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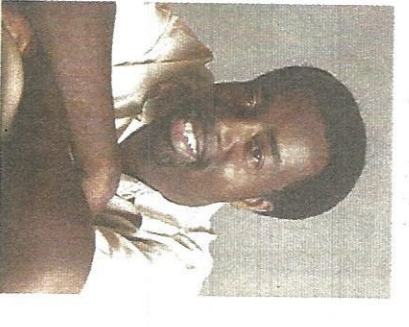
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MEET THE AUTHORS OF COLOR

LOCAL WRITERS GROUP HOSTS FREE PROGRAM IN MIAMI GARDENS SATURDAY

The Ralph Hogges and Ben Cowins Writers Group of Ft. Lauderdale will host Speak, n & Sail a gathering and celebration of authors of color. The free program will be 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. July 15 at Betty T. Ferguson Recreational Complex, 3000 NW 199th Ave., Miami Gardens.

Several authors will speak. The Ralph Hogges and Ben Cowins Writers Group in Ft. Lauderdale is an organization for beginning and established writers. At monthly meetings, writers gather to engage and discuss their literary works. There is help with editing and refining literary works as well as assistance with identifying publishers and getting manuscripts published. The group assists writers with marketing their books and organizes and hosts an annual book festival and writers conference.

For more information, contact Dr. Ralph Hogges at his email address: ralphhogges@bellsouth.net or visit www.ralphhogges.com.

MEET THE AUTHORS LORRAINE ALLEN

Lorraine Allen was born and raised in Overtown. She attended Miami-Dade County Public Schools. She began writing poetry and songs in her youth. She is the author of

the book, "57 Poems Of & For Life."

ASIAH WOLFOLEK-MANNING

Asiah Wolfolk-Manning is an attorney and inspirational speaker. She is the author of several books, including "Unlimit Yourself" and "Be Empowered A to Z: Your Guide to Living Life Unlimited."

ALASTAIR SAMUEL BASDEN

Alastair Samuel Basden has

taught in public schools for more than 24 years in both America and The Bahamas. He is the founding pastor of the Springs of Living Waters Worship Centre in Pembroke Pines. Basden's book is "Called: A Theological and Practical Guide to Christian Leadership."

SHELLY CAMERON

Shelly Cameron is an author, coach and human

resources consultant. She has written two books on success strategies and leadership. Her research on the Leadership Challenge was published in the Journal of American Academy of Business Cambridge.

JEFF CARROLL

Jeff Carroll is pioneering what he calls hip-hop horror, sci/fi and fantasy. He has Please turn to **AUTHORS 2C**

Speak, Sign & Sail event in Miami Gardens July 15

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written and produced two films and has written more than five science fiction and nonfiction books. Carroll produces "The Forster Panel, a traveling sci-panel.

ROSEMARIE COLE

Rosemarie Cole is a medical assistant at the Jessie Trice Health Center. A writer of diverse genres, she is the author of four books.

BENJAMIN COWINS SR.

Benjamin Cowins Sr., the founder and vice president of the writers group, is a semi-retired public school educator. He is the author or co-author of five books.

SUSAN LYCETT DAVIS

Susan "Dr. Sue" Lygett Davis is a university professor, organizational leadership consultant, actress, motivational speaker and poet. She is the author of two books of poems: "Miss Lou... From the Soul of Dr. Sue" and "I am Matica."

teacher from Jamaica living in the United States. She is the author of the book, "Through the Valley."

TAMEKA BRADLEY HOBBS

Tameka Bradley Hobbs is a professor of African American history and the author of the award winning book, "Democracy Abroad, Lynching at Home: Racial Violence in Florida (University Press of Florida).

RALPH HOGGES

Ralph Hogges, the founder and president of the writers group, is a retired professor and administrator of Nova Southeastern University. As a writer of diverse genres, he is the author of 16 books.

DIANA JACKSON

Diana Jackson is a retired registered nurse and an African-American poetess from South Florida. She is the author of the book, "Through These Brown Eyes."

WINSOME MINOTT

Winsome Minott is a chartered accountant. She is the



Patricia Reid-Waugh

PATRICIA REID-WAUGH
Patricia Reid-Waugh is a retired chartered accountant. She has published her first book, "Retirement: A New Adventure."



Aliya Stanford

the vice president of Branch Operations at the University of Miami Credit Union. She is the author of the book, "Retirement of Madness."

INDIANA ROBINSON

Indiana Robinson is the author of 10 books and writes in the escapism style across

SHARON RITCHIE-BROWN

Sharon Ritchie-Brown is

genres. Her works include picture books of artworks, biographies for the Pioneers reggae group, and short stories and poems in her "Back to Reality" series.

DELORES M. SMILEY

Delores M. Smiley is retired from Nova Southeastern University. As a writer of nonfiction, she is the author of the book, "The Harvest: Keeping it Real."

GWENDOLYN SMITH

Gwendolyn Smith is a practitioner in the nexus of conflict and community development. She has published in journals and a book, "Conflict and Sustainability in a Changing Environment: Through the Eyes of Communities."

ALIYA STANFORD

Aliya Stanford retired from civil service in 2014 in order

to pursue the idea of writing fantasy stories for young and young-at-heart readers. She is the author of the book, "Process So'la, In My World."

ROSE STIFFIN

Rose Stiffin is a professor at Florida Memorial University. She is the author of several books including "Reflections, Groovin' on the Half Shell" and "A Winter Friend." Her work in progress is the novel, "Casino Blues."

TAMEKA A. WILLIAMS

Tameka A. Williams is an educator in the public school system and a youth counselor. She is the author of the books: "10 Questions to Help You Find that Amazing Partner" and "Take Back Your Life: How to Triumph through Adversity."