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Before There Was American History, There Was Black History.



People of Kush
from a wall painting
in the tomb of Sen I
around 1300 BC.

History has been
written in the
pages of the world's
greatest biographies.
But the best biographies
are the ones that
have been lost to history.

Manisa Musa, Sunna Ali,
Ibra Muhammad. Not exactly
household names, but they were
noted in their time as leaders of
empires. Yet it appears their honors
were washed away with their
empires.

But they weren't the end of black
history. Only the beginning. Because
black history is an ongoing entity, a
collection of brilliant biographies
is being written.

And this time, they won't be lost.
American history could itself be
said to have begun with a piece of
black history when the death of
Crispus Attucks in the Boston
Massacre made him the first of
America's 600,000 war dead.
Dr. Daniel Hale Williams made
black history, if not world history,
when he performed the first success-
ful open heart surgery. Edward M.
Bouchet made history when Yale
made him the first black in America

to be awarded a
doctorate. James B.
Purson went into the
history books as the
first black federal
judge in the continental US.
Charlotte Ray joined black history
when she became America's first
black woman lawyer. Madame CJ
Walker, when she became America's
first millionaire black woman.
Black biographies have made and
will continue to make black history in
more cities than even Eastern Airlines
flies to, which is more cities in Latin
America, Florida, and the Caribbean
than any other airline. That's a lot of
cities. But that's a lot of history, too.

PROGRAM

INTRODUCTIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS
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MISTRESS OF CEREMONIES

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CLOSING
LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING

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Bio

Dr. Joye Hardiman is a nationally known scholar - activist. After receiving her doctorate in Ancient Egyptian Literature in 1986, she was awarded a summer Fulbright to travel to India to study the African Presence in Ancient and Modern India. She has also done extensive field research in Egypt, in Ghana, West Africa and in the Yucatan as part of her on-going research in the African Presence in Global History.

She is presently the Executive Director of The Evergreen State College's Tacoma, Washington Campus, an Executive Board Member of the Association for the Study of Classical African Civilization, an Alumni of the Harvard Management Development Program, a member of Tacoma-Pierce County American Leadership Forum, a Lead Facilitator for the Ford Foundation - Washington Center Cultural Pluralism Summer Institute and the Founding Director of the Cultural Studies Institute.

She is a brilliant conceptualizer, an inspirational speaker and a gifted storyteller. Her work on "The Multi-faceted Role of African Women from Ancient to Contemporary Times," on "The Trials and Triumphs of Spiritual Warriorship or How to Maintain One's Focus and Direction in a World that is Culturally Insane and Upside Down," and on "Comparative Worldviews and Shifting Global Paradigms" has been referenced in many scholarly works and popular forums.

LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING

Lift every voice and sing
Til earth and heaven ring
Ring with the harmonies of liberty
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the list'ning skies
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us
Facing the rising sun, of our new day begun
Let us march on 'til victory is won.

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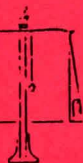
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The Netcher Maat was associated with the seven cardinal virtues, the keys to human perfectibility: truth, justice, propriety, harmony, balance, reciprocity and order. The seven virtues and the 42 Admonitions of Maat were the guidelines for correct moral behavior. They were written approximately 1,500 years before the Ten Commandments.



The 42 Admonitions of Maat

1. I have not done iniquity.
2. I have not robbed with violence.
3. I have not stolen.
4. I have done no murder; I have done no harm.
5. I have not defrauded offerings.
6. I have not diminished obligations.
7. I have not plundered the Netcher.
8. I have not spoken lies.
9. I have not snatched away food.
10. I have not caused pain.
11. I have not committed fornication.
12. I have not caused shedding of tears.
13. I have not dealt deceitfully.
14. I have not transgressed.
15. I have not acted guilefully.
16. I have not laid waste the ploughed land.
17. I have not been an eavesdropper.
18. I have not set my lips in motion (against any man).
19. I have not been angry and wrathful except for a just cause.
20. I have not defiled the wife of any man.
21. I have not defiled the wife of any man.
22. I have not polluted myself.
23. I have not caused terror.
24. I have not transgressed.
25. I have not burned with rage.
26. I have not stopped my ears against the words of Right and Truth (Maat).
27. I have not worked grief.
28. I have not acted with insolence.
29. I have not stirred up strife.
30. I have not judged hastily.
31. I have not been an eavesdropper.
32. I have not multiplied words exceedingly.
33. I have not done neither harm nor ill.
34. I have never cursed the king.
35. I have never fouled the water.
36. I have not spoken scornfully.
37. I have never cursed the Netcher.
38. I have not stolen.
39. I have not defrauded the offerings of the Netcherv.
40. I have not plundered the offerings to the blessed dead.
41. I have not filched the food of the infant, neither have I sinned against the Netcher of my native town.
42. I have not slaughtered with evil intent the cattle of the Netcher.