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PRESS RELEASE



**Monday, January 17
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WINTER PARK, FL, an internationally recognized, award winning city with multiple accredited agencies (January 14, 2022) The City of Winter Park is proud to present the **20th Annual Unity Heritage Festival Monday, January 17, 2022. This event is normally a two-day event, but Sunday, January 16, has been cancelled due to pending inclement weather.** The festival, located in [Shady Park](#) at Hannibal Square near the intersection of Pennsylvania and New England avenues, will promote family heritage and raise funds for the Educational Fulfillment Fund to benefit local economically disadvantaged youth.

Join us **Monday, January 17, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**, from **11 a.m. to 5 p.m.** The day will begin with the Ministerial Fellowship Program at 11 a.m. and Mayor Phil Anderson will offer remarks at noon. Exciting events and activities will continue throughout the day including food as well as music by Beautiful Bobby Blackman and Jabari Clay. In addition, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., the city's Urban Forestry Division will provide information about the [Arbor Day Foundation's Community Canopy](#) initiative that promotes and assists private residents in making improvements to their property's tree canopy.

Special activities will include children's games, career booths, food and retail vendors, as well as job training/readiness and financial literacy by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Nu Iota Omega Chapter. Entertainment will also feature Veronica Stephens and Craig Crawford, along with mime artist Doc J and local gospel artists from community churches. Patrons are encouraged to visit the [Hannibal Square Heritage Center's](#) current exhibit, just across the street from Shady Park. The center pays tribute to the past, present and future contributions of Winter Park's historic African-American community.

Special thanks to event sponsors including the City of Winter Park [Community Redevelopment Agency](#) and [Parks & Recreation Department](#), Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Nu Iota Omega Chapter and Crealdé School of Art. For more information regarding the 20th Annual Unity Heritage Festival, please call [407-599-3357](tel:407-599-3357).

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