

**Councilwoman Erika L. Green and BREC Presents:
2019 Black History Month Event
Present Day History: Channeling the Past, Changing the Narrative**

During the month of February, our nation formally celebrates the many contributions African Americans have made to our country and heritage.

On **Thursday, February 22, 2018**, at **Independence Theatre**, 7800 Independence Blvd., Councilwoman Erika L. Green in partnership with BREC will host "*Present Day History: Channeling the Past, Changing the Narrative*". The program will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m.

Previously, this event has provided a memorable experience for Baton Rouge, with the largest percentage of attendees ranging from 13-25 years of age. This year we have a wide range of participants including Special Guest Speaker Mychal Bell (Jena 6), Top Teens, Kappa League, Destiny Washington, J.K. Haynes Charter School, Cadillac Street Kids at Play, a local artist display, and more.

The goal of the program is to curate an artistic expression by celebrating moments of Black history inspired by our city, Baton Rouge. We will also honor local attorneys who have boldly taken a stand against civil injustices with the Narrative Changers Leadership Award.

The event is **FREE** and open to the public for **ALL** ages! We encourage everyone to attend.

WHO: Councilwoman Erika L. Green in partnership with BREC, sponsored by Atchafalaya National Heritage Area (ANHA) and Cumulus Radio

WHAT: Present Day History: Channeling the Past, Changing the Narrative

WHEN: Thursday, February 21, 2019 - 6:30pm

WHERE: Independence Park Theatre, 7800 Independence Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70806

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