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Dear Friend,

The Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA) is a proud supporter of Los Angeles' 2012 African American Heritage Celebration. This celebration will promote and encourage an awareness of the significant contributions made by our City's African Americans in culture, education, politics, business, technology, and the arts.

As part of this celebration, our Department is once again creating a comprehensive calendar and cultural guide showcasing quality African American artists from across Los Angeles and will list the numerous events, exhibitions, lectures, and festivals related to this annual celebration of African American culture.

Our goals are to expose Angelenos to the great works of our local visual and literary artists, and to make them aware of the exciting cultural events happening as part of the celebration. We also want to encourage their appreciation of LA's African American past artistic traditions and today's modern contemporary styles.

To assist us, we invite you to please submit images of your visual or literary works of art via email to marta.stork@lacity.org. Please only send high-resolution images (300 DPI or larger) and short works of poetry appropriate for publication. Please include all credit information with all works submitted.

The deadline for event submissions is January 5, 2012.

We appreciate your help and look forward to commemorating African American heritage and traditions in Los Angeles through this special annual publication. Should you have any questions regarding this annual calendar and cultural guide, please contact my assistant editor, Martica Caraballo Stork, at 213.202.5556.

Sincerely,

Will Caperton y Montoya
Director of Marketing and Development
City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs