

**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH
2024**

**AFRICAN
AMERICANS
AND THE ARTS**

**PETALUMA BLACKS
FOR COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT**

African American artists have used art to preserve history and community memories as well as for empowerment.

Events

**Feb 2
Opening Jazz
Concert with
Dorian Mode at the
Petaluma Historical
Library and Museum
6:30pm**

Refreshments downstairs and upstairs, wonderful view and Champagne upstairs. Tickets are \$40 Upstairs and \$35 Downstairs. Doors open at 6:30pm. and the start time is 7:00pm. The library is located at 20 4th Street in Downtown Petaluma.

Purchase tickets at petalumamuseum.com.

**Feb 4
Art in Conversation:
Denise Ward with
Orin Carpenter
at the Petaluma Arts
Center
1:00 - 2:00pm**



Orin wrote on his webpage, "I have the power to bring others into the world I experience through the lens of my creations. I have the power to educate, elevate, and challenge anyone who encounters my works of art. My art invites everyone to see the world through my eyes and hopefully change their perception with a new vision and offer them the opportunity to share in the journey... my journey." The Petaluma Arts Center is located at 230 Lakeville Street.

Tickets are \$10. Purchase tickets at petalumaaartscenter.org.

**Feb 9
Opening of Exhibit
with Makeda Kumasi
at the Petaluma
Historical Library and
Museum
6:30pm**

The exhibit *African Americans and the Arts*. The exhibit will include many familiar names and their work, and some historical and less known Black artist. Makeda will be our entertainment for the Opening. She is from San Bernardino and is a

dancer, storyteller and much more. She will mystify us with one of her original stories. Tickets are \$10 for the Opening Event (no one will be turned away). The library and museum is located at 20 4th Street in Downtown Petaluma. The exhibit will run from Feb 9 - March 31, 2024. The museum is open Thu through Sun, 10 am to 4 pm. The exhibit is free. Purchase tickets for the opening at the door.

**Feb 15
Tina Rogers at
the Polly Klaas
Community Center
6:00pm, 7:00pm**



Tina Rogers will perform two 30 minutes shows all about Hip Hop as part of the February Arts Alive art experience and the celebration of Black History Month. The Polly Klaas Community Center is located at 417 Western Avenue. This event is free to the public.

**Feb 17
Keenan Webster
at the Petaluma
Library
10:30am**



Join musician Keenan Webster as he shares the vibrant music of the banjo related instruments of West Africa, music and demonstration for children of all ages. The regional library is located at 100 Fairgrounds Drive. This event is free to the public

**Feb 18
Art in Conversation:
Denise Ward with
Rose Hill
at the Museum of
Sonoma County
1:00 - 2:00pm**



Rose's work captures Black Americana, holds onto it, and turns it around as something positive that reminds the

viewer of their love of family, respect for their history, and the universal touchpoints that invite discourse and community. Tickets are \$7 for Students and Seniors. \$10 for non-members and free for members. The Museum of Sonoma County is located at 425 7th Street in Santa Rosa. Purchase tickets at museumsc.org.

**Feb 24
Annual Black History
Program
5:30pm**

A program of music, dance, education and fun at New Life Christian Church at 1310 Clegg Street. This event is free and open to the public.



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