Honoring a Legacy That Still Inspires

2012 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunrise Celebration

Monday, January 23 - 6:30 a.m.
Dallas Convention Center
Room A2
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: Honoring a Legacy That Still Inspires

Welcome
Virginia Moore  Co-chair, Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Task Force

Audience Participation
“Lift Ev’ry Voice and Sing”
(words on back cover of program)

Molly Raphael  ALA President, 2011-12
Keith Michael Fiels  ALA Executive Director
Jon Gregory  World Book, Inc.
Maria F. Kramer  President, National Association to Promote Library & Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish Speaking (REFORMA)
Min Chou  President, Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA)
Jos N. Holman  President, Black Caucus of the American Library Association (BCALA)
Sandy Wee  President, Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association (APALA)
Sandy Littletree  President, American Indian Library Association (AILA)
Tess Tobin  Chair, ALA Ethnic and Multicultural Information Exchange Round Table (EMIERT)
Anne L. Moore  Chair, ALA Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Round Table (GLBTRT)
Jane Glasby  Coordinator, ALA Social Responsibilities Round Table (SRRT)
Alexandra P. Rivera  Chair, ALA Committee on Diversity

Introduction of Keynote
John C. Sandstrom  Chair, ALA Office for Literacy and Outreach Services (OLOS) Advisory Committee

Keynote
Rev. Dr. Lewis V. Baldwin  Professor of Religious Studies, Vanderbilt University

Call-to-Action Speaker
Oralia Garza de Cortés  Past-President, National Association to Promote Library & Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish Speaking (REFORMA)
Juliet I. Machie  Chair, ALA Committee on Literacy
Jennifer Peterson  Chair, ALA Committee on Rural, Native and Tribal Libraries of All Kinds and Executive Board Member, The Association for Rural & Small Libraries (ARSL)

Mike Marlin  Member, ASCLA Accessibility Assembly
Tamika Barnes  1998 Spectrum Scholarship Recipient
Linda Crook  President, New Members Round Table (NMRT)
Robbie Reasoner  ASCLA Library Services to the Incarcerated and Detained Youth Interest Group
Janice Rice  
Co-Chair, 2012 Joint Conference of Librarians of Color

Haipeng Li  
Co-Chair, 2012 Joint Conference of Librarians of Color

**Closing**

Andrew P. Jackson  
(Sekou Molefi Baako)  
Co-chair, Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Task Force

**Audience Participation**

“We Shall Overcome”  
(words on back cover of program)

*Thanks to World Book, Inc. for providing refreshments*

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**Featured Speakers**

**Rev. Dr. Lewis V. Baldwin** has written and edited several books, including his latest, “Thou Dear God: Prayers That Open Hearts and Spirits” (Beacon, 2011), the first and only collection of 68 prayers by Dr. King. His other titles include “Toward the Beloved Community: Martin Luther King, Jr. and South Africa” (Pilgrim Press, 1995), “To Make the Wounded Whole: The Cultural Legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.” (Augsburg Fortress, 1992) and “There is a Balm in Gilead: The Cultural Roots of Martin Luther King, Jr.” (Augsburg Fortress, 1991). Dr. Baldwin’s acclaimed work has won the American Theological Library Association Award and the Midwest Book Achievement Award of the Midwest Independent Publishers Association. An ordained Baptist minister, Dr. Baldwin came of age during the Civil Rights and Black Power eras. He participated in student demonstrations and other civil rights activities while attending college, experiences that would profoundly influence his work as a historian, author and professor. Dr. Baldwin’s participation in the 2012 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Sunrise Celebration is made possible through the generous support of Beacon Press and Random House, Inc.

**Oralia Garza de Cortés** has been a leading voice for multicultural children’s literature and library services for Latino children and families for more than 30 years. She was the first Latina elected to the Executive Board of the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC), during which time she co-founded the Pura Belpré Award, the premier children’s literature award presented annually to a Latino/Latina writer and illustrator. Additionally, she has served on several prestigious children’s book award committees, including the Caldecott Award Selection Committee. Through her work with REFORMA, she played a leading role in establishing and promoting El día de los niños/El día de los libros (Children’s Day/Book Day), an annual nationwide literacy event that celebrates children, books, languages and culture throughout the United States. A native of Brownsville, Texas, Garza de Cortés has a Masters degree in Library and Information Science from the University of Texas at Austin. She has worked as a children’s librarian for the San Antonio, Austin and Houston public library systems throughout her career.

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*Special thanks to Beacon Press for their support of Dr. Baldwin’s participation in this morning’s event.*

Beacon Press is the publisher of “Thou Dear God: Prayers That Open Hearts and Spirits,” the first and only collection of 68 prayers by Dr. King, edited by Dr. Baldwin.

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**Lift Ev’ry Voice and Sing**  
Lyrics: James Weldon Johnson; Music: John Rosamond Johnson

Lift ev’ry voice and sing,  
‘Til earth and heaven ring,  
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;  
Let our rejoicing rise  
High as the listening skies,  
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.  
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,  
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;  
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,  
Let us march on ’til victory is won.  
Stony the road we trod,  
Bitter the chast’ning rod,  
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;  
Yet with a steady beat,  
Have not our weary feet  
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?  
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,  
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,  
Out from the gloomy past,  
‘Til now we stand at last  
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.  
God of our weary years,  
God of our silent tears,  
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;  
Thou who has by Thy might  
Led us into the light,  
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.  
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,  
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;  
Shadowed beneath Thy hand,  
May we forever stand,  
True to our God,  
True to our native land.

**We Shall Overcome**  
Traditional; Derived from “I’ll Overcome Someday,” by Charles Albert Tindley

We shall overcome, we shall overcome,  
We shall overcome someday;  
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,  
We shall overcome someday.  
The Lord will see us through, The Lord will see us through,  
The Lord will see us through someday;  
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,  
We shall overcome someday.  
We’re on to victory, We’re on to victory,  
We’re on to victory someday;  
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,  
We’re on to victory someday.  
We'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand,  
We'll walk hand in hand someday;  
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,  
We'll walk hand in hand someday.  
We are not afraid, we are not afraid,  
We are not afraid today;  
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,  
We are not afraid today.  
The truth shall make us free, the truth shall make us free,  
The truth shall make us free someday;  
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,  
The truth shall make us free someday.  
We shall live in peace, we shall live in peace,  
We shall live in peace someday;  
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,  
We shall live in peace someday.

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