



Greetings Educators and Families:

OURSTORY BOOK FAIR & EXPO returns in 2019 to the Summit Center in Roselawn on February 22, 23 and 24. It is an outgrowth of the nationally renowned Cincinnati Black Book Fair (1990-2001) and Ourstory Expo (2005). **OURSTORY** features national, regional and local authors, artists, orators, engineers and educators, who share stories of culture and achievement and engage participants in hands-on STEM activities.

On Friday, February 22nd, preschoolers, area students, and educators will experience a highlight of **OURSTORY** when special programming is featured as part of **FIELD TRIP DAY**. Three (3) learning sessions are scheduled. Each session targets different grade levels with age appropriate programming.

Session Time Grade(s)

09:15A-10:15A PreK-4

11:00A-12:00P Grades 4-6

01:00P-02:00P Grades 7-12

After the session students, parents, and educators can visit the **OURSTORY** exhibit hall to meet authors, experience Hands-on STEM activities presented by African American engineers and engineering students, visit the vendor marketplace, purchase books and other literary materials. Teachers and students attending the **FIELD TRIP DAY** may elect to eat lunch at Summit Center—space will be provided—or groups may return to their respective school for lunch.

TRANSPORTATION IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH SCHOOL OR GROUP. Seating for each session is limited to 400 and will be granted on a first come first served basis. To make reservation email your request to ourstoryexpo@gmail.com. Write “**FIELD TRIP FRIDAY**” on the subject line. Include in the email the following information:

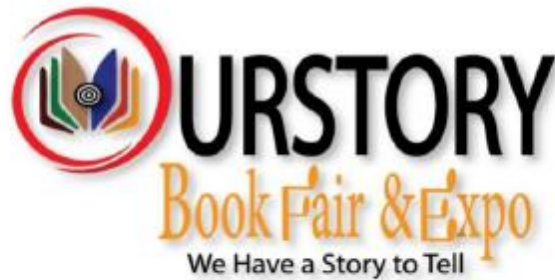
1. Desired Session
2. School Name and telephone
3. Lead Teacher/Primary Contact and cell phone
4. Grade(s) attending & Number of students (Include name of accompanying class Teacher or chaperone)

If you have any questions please email or call.

Ronnie X Black

Field Trip Day Coordinator

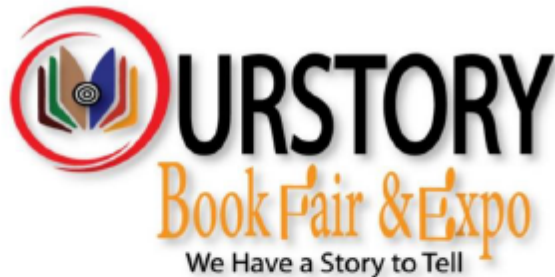
PS: We encourage educators, student, and parents to visit **OURSTORY** during the general public hours: Friday 4P-9P; Saturday 9A-9PM, and Sunday 9A-6P.



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**CONTACT: VENDORS • FIELD TRIP DAY REGISTRATION
CALL 513.402.2662 • OURSTORYEXPO.COM**



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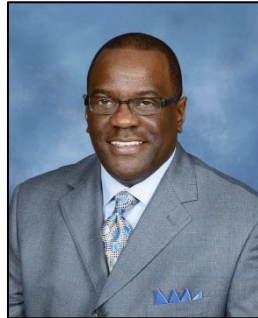
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ABOUT OURSTORY BOOK FAIR & EXPO FOUNDER



Bomani Tyehimba, is no stranger to organizing events of this scale. Mr. Tyehimba along with his business partner, Mark

Pastor, founded the Greater Cincinnati Black Book Fair in February 1990. The Black Book Fair quickly grew from a one-day event held in a hotel, to three full days at the Cincinnati Convention Center. It was well attended, attracting people throughout Greater Cincinnati and from the tri-state area. Each year the Black Book Fair received extensive media coverage, volunteer support, and corporate sponsorship.

In 2005 Mr. Tyehimba organized **OURSTORY EXPO** as an expanded vision of the Black Book Fair and to build upon that well-established foundation. **OURSTORY EXPO** included an Art Expo, SpokenWord Expo, Writer’s Conference, Black Book Fair, Blacks in Flight Exhibit, and Field Trip Day for area students and senior citizens. The three-day event was held at the Sharonville Convention Center.

In 2007 Mr. Tyehimba organized **FESTIVAL513** as a complementary event to the Cincinnati Music Festival.

Mr. Tyehimba brings the same level of enthusiasm to OurStory Book Fair & Expo, which contributed to the success of the Cincinnati Black Book

Past Sponsors of:

BLACK BOOK FAIR & OURSTORY EXPO

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“Fast becoming another [Cincinnati] tradition is the annual Black Book Fair, which . . . bring[s] in African American authors, speakers and celebrities to help celebrate Black History Month.”

CityBeat
February, 1997

Some Past Authors, and Highlights:

- Les Brown
- Tony Brown
- Brenda Brouder
- Evie Rhodes
- Rosalyn McMillan
- Walter Mosley
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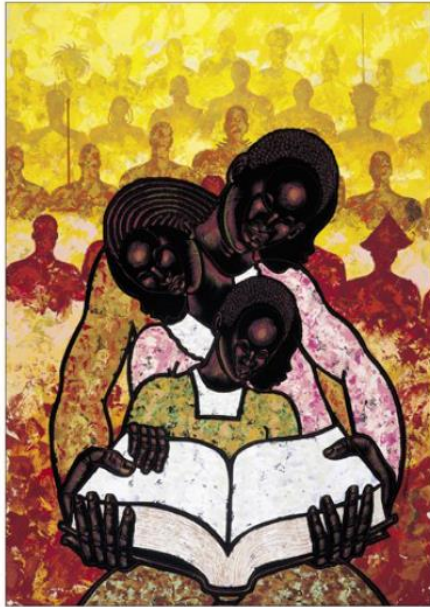
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“The Black Book Fair is a thriving microcosm of the hopes and aspirations of African Americans. It embodies the spirit of the Kwanzaa principle Ujamaa, or cooperative economics.”

Njema Magazine



OURSTORY EXPO
FEBRUARY 4-6, 2005 CINCINNATI, OH

2005 OURSTORY EXPO



THE MARK L. PASTOR BLACK BOOK FAIR
"IMAGINE THE POSSIBILITIES: A CALL TO ACTION"
CINCINNATI CONVENTION CENTER- FEBRUARY 23-25, 2001

2001 MARK L. PASTOR BLACK BOOK FAIR



Featured Artist:

LARRY "PONCHO" BROWN is a native of Baltimore, Maryland. His art has been published nationally in Upscale, Ebony, Essence, and Jet magazines. His fine art adorns the walls of Dick Gregory, Anita Baker, Bill Cosby, and Susan Taylor. PACA has relied on his creativity in branding several past events.



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