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BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION COMES TO GALLERYCA

# "Peacemaker"

**Written by Arnold Pinnix**

January 29 – February 2, 2015

Gallery CA (440 E. Oliver St.)

Beginning January 29, 2015 and running through February 2, 2015, Gallery CA (located in the City Arts Building) will host a phenomenal performance revealing the rarely seen development (from boy to leader) of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., in a Community Theater production called *The Peacemaker,* Written by Arnold Pinnix and Directed by Daniel Wynne. This feature exposes the many layers of a young boy King whose "dream" forever changed a nation...our nation.

The scheduled performances are as follows:

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| Thursday, January 29, 2015 | 7:30pm |
| Friday, January 30, 2015 | 7:30 pm |
| Saturday, January 31, 2015 | 7:30pm |
| Sunday, February 1, 2014 | 3:30 pm |
| Monday, February 2, 2015 | 7:30pm |

**This is a FREE EVENT (Donations will be accepted at the door)**
**Save your seat and RSVP @** http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/805096
**For More Information please visit galleryca.org/peacemaker or email info@galleryca.org**

Peppered with oratory and seasoned with song, 'The Peacemaker' dramatizes crucial moments in the life and career of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., that extends from his boyhood years to his untimely death in 1968. The script also portrays characters that were paramount in his development from boy to man, including: his wife, Coretta Scott; Martin Luther King, Sr., referred to as "Daddy King"; his mother, Alberta King; civil rights leader, Ralph Abernathy; and many others.

The play will feature community members, such as Ryan Palmer, portraying Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., (Pastor of Seventh Metro Baptist Church. This stylized production will also feature Darriel Harris, Mary Riley, Harriett Noakes, and Angelique Bullock.

ABOUT THE PLAYWRIGHT

Arnold Pinnix, the creator of *'The Peacemaker'*, is an award-winning playwright and actor. His plays have been produced by the Negro Ensemble Company, The National Black Theatre, Harlem School of The Arts, Karamu Theatre in Ohio, New York's New Federal Theatre, The Actors Studio, and the Theatre of the Riverside Church. In addition to 'The Peacemaker', Pinnix has written 'Junk', a musical play for young people; 'Judgment Day', based on the life of Tupac Shakur; 'Laid To Rest', a New Orleans-based musical about the funeral business; and 'Free To Learn', a musical based on the Brown vs. Board of Education Supreme Court decision of 1954. Mr. Pinnix graduated from North Carolina A&T State University in 1985.

ABOUT THE DIRECTOR

Daniel Wynne also graduated from North Carolina A&T State University in 1985 under the leadership of Dr. H.D. Flowers, II. The director states, "I do this in remembrance of a great educational leader, Dr. H.D. Flowers II. Dr. Flowers is a legend in educational black theatre across the country." Join us in this exciting, new humanistic view of a reluctant leader becoming a legend for us of all races to be proud.

*****now accepting school groups for a minimum of 20 students for Monday, Feb 2nd, 10am. Must schedule before January 1, 2015 by calling 410-528-9239***

This Black History Month production is dedicated in remembrance of Dr. H.D.Flowers, II. Portions of your suggested donation will go to Coppin State University's Visual and Performing Arts Department, Bowie State University's Scholarship Fund Honoring Dr. H.D. Flowers, II, to generate revenue to create 'Friends of VPA at CSU' and to support an adjunct fund for all adjuncts in state of Maryland.

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GALLERY CA is a contemporary arts space devoted to showcasing local, regional, national and international artists. The gallery also serves as an agent for community engagement by offering regular programming and creating sustainable partnerships with local arts institutions and community organizations. GALLERY CA is located on the ground floor of the City Arts building, which houses 69 artist live/work spaces.