



## MEDIA RELEASE

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### FEBRUARY PROGRAMS AT THE LEWIS

- *Museum Open on Tuesdays during Black History Month*

**January 21, 2010 – (Baltimore, MD)** February is a special month for the Reginald F. Lewis Museum, as it celebrates the 2010 Black History Month theme of Economic Empowerment. This theme honors the accomplishments of the museum's namesake, **Reginald F. Lewis**, who was chair and chief executive officer of TLC Beatrice International, the largest U.S. company owned by an African American during his lifetime. Visitors are invited to enjoy a variety of events recognizing this theme, as well as events that promote the museum's special exhibition *From Process to Print: Graphic Works by Romare Bearden*.

*(images available upon request)*

### February

\* *indicates Black History Month themed program*

**Saturday, February 6, 1 p.m.**

***Nickel and Dime Your Way To Wealth: The 7 Wealthy Habits of Successful People\****  
Author and Wealth Coach **Deborah Owens** shares seven principles to achieve personal financial goals. Ms. Owens hosts "Wealthy Lifestyle Radio" a personal finance talk show on WEEA 88.9 FM in Baltimore, MD.

**Free with museum admission.**

**In partnership with the College Savings Plans of Maryland.**

**Sunday, February 7, 2 p.m.**

***Cultural Economics: Black Historical and Financial Wealth\****

Join historian **Anthony T. Browder** and learn how African Americans can build wealth. Browder is the author of four publications, including *From the Browder File: 22 Essays on the African American Experience* and *Nile Valley Contributions to Civilization*.

A book signing will follow the program.

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**Friday, February 12, 8 p.m.**

**Floetic Friday featuring E the Poet-Emcee**

Enjoy an evening of poetry and music with the Black Diamond band, an open mic, and featured performer **E the Poet-Emcee**. Patrons will also be able to view the creative works of young emerging artists and tour the special exhibition. (Hosted by the museum youth volunteers, "The Travelers"). For more information, call 443-263-1875.

**Sponsored in part by Verizon Wireless.**

**\$6 members, \$8 non-members**

**Saturday, February 13, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

**Children's Financial Workshop: Tomorrow's Entrepreneurs (Ages 9 to 12) \***

Children will meet young entrepreneurs and learn essential components of running a business. A basic workshop on financial literacy will be presented by The Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship (NFTE).

To register, please call 443-263-1828.

**Free with family membership. Non-members: \$4**

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**Saturday, February 13, 2 p.m.**

**Music in Sight, Reflections by a Rhythm Master**

Maryland artist and Howard University Professor, Al Smith, Jr., shares his perspective on "seeing" music and rhythms in the works of Romare Bearden and other African American artists.

**Free with museum admission.**

**Saturday, February 20, 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.**

**Civic Frame & The Reginald F. Lewis Museum Present *Adam Clayton Powell & Chisholm '72-- Unbought & Unbossed: A Mini-Film Festival***

This event features two award-winning documentaries about historical leaders Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. and Shirley Chisholm. After the films, a panel of politicians, activists, and scholars explore how race, gender, class, power, and personalities shaped black political agency during the civil rights era.

**Free program, no museum admission required.**

**Saturday, February 20, 1 p.m.**

**The Lines Connect Book Club Presents *Your Money and Your Man: How You and Prince Charming Can Spend Well and Live Rich* by Michelle Singletary \***

Join us as we discuss *Washington Post* financial columnist and author **Michelle Singletary's** book about love and finance in today's economy.

**Free program, no museum admission required.**

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**Saturday, February 27, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. (Ages 6 to 8)**

**What's Your Story? Art Workshop**

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Maryland artist **Gina Lewis** guides youth through the process of storytelling and illustrating their stories using a collage. This program is in conjunction with *From Process to Print: Graphic Works by Romare Bearden*.

To register, please call (443) 263-1828.

**\$2 (activity fee) with family membership. Non-members: \$6**

**Saturday, February 27, 2 p.m.**

**Dr. Robert Steele on Romare Bearden**

**Dr. Robert Steele**, director of the David C. Driskell Center at the University of Maryland, College Park, discusses the cultural significance of prints by Romare Bearden and other African American artists. He will also discuss collecting African American art prints. **Free with museum admission.**

**Sunday, February 28, 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.**

**From the Heart: An Afternoon of Heart Health and Education for the Entire Family**

The University of Maryland Medical System offers fun, heart-healthy activities for the family including cooking demonstrations, free health screenings, educational sessions on cholesterol, blood pressure, stroke, diabetes prevention and more!

**Free with museum admission.**

*The Reginald F. Lewis Museum is Baltimore's premier facility highlighting the history and accomplishments of African Americans with a special focus on Maryland's African American community. A Smithsonian affiliate, the museum is the East Coast's largest African American museum occupying an 82,000 square-foot facility with ample permanent and special exhibition space, interactive learning environments, auditorium, resource center, oral history recording studio, museum shop, café, classrooms, meeting rooms, outside terrace and reception areas. The museum is located near Baltimore's Inner Harbor at the corner of Pratt and President Streets. For more information, please call 443-263-1800 or visit the museum's website at [www.AfricanAmericanCulture.org](http://www.AfricanAmericanCulture.org)*

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