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NATIONAL DAY OF

RACIAL  
HEALING

#HOWWEHEAL

# INAUGURAL OBSERVANCE IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS

State Capitol Rotunda  
Tuesday, January 21, 2020  
9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Harry R. Kendall Science & Health Mission Center  
Philander Smith College  
Tuesday, January 21, 2020  
3:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

CALS Ron Robinson  
Wednesday, January 22, 2020  
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
**Arkansas Peace & Justice Memorial Movement (APJMM)**  
**1400 West Markham Street, Suite 405, Little Rock, AR 72201**  
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**www.APJMM.org**



## 2020 CHAMPIONS FOR TRUTH, RACIAL HEALING & TRANSFORMATION

The following will be awarded Certificates of Commendation by the Secretary of State for their commitment, over the last year, to the principles upon which the National Day of Racial Healing was founded:

**Tamika Edwards**  
**George D. West**

The following will be posthumously awarded a special Capitol Citation by the Secretary of State for his lifelong commitment to the principles upon which the National Day of Racial Healing was founded, because his works have benefited, and will continue to benefit, all Arkansans:

**State Representative John W. Walker, Sr.**



The primary goal of APJMM is to memorialize the victims of historical racialized violence in the State of Arkansas through geographical and genealogical research, soil collections, historical marker placements, and descendant acknowledgement.

The secondary goal of APJMM is to promote statewide, community-based engagement in this process through educational curricula; artistic expression and performance-based healing; intergenerational, interracial, interfaith, and cross-county dialogues; and long-term truth, racial justice, conciliation, and transformational activities.



[www.arkansasjustcommunities.org](http://www.arkansasjustcommunities.org)



[www.eji.org](http://www.eji.org)



[www.wfymalc.org](http://www.wfymalc.org)



[www.comingtothetable.org](http://www.comingtothetable.org)

# NATIONAL DAY OF RACIAL HEALING 2020 PROCLAMATION EVENT

Tuesday, January 21, 2020

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

State Capitol Rotunda



COMMUNITY REMEMBRANCE PROJECT

## **PROGRAM**

Welcome ..... Donald Wood  
APJMM Pulaski County CRP

Purpose ..... Conner Johnson  
APJMM Garland County CRP\*

Mission ..... Jimmy Cunningham  
APJMM Jefferson County CRP\*

What is NDORH? ..... Kwami Abdul-Bey  
APJMM Pulaski County CRP

Proclamations ..... Judge Barry Hyde  
APJMM Pulaski County CRP

Awards ..... John Thurston  
Secretary of State

Closing ..... Clarice Abdul-Bey  
APJMM Pulaski County CRP

(\* These CRPs are in the establishment phase.)



### COMMUNITY EVENTS & OBSERVANCES

- National Day of Racial Healing (Jan. 21-22)
- National Freedom Day (Feb. 1)
- 28-Day Racial Equity Challenge (Feb. 1-28)
- ***Soil Collection/Marker Installation: John Carter (May 2-4)***
- Juneteenth Independence Day (Jun. 19)
- CTTT Monthly Film Screening & Discussion (Aug. 13)
- CTTT Monthly Film Screening & Discussion (Sep. 10)
- ACANSA Arts Festival Potluck & Poison Ivy (Sep. 24)
- ***Soil Collection/Marker Installation: Homer Blackman (Oct. 3-4)***
- EJI Countywide High School Racial Justice Essay Contest (Oct. 5)
- CTTT Monthly Film Screening & Discussion (Oct. 8)
- Nakumbuka Day (Nov. 11)
- Arkansas Peace Week (Nov. 20-26)
- CTTT Monthly Film Screening & Discussion (Dec. 10)

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# ART OF RACIAL HEALING

## COLLEGIATE POETRY & PROSE WORKSHOP

Tuesday, January 21, 2020

3:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Kendall Center

Philander Smith College



Welcome ..... Clarice Abdul-Bey  
Social Justice Institute at  
Philander Smith College

Workshop (3:45 p.m.) ..... Drekkia Morning  
Arkansas Arts Council

Light Dinner

Culminating  
Performance (6:15 p.m.) ..... Workshop Participants

Wrap Up ..... Drekkia Morning  
Arkansas Arts Council

Film Introduction ..... Tamika Edwards  
Social Justice Institute at  
Philander Smith College

Screening of HBO Documentary Films'  
True Justice: Bryan Stevenson's Fight For Equality

Closing ..... Clarice Abdul-Bey  
Social Justice Institute at  
Philander Smith College

# TRUE JUSTICE INTERFAITH PANELISTS

**Associate Professor I. Malik Saafir, M. Div., M. Ed.**

Department of Philosophy & Religion  
Philander Smith College

**Pastor Preston Clegg, M. Div., D. Min.**

Second Baptist Church-Downtown

**Honorable Annabelle Davis Clinton Imber Tuck, J.D.**

Congregation B'nai Israel

**Rev. Dr. Denise Donnell, M.A., M. Div., Ph. D.**

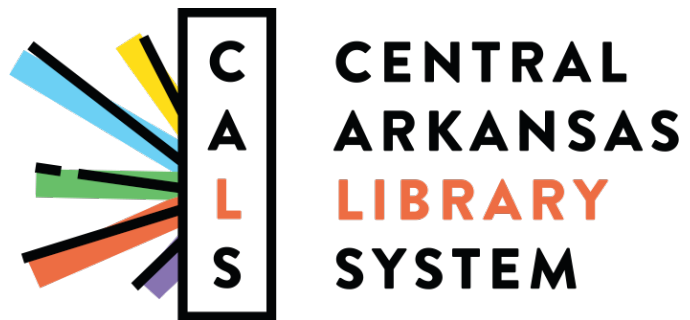
Human Rights Coalition Arkansas

**Dr. Sara Tariq, M.D.**

Madina Institute



APJMM Pulaski County Community Remembrance Project additionally thanks the following entities that provided technical/logistical support to ensure a successful inaugural observance of the National Day of Racial Healing in the State of Arkansas:



ARKANSAS CINEMA SOCIETY



# TRUE JUSTICE

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

CALS Ron Robinson Theater



## PROGRAM

Welcome & Purpose ..... Kwami Abdul-Bey  
APJMM Pulaski County CRP

Grounding the Space ..... Rev. Dr. Denise Donnell  
Human Rights Campaign AR

Special Remembrance Performance by  
Philander Smith College Creatives & Choir  
under the direction of Dr. Carla Carter & Mr. Stephen Hayes

Lifting Their Names ..... Rev. Dr. Denise Donnell  
Human Rights Campaign AR

## INTERMISSION

Film Introduction ..... Donald Wood  
APJMM Pulaski County CRP

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## INTERFAITH PANEL DISCUSSION

Closing ..... Kwami Abdul-Bey  
APJMM Pulaski County CRP

**STATE OF ARKANSAS**  
**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

**PROCLAMATION**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Just like those who came before us, it is our duty to protect the children of this state and maintain communities in which they may all be given the opportunity to succeed; and

WHEREAS: We must all work earnestly to create courageous and supportive environments that acknowledge the traumatic past; promote the healing of the wounds created by racial and ethnic bias; and build an equitable and just society so that all of Arkansas's children can thrive; and

WHEREAS: Children have the right to be provided every opportunity to learn, grow, and thrive in nurturing environments that do not violate their safety, dignity, and humanity; and

WHEREAS: Every single person has the opportunity to exhibit an act of kindness to make a simple change within him or herself that can have a profound effect on an entire society; and

WHEREAS: If we all dedicate ourselves to the principles of truth, racial healing, and transformation, we can all bring about the necessary changes in thinking and behavior that will propel this great state forward as a unified force where racial biases will become a thing of the past; and

WHEREAS: Racial healing is a vital and crucial commitment to the education, social, mental, and overall well-being of all citizens in the State of Arkansas, particularly children; and

WHEREAS: The State of Arkansas, in conjunction with others throughout the United States of America, acknowledges January 21, 2020, as the "National Day of Racial Healing," and urges all citizens to promote racial healing and transformation in the ways that are best suited for them individually, as a means of working together to ensure the best quality of life for every child;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ASA HUTCHINSON, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim January 21, 2020, as

**NATIONAL DAY OF RACIAL HEALING IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of January, in the year of our Lord 2020.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Asa Hutchinson".

Asa Hutchinson, Governor

Attest

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "John Thurston".  
John Thurston, Secretary Of State