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CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF BAYARD RUSTIN

OHIO PREMIERE OF ORATORIO:

Bayard Rustin: The Man Behind the Dream

Composed by Steve Milloy

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

A combined mass choir of 160 singers from the Miami Valley and Greater Cincinnati areas has been rehearsing all summer and will come together with instrumentalists and soloists for four performances of *Bayard Rustin: The Man Behind the Dream* by Cincinnati Composer and Conductor Steve Milloy.

Bayard Rustin (1912-1987) was a leading strategist of the American Civil Rights Movement. Rustin organized the famous 1963 March on Washington and it was Rustin's understanding and teaching of non-violence that had a major influence on the tactics and strategy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Rustin's life as a gay, Black activist, a Quaker and a singer will be told and celebrated through the Ohio premiere of this powerful choral work.

Guest soloists will be La'Shelle Allen, mezzo soprano and Keith Dean, bass-baritone. The three Dayton area performances will be conducted by Jeremy Winston of Central State University and the final concert in Cincinnati will be conducted by Chris Miller, Minister of Music at Mt. Auburn Presbyterian Church.

In addition to the four performances of the Oratorio, there will be a multi-event symposium in numerous area venues that will explore aspects of Bayard Rustin life and his relevance to today's world (see attached listing of all concerts and events).



CONCERTS

Bayard Rustin: The Man Behind the Dream

All concerts are free and open to the public, donations welcome

Thursday, September 6, 2018; 7:00PM

Foundry Theatre at Antioch College
920 Corry St. Yellow Springs, OH 45387

Friday, September 7, 2018; 7:00PM

Westminster Presbyterian Church
125 N. Wilkinson Street, Dayton, 45402

Saturday, September 8, 2018; 7:00 PM

Foundry Theatre at Antioch College
920 Corry St. Yellow Springs, OH 45387

Sunday, September 9, 2019; 4:00PM

House of Joy Christian Ministries
5912 Hamilton Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45224



BAYARD RUSTIN SYMPOSIUM

Lectures – Education – Films

All events are free and open to the public, donations welcome

Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 3:00PM

Sinclair Community College, Building 12, Room 116

444 West Third St.; Dayton, OH 45202

Documentary: “Brother Outsider” and Panel Discussion

Dr. Faheem Curtis-Khidr, Amaha Sellassie, Moderated by Rodney Veal

Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 6:30PM

Harriet Beecher Stowe House: 2950 Gilbert Ave; Cincinnati, OH 45206

Documentary: “Brother Outsider” and Panel Discussion

Shannon Isaacs, James Newby, Martha Viehmann

Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 5:00PM

Miami University/Hamilton Campus

114 Rentschler Hall; 1601 University Blvd. Hamilton, OH 45011

Documentary: “Brother Outsider” and Discussion

Dr. Bennyce Hamilton, Regional Director Diversity & Multicultural Services

Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 7:00 PM

Xavier University: Arrupe Overlook (1st floor, main floor) Gallagher Student Center

Parking: Cintas Center, 3800 Victory Parkway, Cincinnati, OH 45207

Dr. Jared Leighton, Guest Lecturer

“The Role of LGBT Civil Rights–Black Power Activists in Advancing LGBT Rights”

Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 7:00PM

Wilmington College: Main Campus Lawn, 1870 Quaker Way, Wilmington, OH 45177

Documentary: “Brother Outsider” and Panel Discussion, Dr. Tanya Maus

Sponsored by Campus Ministry, Quaker Heritage Center, Center for Diversity and Inclusion, and Spectra

Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 7:00PM

Wittenberg University: 201 Shouplin Center
737 N. Fountain Ave.; Springfield, OH 45504
Documentary: "Brother Outsider" and Panel Discussion
A discussion will follow the film led by panelists
Dr. Julius Bailey, Professor of Philosophy
Dr. ShaDawn Battle, Assistant Professor of English
Olivia Montgomery, the Springfield NAACP and chair of the LGBTQIA Task Force of Ohio

Thursday, September 6, 2018 at 11:00AM

Central State University: 1400 Brush Row Rd. Wilberforce, OH, 45384
Documentary: "Brother Outsider" and Panel Discussion, Dr Geoffrey Giddings,
Dr. Kevin McGruder, Jeremy Winston

Thursday, September 6, 2018 at 6:00 PM

Miami University/Hamilton Campus
Parrish Auditorium, 1601 University Blvd, Hamilton, OH 45011
Dr. John D'Emilio, Guest Lecturer
"Lost Prophet: The Life and Times of Bayard Rustin"

Friday, September 7, 2018 at 11:00AM

Wittenberg University, Ness Auditorium in Hollenbeck Hall
289 Bill Edwards Dr., Springfield, OH 45504
Writing for Social Change, Professor Rick Incorvati's class
Dr. Jared Leighton, Dr. John D'Emilio, and Walter Naegle, Guest Lecturers

Friday, September 7, 2018 at 2:00PM

Antioch College, Arts and Science Building, Cinema Room, 2nd floor
One Morgan Place (by the library)
Documentary: "Brother Outsider" and Panel Discussion
Dr. Kevin McGruder and Patricia Dewees

Friday, September 7, 2018 at 4:00 PM

Yellow Springs Public Library: 415 Xenia Ave, Yellow Springs, OH 45387
Village Read for Young Adults: *Bayard Rustin: Invisible Activist*, by Walter Naegle
Meeting Times: Monday 08.27 at 4:00, 08.30 at 4:00, 09.05 at 4:00 and
Friday September 7 at 4:00 with the author Walter Naegle

Saturday, September 8, 2018 at 9:30AM

Coretta Scott King Center for Cultural and Intellectual Freedom
One Morgan Place, Yellow Springs, OH 45387
"Non-Violent Direct Action Today" with guest author Walter Naegle, Gavin DeVore
Leonard, James Hayes, Dr. Kevin McGruder, Mila Cooper, Dr. Carl Hyde, Dr. Tanya
Maus

Saturday, September 8, 2018 at 10:00 AM

Youth Collaborative Conversation

African American Chamber of Commerce: 2945 Gilbert St., Cincinnati, 45206

Advanced Registration Required (Free to youth 10 and up)

Tim'm West, Facilitator

Saturday, September 8, 2018 at 4:00 PM

Harriet Beecher Stowe House: 2950 Gilbert Street, Cincinnati, 45206

Dr. Jared Leighton, Guest Lecturer

"The Role of LGBT Civil Rights-Black Power Activists in Advancing LGBT Rights"

Sunday September 9, 2018 at 10:00 AM

First Unitarian Church of Cincinnati: 536 Linton St, Cincinnati, OH 45219

Dr. Jared Leighton, Guest Speaker

"The Role of LGBT Civil Rights-Black Power Activists in Advancing LGBT Rights"

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WHO'S WHO



About Steve Milloy:

Currently Steve is Artistic Director of the Cincinnati Men's Chorus and Music Director at St. John's United Church of Christ in Bellevue, KY. He has also served as the music director of the Martin Luther King Coalition Chorale and artistic director of the Diverse City Youth Chorus. Steve has been commissioned to compose or arrange pieces for dozens of church & community choruses in the US and UK and received a BA in Music from Miami University and a MM in conducting from the University of Cincinnati/College-Conservatory of Music.



About [World House Choir](#)

Dr. Catherine Roma, Founder and Artistic Director

Mission: To perform music that motivates and inspires our communities toward justice, diversity, inclusion, and equality as we strive for peace and build our web of mutuality.

The World House Choir is a diverse, multi-cultural, mixed voice community choir whose repertoire is drawn from different traditions including classical, global, folk music, spirituals, gospel, and the music of peace and justice struggles worldwide.

Singing members are drawn from Dayton, Urbana, Springfield, Cedarville, Yellow Springs, Middletown, Cincinnati, and beyond. Celebrating their 5th season, the World House Choir has performed across the Miami Valley and Cincinnati tri-state in full-length concerts as well as appearances in support of organizations and institutions working for equality, justice and peace.



About [AlivenArts](#)

Rachel Kramer, CEO

AlivenArts' mission is to: Engage and energize the arts community creating relevant and effective dynamic arts educational programs with intentional collaborative design. AlivenArts' vision is to: Enrich Lives.

AlivenArts is dedicated to collaboration, arts participation and education. AlivenArts is not a performing arts organization but rather a modern-day impresario who sees needs and produces solutions - bridging ideas and productions with people and places. AlivenArts works with pre-college students through the well-elderly and has produced many events and now has the prototype of an APP and Website called "Scene" that will revolutionize the intersection of peoples' participation and the arts. In addition, AlivenArts developed and produced the first National Women's History Month Festival in March 2018. Other programming includes Cincinnati Pipelines and Piano Paintings.