



Arts In Movement: Courageous 8 Traveling Exhibit- Huntsville Tour

Art Exhibit Viewing & Panel Presentations

Presented By: AL Association for the Arts, Arts Huntsville, National Education & Empowerment Coalition, Friends of Selma to Montgomery National Historic Trails

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An arts exhibition and speaker series centered on the intersectionality of history, civics, art, and culture to include the examination of various art forms and their impacts on the movement for civil rights and social justice.

Through partnership, AL Association for the Arts, National Education and Empowerment Coalition, Arts Huntsville, and Friends of Selma to Montgomery National Historic Trails will manage the Huntsville Tour of the traveling exhibition based on Selma's voting rights activists, known by historians as the "Courageous Eight." These famous "Eight" were Rev. F.D. Reese, Ulysses Blackmon, Amelia Boynton-Robinson, Ernest Doyle, Marie Foster, James Gildersleeve, Rev. J.D. Hunter and Rev. Henry Shannon. These unsung heroes didn't get the same notoriety or name recognition as other historic figures, but they were instrumental in the fight for equal rights for African-Americans. Their stories of sacrifices and efforts during the Civil Rights Movement are now preserved in an artistic traveling exhibit that bears its name.

Huntsville Host Committee

AL Association for the Arts
Friends of Selma to Montgomery National Historic Trail
National Education & Empowerment Coalition
Huntsville Revisited Museum
Oakwood University Church
Arts Huntsville
AVIQ
Lift Our Vote





Sunday, June 16, 2024 4 pm- 6 pm, Private Mixer w/ special guests

Focus: Community leaders discuss the importance of preserving history through arts and culture.

Location: AVIQ

Monday, June 17, 2024

10 am- 4 pm, Public Viewing

6 pm- 8 pm, Intimate Mixer w/ Artist Phyllis Parks & special guests

Focus: Hear about the purpose behind the pieces from the artist and representatives of the

families of the Courageous 8

Location: Huntsville Revisited Museum

Tuesday, June 18, 2024 (National Civil Rights Conference Event)
6 pm- 8 pm, Public Exhibit Viewing & Youth Community Conversation

Focus: Youth roundtable styled conversation- Bridging the generational gap in history through

arts

Moderated By: Jasamine Byrd, Multi Skilled Journalist, WZDX Fox 54
Roundtable Panelists: Community High School & College Students

Location: Omega Center

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Wednesday, June 19, 2024 (Juneteenth) 1-7 PM, Self- Guided Viewing

Focus: Final Night for Viewing in the Huntsville area. Self-guided viewing.

Location: Oakwood University Church Family Life Center



