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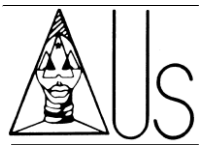
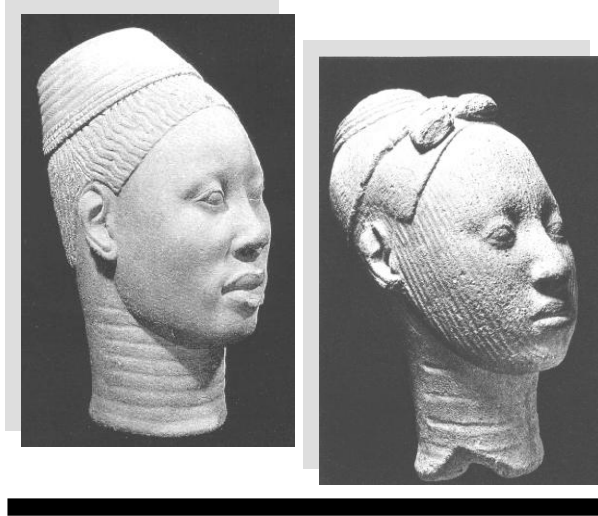
*"Anywhere We Are, Us Is"*

# THE ORGANIZATION US

45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

*Founded: September 7, 1965 by Dr. Maulana Karenga*

*"Forty-Five Years of Service, Struggle & Institution-Building"*



1965-2010<sub>C.E.</sub> ▲ September 24-26 ▲ 6205-6250<sub>A.F.E.</sub>

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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 Renaissance Hospitality Room  
 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The Organization Us 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 45<sup>th</sup> 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 48<sup>th</sup> 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

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▲ THURSDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2010

*Reception*

*45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The Organization Us*

*Renaissance ~ Hospitality Suite*

7:00pm-9:00pm

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▲ FRIDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER 2010

Registration

Opening and Welcoming

[All sessions in Renaissance Ballroom.]

8:00am - until

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 ▲ 2:30am-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. Amefika 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

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

Hon. Wilma Amina Carter  
Assemblymember, 62<sup>nd</sup> District, California

Professor Amen Rahn  
Professor Emeritus,  
Department of Black Studies  
California State University, Long Beach

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

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

Hon. Maxine Waters  
Congresswoman 35<sup>th</sup> District, California

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

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

Hon. Roddy Wright  
State Senate, 25<sup>th</sup> District, California

▲ SATURDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER 2010

[All sessions in Renaissance 1]

*KAWAIDA AND THE ACADEMY: RESEARCH AND INSIGHTS – I*

8:00am–9:30am

Seba Tiamoyo Karenga (Chair)

Seba, Temple of Kawaiida; Archivist; Secretary/Treasurer  
The Organization Us, Los Angeles

Dr. Segun Shabaka

Chair, New York Chapter  
National Association of Kawaiida 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 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Awards Luncheon

DR. MOLEFI KETE ASANTE

DISTINGUISHED KEYNOTE SPEAKER

*Performance* / Nana Dr. Camille Yarbrough

Saturday ▲ 6250<sub>AFT</sub> September 25 2010<sub>CE</sub> ▲ 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

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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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