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BLACK LESBIAN ARCHIVES EXHIBIT

AFFINITY COMMUNITY SERVICES

CASE STUDY

ARCHIVES PROVIDED BY: AFFINITY, GERBER HART & WINDY CITY TIMES

JUNE 14 - JULY 13TH, 2018

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WHY THE FUTURE IS OURS TO MOLD

BRIDGING THE COMMUNITY GAP

dging the Community Gap will surface ıcial cultural history at Affinity Community rvices. Chicago, Illinois- June 14th - July h, 2018 .

'OLD Productions presents the Black Lesbian :hives Exhibit. krü is an Archivist, Astrologer, and CEO of 10F0LD Productions. "The ɔortance of exploring and preserving our tory is more crucial than ever", says krü, of 'OLD Productions.

ıring this exhibit we explore Chicago's Black bian history while discussing how we can lectively go about making our archival ɔrts more concrete. We embark on unifying d bridging the generational gap for the sent-future." Archives will be provided by inity Community Services, Windy City Times d the Gerber Hart Library.

Opening Night will feature producer, screenwriter and award winning filmmaker, Yvonne Welbon of Sisters in the Life: A Histo of African-American Lesbian Media Making. The event is June 14th, 2018 from 6-8:30PM. With events throughout the month featurin artist such Angeline "Kasey" White, Couqie Hughes, E Nina J, Lucy.

Closing panel discussion July 3rd, 2018 featuring activist DJ Sheron, Pat McCombs, Chris Smith and Anna DeShawn. These even are free and inclusive to all. If you would like donate copies of your archives, there will be donation bin available. You can get your tick via Eventbrite (type: Black Lesbian Archives) The location resides at 2850 S. Wabash Ave #108 Suite 108 Chicago, IL. For more information, visit Eventbrite: (Black Lesbian Archives) or contact: 10F0Ld411@gmail.com

South Side Home Movie Project

WORKSHOP
BLACK LESBIAN ARCHIVES

August 4, Saturday, 11am-1pm
Affinity Community Services
2850 S Wabash, Suite 108 | Free

Bring in your film reels, video tapes, old photographs and documents!

As part of the Black Lesbian Archives Exhibit, a local effort to educate the LGBTQ+ community about creating and maintaining its own historical records, South Side Home Movie Project presents a workshop on preserving personal archives of all kinds, from film reels to paper to photos.

SSHMP Archivist Candace Ming will inspect and assess your materials, and offer advice about preserving them, as she discusses the benefits and best practices of personal archiving.

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PROMOTIONAL ITEMS

LOCATION

AFFINITY COMMUNITY SERVICES

GUEST

150+

EVENT

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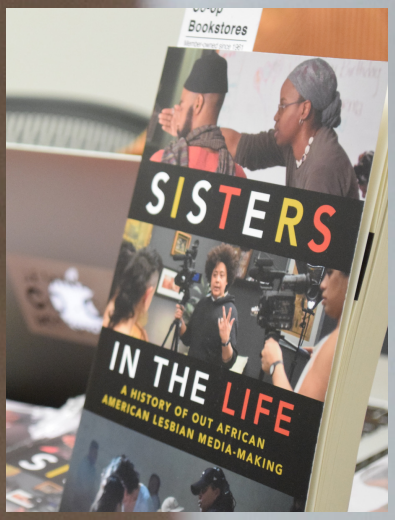
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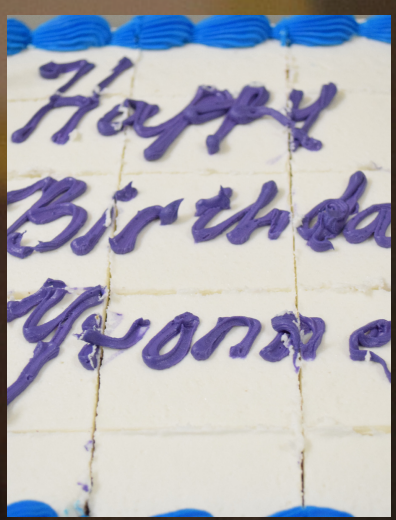

TESTIMONIALS

"This exhibit should have a home in the LGBTQ COMMUNITY to inform and empower Black Lesbian women that we have always mattered. It needs a stable place to be referenced to at all times."

"It was an amazing collection of stories, some familiar to me and others brand-new. It's so important to carry our traditions and sheroes with us into the present and honor them into the future. I also loved that there was the opportunity for folks to share their stories and keep the archive going!"

"The exhibits of news articles, magazines, photography, pictures of deceased community activists and their contributions, event participation, entertainers from community, current and past. Videos of Vernita Gray etc. it is important to show our contributions and that we contributed to all. Humanity in a positive manner."

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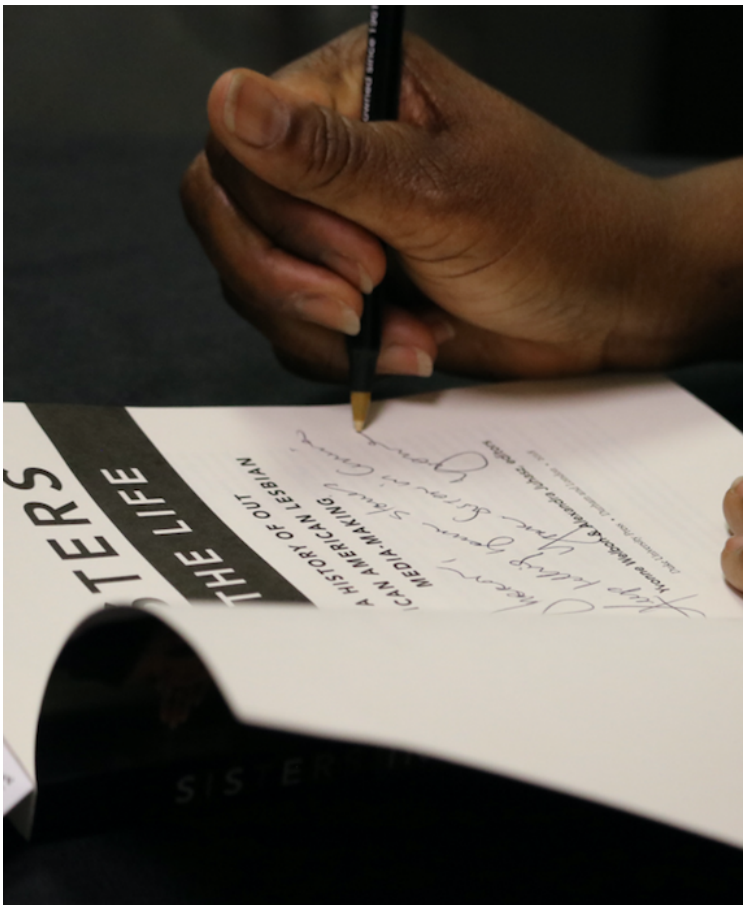

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Black lesbian exhibit opens with filmmaker Yvonne Welbon

Curator Kru and 10FOLD Productions are now presenting the Black Lesbian Archives Exhibit, which opened June 14 at Affinity Community Services in Bronzeville.

The special guest was filmmaker and author Yvonne Welbon, who held a converstaion with Kru about Welbon's new book, Sisters in the Life, which is about Black lesbian filmmakers.

Kru is an archivist, DJ and CEO of 10FOLD Productions. "The importance of exploring and preserving our history is more crucial than ever," she said.

The conversation ranged from Welbon's own filmmaking work to the groundbreaking influential work of African-American lesbians in cinema.

The exhibit that night included special memorabilia from Gerber/Hart Library & Archives, plus extra copies of BLACKlines, sister publication to Outlines, which is now part of Windy City Times. BLACKlines was a monthly LGBTQ publication for African Americans in Chicago, and ran from the mid 1990s to early 2000s.

Also in attendance was openly lesbian mayoral candidate Lori Lightfoot.

Upcoming events at Affinity, as part of the exhibit, include W.O.M.B. monthly poetry night on Thursday, June 21, 7-9 p.m.; a panel discussion on Tuesday, July 3, 6-8 p.m.; and a closing exhibit Friday, July 13, 6-8 p.m. It is located at 2850 S. Wabash Ave., behind the back of the building, with free parking.

Below: Images from the exhibit.
Photo by Tracy Baim

From left: Gordon, ex director of Kru (middl Welbon.
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Virgin Hotels holds 'Artist Pride' event

Virgin Hotels tasted the rainbow by presenting an Artist Pride event June 15. The night was filled with colorful layered liquor shots, burlesque dancing, heartfelt singing and creative drag. Proceeds benefitted the It Gets Better Project that empowers LGBTQ youth.

Out singer Michael Blume performed several songs with a full band and back-up singers. The New Yorker had just returned from playing the Bonnaroo Music & Arts Festival. The last time he was in Chicago at Lincoln Hall was May 26 for a primarily straight audience as opener for the band Lawrence.

He told Windy City Times, "I was very aware that the audiences on that tour were mixed. I am a queer artist prancing around in over-

described the record title cynicis as the world living in a dark time Trump as president and himself and judgmental. He went on to sa believes in unity and coming t better world.

When questioned about the new Love Is True," he said. "It is a c love industrial complex. I am so o tional narrative of love and roman same time sometimes I want it. I at it, then I go home and want a

Blume said Pride Month has inv activity around his work this year ing for queer artists to have spac and heard. Pride month is a time who we are and reflect on how fa go. Trans women are being murd community is not safe, sometime