran for 23 seasons/1988-2006. He also makes guest appearances on Big Bang Theory.

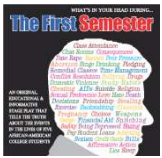


## Thursday, October 20, 2016 - 2:40 p.m. - General Assembly



13<sup>th</sup> Annual Mass Communications Week - Pamela Chatman, Speaker. Chatman is Mississippi's first African-American woman news director; she is employed at WABG-TV, Greenville, Mississippi. She is a motivational speaker, entrepreneur, reality TV star (TruTV- Breaking Greenville), mentor, consultant, and author, as well as Rust graduate ('93).

## Monday, November 07, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.



The First Semester - Stage Production, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Dr. Lance Edmond Brown, Founder/Owner of Public Awareness Theatre. Return by popular demand - This play captures the intensity of the lives of college students. *What's in your head during... THE FIRST SEMESTER.*

## Sunday, November 13, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.

150<sup>th</sup> Founders' Day Convocation Speaker, Rev. Dr. Jerry Young, Rust graduate ('74), is the current Pastor of New Hope Missionary Baptist Church in Jackson, Mississippi, where he has served since 1980. As of September 2014, he leads the National Baptist Convention of more than 33,000 churches and 7.5 million people across the country.



## Tuesday, November 29, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.

Galen Abdur-Razzaq - Master Flutist, educator and riveting speaker on the topic of musicology and jazz history. He resides in Longwood, Florida.



## Sunday, December 11, 2016 - 6:00 p.m.

An Evening with Mr. George Patrick Johnson, director, and The World Renowned Rust College A`Cappella Choir. The concert features a broad repertoire of music.



## Monday, January 30, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.



The Legacy Show is a musical, cultural, and historical journey featuring Violinist Tami Lee Hughes & Pianist Byron Sean presenting music and spoken word from composers past and present.



## Monday, February 06, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.

*Love Doesn't Have To Hurt* - Stage Production presents several main characters finding themselves dealing with the reality that for every action, there's a reaction, and a price to pay for decisions and choices. Playwright Dr. Lance Brown, Founder/Owner of Public Awareness Theatre.

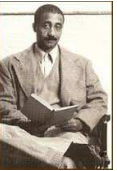
## Wednesday, February 08, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.

Book Review/Book Signing with Kimberla Lawson Roby - New York Times & USA Today Bestselling Author. Lawson Roby has published 23 novels which include *BEST FRIENDS FOREVER* and *THE ULTIMATE BETRAYAL*. She has sold more than 2.7 million copies of her novels. Kimberla resides in Illinois with her husband.



## Monday, February 13, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.

David Mills presents the life long journey of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. through a dramatic rendition of King's speeches. As a writer and actor, Mills has worked professionally in the dramatic and literary communities for more than a decade. He is a graduate of New York University and Yale University.



## Tuesday, March 14, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.

The Rust College Show Band features a variety of musical selections filled with *soulful memories*. The band has branded itself as "*The Rust College Perfect Storm*" under the leadership of Dr. Warren Booker, Rust graduate ('68).



## Wednesday, March 22, 2017 - 3:00 p.m.

Ida B. Well's Symposium, Dr. Pamela Newkirk, Presenter. Newkirk is Professor of Journalism and Director of Undergraduate Studies at New York University – Arthur L. Carter Journalism Institute.



## Monday, March 27, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.

*Ain't I a Woman!* - A musical and theatrical celebration of four renowned African American women: Zora Neale Hurston, Clementine Hunter, Sojourner Truth, and Fannie Lou Hamer.



## Wednesday, April 05, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.

Black Genesis Theatre, Rust College student ensemble created by Mr. Donald O'Conner, to perform original pieces.



## Sunday - April 30, 2017 - 2:00 p.m. – Commencement