“For Ourselves and History”
“Anywhere We Are, Us Is”

THE ORGANIZATION US

45th Anniversary Celebration

Founded: September 7, 1965 by Dr. Maulana Karenga

“For Forty-Five Years of Service, Struggle & Institution-Building”

1965-2010 C.E. ▲ September 24-26 ▲ 6205-6250 A.F.E.

African American Cultural Center (Us)
3018 West 48th Street
Los Angeles, California
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and

Los Angeles Airport Renaissance Hotel
9620 Airport Boulevard
Los Angeles, California

A.F.E. After the Founding of Egypt / C.E. Common Era
**PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

▲ **Thursday, 23 September ’10**

**RECEPTION**
45th Anniversary of The Organization Us
Renaissance Hospitality Room
7:00pm–9:00pm

▲ **Friday, 24 September ’10** (All Sessions in Renaissance Ballroom)

Registration
8:00am -until
Opening and Welcoming __________________________
8:30–9:30am
Family and Community: Issues and Answers __________________________
9:30–11:00am
Health and Wholeness: People and the Environment __________________________
11:00am–12:30pm
Lunch on your own— 12:30–2:30pm
Education for Life: Mission and Models __________________________
2:30–4:00pm
Kawaida, Kwanzaa and the Nguzo Saba: Conversations With Our Culture– I __________________________
4:00–5:30pm
Dinner on your own – 5:30–7:00pm

**Nguzo Saba Town Hall Forum: “Black Politics in the Age of Obama”**
7:00–9:30pm

▲ **Saturday, 25 September ’10** (All Sessions in Renaissance Ballroom)

Kawaida and the Academy: Research and Insights– I __________________________
8:00–9:30am
Kawaida and the Academy: Research and Insights – II __________________________
9:30–11:15am

Us 45th Anniversary Awards Luncheon
12:00–2:30pm
Author’s Book Party
3:00–4:00pm
Creative Production: Perspectives and Performance __________________________
4:00–5:30pm
Kawaida, Kwanzaa and the Nguzo Saba: Conversations With Our Culture– II __________________________
5:30–6:30pm
Dinner on your own and free evening–See the City

▲ **Sunday, 26 September ’10** (African American Cultural Center (Us), 3018 West 48th Street, L. A.)

Saidi / Simba Conversations: Memory, Movement and Reaffirmation________________________
8:00–10:00am
Spirituality and Ethics: Faith of Our Fathers and Mothers __________________________
10:15–12:15am
PROGRAM

▲ THURSDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2010

Reception
45th Anniversary of The Organization Us

Renaissance – Hospitality Suite
7:00pm-9:00pm

▲ FRIDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER 2010

[All sessions in Renaissance Ballroom.]
Registration
8:00am – until
Opening and Welcoming
8:30am – 9:30am

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY: ISSUES AND ANSWERS

Friday, 24 September ’10 ▲ 9:30am-11:00am

Mr. Mpinduzi Khuthaza (Chair)
Chair, Organization and Alliance
The Organization Us, Los Angeles

Mr. Deloyd Parker
Executive Director, S.H.A.P.E. Community Center
Houston, Texas

Mr. Greg Akili
Sr. Manager of Field Training & Field Director
Region 1 at NAACP, Los Angeles, California

Ms. Jackie Ryan
Social Servant and Activist; Co-Owner, Zambezi Bazaar
Leimert Park Merchants Association, Los Angeles, California

Ratibu Jacocks-Shadidi
Westside Action Group
Inland Area Kwanzaa Committee, Rialto, California

Seba Tulivu Jadi
Seba, Temple of Kawaida; Archivist; Chair, Senu Society
Co-Vice-Chair, The Organization Us, Los Angeles
HEALTH AND WHOLENESS: OUR PEOPLE AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Friday, 24 September ’10 ▲ 11:00am-12:30pm

Ms. Thabiti Ambata (Chair)
Retired R.N., Assistant Treasurer, Public Relations Committee
The Organization Us, Los Angeles

Ms. Shadidi B. Chase-Kinsey
Executive Director, PEACE Health Center
Brooklyn, New York

Mr. Tony R. Wafford
National Director of Health and Wellness
National Action Network Los Angeles, California

Dr. Mtangulizi Sanyika
Professor Emeritus, Dillard University; Author
Scholar-Activist, New Orleans, Louisiana

Lunch on your own 12:30pm-2:30pm

EDUCATION FOR LIFE: MISSION AND MODELS

Friday, 24 September ’10 ▲ 2:30pm-4:00pm

Mr. Mshinda Nyofu (Chair)
Teacher, San Diego School District,
Principal, Limbiko Tembo Kawaida School of African American Culture (Us), Los Angeles

Dr. Freya Rivers / Shariba Rivers / Assata Moore
University of Chicago Charter School
Woodlawn Campus, Chicago, Illinois

Mr. Amejika Geuka
Founder/Chairman of Joseph Littles ~ Nguzo Saba Charter Schools, Inc.
West Palm Beach, Florida

Professor Kuumba Omar Montgomery
Director, Black Student Services
University of Colorado, Denver, Colorado
KAWAIDA, KWANZAA AND THE NGUZO SABA: CONVERSATIONS WITH OUR CULTURE – I
Dr. Maulana Karenga

Friday, 24 September ’10 ▲ 4:00pm-5:30pm

Dinner on your own 5:30pm-7:00pm

NGUZO SABA TOWN HALL FORUM

Friday, 24 September ’10 ▲ 7:00pm-9:30pm

“BLACK POLITICS IN THE AGE OF OBAMA”
Renaissance 2-5

Moderators

Dr. Maulana Karenga (Co-Moderator)
Chair, The Organization Us
Professor of Africana Studies
California State University, Long Beach

Ms. Dominique DiPrima (Co-Moderator)
Host of Front Page, Radio Free 102.3, KJLH
Renowned Radio Personality

Mr. Danny J. Bakewell, Sr.
President, NNPA
Executive Publisher/CEO,
The Los Angeles Sentinel

Hon. Wilma Amina Carter
Assemblymember, 62nd District, California

Hon. Dr. Mervyn M. Dymally
Emeritus Congressman
U.S. Congress, 52nd District, California;
Lieutenant Governor;
State Senator, 29th District;
State Assembly, 53rd District

Hon. Maxine Waters
Congresswoman 35th District, California

Hon. JoAnn Watson
Council Member, City of Detroit, Michigan

Mr. Mtumishi St. Julien
Executive Director,
Finance Authority of New Orleans

Hon. Roddy Wright
State Senate, 25th District, California

Dr. Munashe Furusa, Associate Dean,
College of Arts and the Humanities
California State University, Dominguez Hills

Professor Amen Rahh
Professor Emeritus,
Department of Black Studies
California State University, Long Beach
SATURDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER 2010

KAWAIDA AND THE ACADEMY: RESEARCH AND INSIGHTS – I
8:00am—9:30am

Seba Tiamoyo Karenga (Chair)
Seba, Temple of Kawaida; Archivist; Secretary/Treasurer
The Organization Us, Los Angeles

Dr. Segun Shabaka
Chair, New York Chapter
National Association of Kawaida Organizations (NAKO)

Dr. LaRese Neferet Hubbard
Assistant Professor, Department of Africana Studies
California State University, Long Beach

Dr. Adam Clark
Visiting Professor, Department of Theology
Xavier University, Cincinnati, Ohio

KAWAIDA AND THE ACADEMY: RESEARCH AND INSIGHTS – II
9:30—11:15am

Dr. Pat Reid Merritt (Chair)
Professor, Department of African American Studies,
Richard Stockton State University, Stockton, New Jersey
Director, Afro-One Dance, Drama and Drum Theatre, Inc.

Dr. Gloria Batiste-Roberts, LMSW-AP
Former President, National Association of Black Social Workers
Interim Executive Associate Dean, Thomas F. Freeman Honors College
Visiting Professor, Department of Social Work
Assistant Debate Coach, Texas Southern University

Dr. Aminifu Harvey
Professor, Department of Social Work
Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, North Carolina

Dr. Tim Lake
Assistant Professor; Director of Malcolm X Institute of Black Studies
Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana

Dr. Michael Tillotson
Formerly at Department of Africana Studies,
University of Houston, Texas
Us 45th Anniversary Awards Luncheon

DR. MOLEFI KETE ASANTE
Distinguished Keynote Speaker

Performance / Nana Dr. Camille Yarbrough

Saturday • 6250 N • September 25 • 2010 • 12:00-2:30pm
Renaissance Ballroom

Author’s Book Party 3:00pm-4:00pm

CREATIVE PRODUCTION: PERSPECTIVES AND PERFORMANCE
Saturday, 25 September ’10 • 4:00pm-5:30pm

Ms. Aminisha Tambuzi (Chair)
Co-Founder / Co-Director, Teye’sa Thiosanne Drum & Dance Company, San Diego
Reception and Protocol, The Organization Us, Los Angeles

Nana Dr. Camille Yarbrough
Cultural Activist, Writer, Composer, Actress

Ms. Muminina Jinamiza Barbara King
Founder/Chairperson, Africa-Newark International, Inc.
Newark, New Jersey

Ms. Ujima Goode Wema
Social Activist, Quilter
Member, The Organization Us, Los Angeles

Mr. Kalamu ya Salaam
Director, WordBand; Founder, NOMMO Literary Society
Moderator, CyberDrum, New Orleans, Louisiana

Mr. John Watusi Branch
Executive Director, Center for Culture
African Poetry Theatre, Jamaica, New York
KAWaida, Kwanzaa AND THE nguzo Saba: Conversations WITH our CULTURE –I
Dr. Maulana Karenga
Saturday, 25 September ‘10 ▲ 5:30pm-6:30pm

Dinner on your own

▲ SUNDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER 2010
African American Cultural Center (Us), 3018 West 48th Street, Los Angeles

SAIDI/SIMBA CONVERSATIONS: Memory, Movement AND Reaffirmation
Sunday, 26 September ‘10 ▲ 8:00am-10:00am

Saidi / Simba

Mr. Robert Tambuzi
Mr. Robert Chochezi

Mr. Wasifu Tangulifu
Mr. Karl Key-Hekima (Invited)

Mr. Johnnie Tambuzi
Mr. James Doss-Tayari (Invited)

Mr. Oliver Heshimu
Dr. Clyde Daniels-Halisi (Invited)

Mr. Ken Msemaji
Mr. Reginald Endesha, (Invited)

Mr. Charles Sigidi

SPIRITUALITY AND ETHICS: “Faith of our Fathers AND Mothers”
Sunday, 26 September ‘10 ▲ 10:00am-12:00pm

Seba Dr. Maulana Karenga (Chair)
Seba, Temple of Kawaida
Chair, The Organization Us, Los Angeles

Pastor Joel Washington (Khunanpu Sangoma)
Keeping Africana Faith & ELCA 1st Call Candidate
(Evangelical Lutheran Church in America)

Seba Chimbuko Tembo
Seba, Temple of Kawaida; Chair, Senut Society
Co-Vice Chair, The Organization Us, Los Angeles

Dr. Mtangulizi Sanyika
Professor Emeritus, Dillard University; Author
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