

NGUZO SABA
The Seven Principles

Umoja (Unity)

To strive for and maintain unity in the family, community, nation and race.

Kujichagulia (Self-Determination)

To define ourselves, name ourselves, create for ourselves and speak for ourselves.

Ujima (Collective Work and Responsibility)

To build and maintain our community and make our brother's and sister's problems our problems and to solve them together.

Ujamaa (Cooperative Economics)

To build and maintain our own stores, shops and other businesses and to profit from them together.

Nia (Purpose)

To make our collective vocation the building and developing of our community in order to restore our people to their traditional greatness.

Kuumba (Creativity)

To do always as much as we can, in the way we can, in order to leave our community more beautiful and beneficial than we inherited it.

Imani (Faith)

To believe with all our heart in our people, our parents, our teachers, our leaders and the righteousness and victory of our struggle.

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Creator of Kwanzaa



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cordially invites you to attend the

45th Anniversary Awards Luncheon

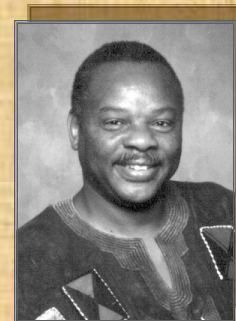
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Saturday, 25 September 2010

Los Angeles Renaissance Hotel
9620 Airport Boulevard
Los Angeles, California

11:30am Reception ▲ 12:00pm Luncheon

African Attire Welcomed
▲ Response Card Enclosed ▲



Keynote Luncheon Speaker

Dr. Molefi Kete Asante

Professor, African American Studies
Temple University
Founder, Afrocentricity
Author, *The Afrocentric Manifesto* and
Maulana Karenga: An Intellectual Portrait
Prolific author, educator & poet

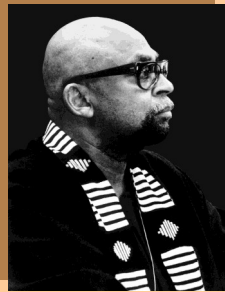
In Conjunction With the:

NGUZO SABA 2010 Conference
Friday thru Sunday, / 24-26 September 2010

Theme: *"Kawaida, Kwanzaa and the Nguzo Saba:
Best Practices, Critical Thinking and Capacity Building"*

Issues:
Education – Economics – Political Practice – Creative Production –
Health & Wholeness – Family & Male/Female Relations
Spirituality & Ethics – Rites of Passage – Practicing Kwanzaa –
Environmental Ethics – Cultural Grounding

Presenters (partial list):
Dr. Maulana Karenga, Dr. Patricia Reid-Merritt, Hon. JoAnn Watson
Dr. Haki Madhubuti, Dr. Aminifu Harvey, Mr. Kalamu ya Salaam
Dr. Gloria Baptiste Roberts, Dr. Tim Lake
Dr. Adam Clark, Ms. Maisha Ongoza, Dr. Segun Shabaka
Prof. Mtangulizi Sanyika, Atty. Mtumishi St. Julien
Mr. Kamau Tychimba, Dr. Freya Rivers ... and others



This 45th Anniversary of the Nguzo Saba, Kawaida and Us finds us still committed to our original vision and culturally-grounded practices of work, service, struggle and institution-building. Ours is a deep-rooted and active commitment to know our past and honor it, to engage our present and improve it and to imagine a new future and to forge it in the most ethical and expansive ways. Moreover, it is to practice the Nguzo Saba, the Seven Principles: *Umoja* (Unity), *Kujichagulia* (Self-Determination), *Ujima* (Collective Work and Responsibility), *Ujamaa* (Cooperative Economics), *Nia* (Purpose), *Kuumba* (Creativity) and *Imani* (Faith) in our daily lives.

Undergirding all our work is the 7th principle, *Imani*, which teaches us to believe in the sacred and Transcendent, and in the practice and promise of the Nguzo Saba. It reaffirms the faith of our ancestors that we can, indeed, fill the emptiness in human life with relations and practices that cultivate and fulfill hope, bring happiness and give meaning and measure to our lives.

It teaches us the faith of our foremothers and forefathers that reassures us we can find and put in place just solutions to the many conflicts which consume and divide our world; that we can repair shattered lives; make peace in the midst of war; find long-sought cures for devastating diseases; end the scourge of famine; and build solidarity based on mutual respect and cooperation for mutual benefit and good in the world. And this principle is also an ongoing reaffirmation of that Fanonian faith that we, African people, along with other peoples of the world, can indeed start a new history of humankind and bring into being a new world and a new man, woman and child who will cherish each other, sustain the good world and pass on this good to future generations.

Come and join us for conference and/or lunch. And if you wish to congratulate us on our work, service, struggle and institution-building over these 45 years, take out a congratulations ad in our souvenir booklet. Whether you do all or one, we are grateful. And in the tradition of our ancestors, we wish for you and yours, blessings without number and all good things without end. Tutaonana. We trust we will see you soon.

Dr. Maulana Karenga, Executive Director
African American Cultural Center

Our Programmatic Initiatives

- African American Cultural Center
- Kawaida Institute of Pan-African Studies
- Limbiko Tembo Kawaida School of African American Culture
- Rites of Passage Program
- Mateka (Prisoners) Support Program
- Senu and Senut Societies
- Timbuktu Book Circle
- Coalition for Equitable and Sustainable Development in Africa
- Committee in Solidarity with Haiti

Information / Ticket Purchase / Registration

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45TH ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE and LUNCHEON CELEBRATION

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