



Hooks Institute Celebrates African Americans Contribution American History, and Reaches the Top of Mount Kilimanjaro

Mark your Calendar for these February Events!

On February 24, 2015

From 12 to 1:30 pm on February 12th, Daniel Matlin, Lecturer, History, at King's College London, and co-winner of the Hooks Institute National Book Award will speak on his winning book *On the Corner: African American Intellectuals and the Urban Crisis* (Harvard Univ. Press). The lunch and lecture will be held at the University of Memphis, University Center Bluff Room (UC 308). Lunch, courtesy of the Hooks Institute, will begin at 12 pm. This event is free and open to the public. The Hooks Institute National Book Award Committee selected *On the Corner: African American Intellectuals and the Urban Crisis* and *How it Feels to Be Free: Black Women Entertainers and the Civil Rights Movement* (Oxford) by Ruth Feldstein as co-winners of its 2013 National Book Award. The award recognizes publications that best advance an understanding of the American civil rights movement and its legacy. The event is co-sponsored by the Department of History, the Department of Sociology, and the Marcus Orr Center for the Humanities and the Center for Research on Women, the Graduate Association for African American History at the University of Memphis, and Harvard University Press.



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From 5:30 -7:30 pm on February 24th, the Hooks Institute will host a special release event for its Mapping Civil Rights History and Tent City websites. The Mapping Civil Rights History website will allow users to explore pivotal civil rights locations in the Mid-South through photos and history on the interactive map. The Tent City website chronicles the struggles as well as the victories of Civil Rights Era activists in Fayette County,

Tennessee. That Movement began in 1959 when African Americans demanded the right to vote. The website release event will be held at the University of Memphis, University Center River Room (UC 300). This event is free and open to the public.



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Hike for Kilimanjaro: Chair Logan Meeks Reaches the Summit with Hooks Institute in Hand.



Our adventurous, mountain-climber chair reached the summit of Mt Kilimanjaro in Tanzania AND also **\$9,491** for the Hooks Institute. Logan started the hike on December 7th and reached the summit 7 days later. The goal was to raise one dollar for every 19,341 - to the summit. Logan and the Hooks Institute are grateful for the donations that supported the hike. You can still make a donation to congratulate Logan on making it to the summit of Mt Kilimanjaro in Memphis while also supporting the Hooks Institute!

Visit <https://fundly.com/kilimanjaro-for-hooks>

Join Hands for Change Gala: Empowering • Supporting • Celebrate African American Men April 9, 2015, The Columns, One Commerce Square, Memphis, TN

The Hooks Institute will honor inspiring and empowered African American men between the ages of 18 and 40 who have made significant contributions to communities in the Memphis and Mid South area at our annual Gala. The evening will unfold with reflections from honorees, entertainment, food, and dancing. A committee composed of members from the Hooks Institute Advisory Board, the community and staff of the Hooks Institute will select the winners. A portion of the Gala proceeds will fund The Hooks African American Male Initiative. This initiative focuses on creating positive learning outcomes, professional development, and workforce preparation for African American males at the University of Memphis. Individual tickets are priced at \$100 and a table for 10 tickets at \$1,000. Tickets will go on sale March 1, 2015 and can be purchased from the Institute's website. Please contact Tim Rose, Hooks programs manager, at 678-4654, for information on purchasing sponsorship packages or tables. We look forward to seeing our friends at the Gala on April 9th.

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