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African American Historical
Museum & Cultural Center
Cedar Rapids, IA



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Date: Tuesday, February 13, 2007

Time: 5:30 – 8:00pm

Location: African American Historical Museum and Cultural Center of Iowa

55 12th Ave SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401

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Evening's Agenda:

5:30 – 6:00pm Registration/Networking

6:00 - 6:45 Dinner

Caterer: Soleil Banguid of **Soleil's Organic Solar Living Cafe in Coralville**

Menu:

Moroccan Hummus with Pita Bread Congolese Avocado Salad with Mixed Greens
Caribbean Butternut Squash Soup Central African Beignet de Banane (banana fritters)
Soleil will bring a special ginger drink for us to try...We will have soft drinks & water

Business

6:45 - 7:15 Program: "**Commissioning**" by **Mark Blackwood** of River Place Technologies

7:15 - 8:00 Tour with **Susan Kuecker**, Curator and **Ed Young**, Development Director

RSVP: Suzanne by Noon Friday, February 9th at sossuzanne@mchsi.com

Quad City February IFMA meeting

Wednesday, February 7th

12 pm to 1 pm

Davenport Courthouse

131 East 4th Street

Davenport, Iowa

We will be given a *behind the scenes tour* by the original project manager from Kansas City who has architectural background along with the GSA facilities representative. They have generously offered to provide a soup and sandwich lunch for this. **Highlight of this facility is a newly gained flood management system. It is the only one of its kind north of Texas and was designed with knowledge gained from Hurricane Katrina.** This site also had very unique historical registry obligations and painstakingly had to have certain aspects reproduced. I will have parking instructions and security notices to share soon. **You will need a photo ID and belongings will go thru a scan with you. Cell phones have to be turned off in the facility.** I will need RSVP by Wednesday January 31st.

We will also have a Member Profile from Dave Donovan with Scott County Services

RSVP to Jennifer Morgan mjlm926@mchsi.com

or Kay Volz kay-volz@SaxtonInc.com

Building Commissioning Association definition of commissioning:

We define the basic purpose of commissioning as follows: *"The basic purpose of building commissioning is to provide documented confirmation that building systems function in compliance with criteria set forth in the Project Documents to satisfy the owner's operational needs. Commissioning of existing systems may require the development of new functional criteria in order to address the owner's current systems performance requirements." This definition is based on the critical understanding that the owner must have some means of verifying that their functional needs are rigorously addressed during design, construction and acceptance.*

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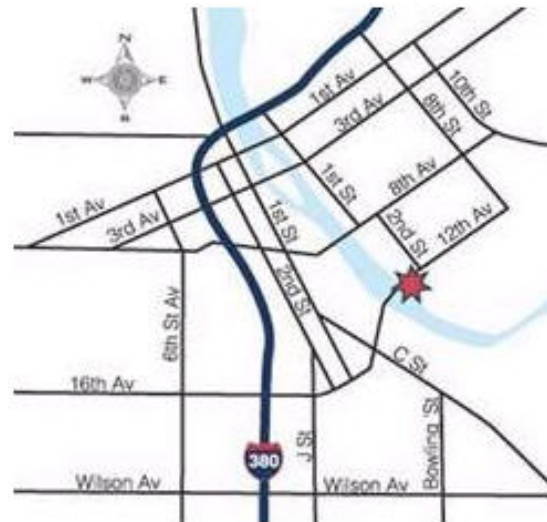
The heritage of African Americans in Iowa is proud and in danger of being lost without major efforts to preserve it. In 1994, the African American Heritage Foundation was born. In 2003, our first permanent Museum building opened to the public. We offer exhibits on the history of African and African Americans in the United States, with emphasis on Iowa. School tours and group tours are available. Available for rental is the spacious Aldeen Davis Celebration Hall. Educational sources include a reference library and historical collection/archives for research, plus the Iowa Communications Network (ICN) offering statewide program access. The Nikee Museum Store features exotic one-of-a-kind gifts for every taste.

Coming from I-380 N —

Take the WILSON AVE SW exit- EXIT 18.
Stay STRAIGHT to go onto 3RD ST SW.
Turn RIGHT onto 16TH AVE SW.
Stay STRAIGHT to go onto 12TH AVE SW.

Coming from I-380 S —

Take the 1ST ST E exit- EXIT 20A-
(toward US-151 BUSINESS / IA-94 / DOWNTOWN)
Turn LEFT onto 1ST ST NE.
Turn LEFT onto 8TH AVE SE.
Turn RIGHT onto 2ND ST SE.
Turn RIGHT onto 12TH AVE SE.



Soleil's Organic Solar Living Cafe

105 ½ 2nd Ave (behind Taco John on the Coralville strip) 354-7653

African, Caribbean, French, Mediterranean - vegetarian friendly - local and organic ingredients

Portrait of: Chef Soleil Banguid:

Chef Soleil Banguid cooks up exciting African-Caribbean meals at
Soleil's Organic Solar Living Cafe 105-1/2 2nd Avenue in Coralville (Iowa-City)

Soleil is proud of his African ancestry and traditions. He taught a cooking class in the Cedar Rapids high schools, and led an African foods workshop for Iowa City elementary students. Look for his Public Access TV show "Cooking with Soleil" on cable channel 18 on Mondays at 6 pm and Thursdays at 9 pm. Soleil Banguid loved ginger and ginger drink as a child in Makoua, French Congo. He has happy memories of walking to school in the '70s with a morning eye-opener of ginger and cola nut drink, accompanied by beignets. The cola nut provided caffeine and the ginger was tangy and quenching. French influence was seen in the beignets, a kind of doughnut well known to those who visit another former French colony, New Orleans in Louisiana.

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Cost: Members: \$15.00, Non-Members: \$20.00

If you are interested in becoming a member and have not joined us at a previous meeting, it is our pleasure to cover your dinner cost for your first time.

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EVENTS CALENDAR - EASTERN IOWA IFMA

Date	Location
October 19	MeadowView Memory Care Village , Cedar Rapids
November 14	IDT (Integrated DNA Technologies) , Coralville
December 12	Meet and eat at One Twenty Six, Tour Englert Theater , Iowa City
January 9 Marriott, 300 E 9th	The Edgewater Grille—Coralville Noon Meeting <i>Power Point Presentation — Rick Foss, Director of Public Works for Iowa City</i>
January 10 RSVP 1/8/07 St Ambrose Chapel 518 W Locust, Davenport	Noon Meeting <i>Tour of the renovated chapel - Jim Hannon - SAU & Bob Happ - Russell Construction - tour guides</i>
January 16 Biaggi's 320 Collins Rd, Cedar Rapids	Evening Meeting 5:30 pm <i>Program: Development/Real Estate Trends and Issues By Scott E. Olson, AIA, CFM, SIOR</i>
February 13	African American Museum Tour 55 12th Ave SE Cedar Rapids IA
March 12	UNI ITTC Exact Facility to be Determined Cedar Falls IA
April 10	OPN Architects/Paramount Office bldg/Cargill Terry Shields /Profile Tours Cedar Rapids Exact Starting Location to be Finalized
May 8	Riverside Casino Riverside IA