



Paul Robeson House & Museum Newsletter

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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

I am pleased to share with you that the National Trust for Historic Preservation has awarded us a \$135,000 grant to hire an executive director. In addition, more than \$108,000 has been raised through a GoFundMe campaign in collaboration with the Colored Girl Museum in Philadelphia. Our share of the funds will be used to make repairs to the house and our office next door.

We have also received a \$33,500 grant from Independence Public Media Foundation to produce a multimedia history and archiving project with reflections of African Americans on the fight for racial justice in Philadelphia.

Even with these grants, we are still in need of donations to finish all our repairs and continue to operate.

Finally, we appreciated V. Shayne Frederick and Trio's virtual benefit concert to raise funds for operational costs for the house and Bea Joyner's webinars on preserving our family photos.

Thank you for your continued support. A great future lies ahead for the Paul Robeson House & Museum.

Vernoca L. Michael

CALENDAR

"We Charge Genocide" with Dr. Charisse Burden-Stelly, Thursday, Aug. 13, 6:30 p.m.
Webinar with Claudia Jones School for Political Education. Co-sponsored and moderated by Paul Robeson House & Museum.
<http://bit.ly/WeChargeGenocide>

Kulu Mele talks 50 years of Black dance, music and culture.
Paul Robeson House & Museum free livestream discussion with Christopher Rogers and John Morrison. **Saturday, Aug. 29, 3:30 p.m.** <https://bit.ly/2XyJgEE>

"We Are Each Other's Harvest,"
conversation between Ashton Crawley and Guthrie Ramsey.
Livestream hosted by Paul Robeson House & Museum, **Saturday, Aug. 15, 1 p.m.** <https://bit.ly/3a8rxZY>

UPDATES



Mural arts project by Nile Livingston.

Nile Livingston, one of our artists-in-residence, created a virtual mural titled "Philly Rising." It is a mosaic of photos embedded in the city's skyline, with each photo depicting the spirit of Philly. The Robeson House & Museum is among the photos.

"This mural reminds us that we fit together and that we belong here. It unites us and allows us to be part of something larger than ourselves," she said.

View the mural here:
<https://bit.ly/3gxzrhI>

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Hours/Tours: We are temporarily closed.

