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## PRESS RELEASE



**WINTER PARK, FL, an internationally recognized, award winning city with multiple accredited agencies (January 9, 2023)** The City of Winter Park is proud to present the **21<sup>st</sup> Annual Unity Heritage Festival** scheduled for **Sunday, January 15, and Monday, January 16, 2023**. This annual community festival will promote family heritage and raise funds for the Educational Fulfillment Fund to benefit local economically disadvantaged youth.

The heritage festival begins on **Sunday, January 15, from 1 to 5 p.m.**, in [Shady Park](#) at Hannibal Square, located at the intersection of Pennsylvania and New England avenues. Special activities will include children's games, career booths, food and retail vendors, as well as job training/health literacy by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Nu Iota Omega Chapter. Sunday's entertainment will feature various gospel artists, along with mime and praise dance performances. Patrons are also 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.

The festival continues in Shady Park **Monday, January 16, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**, from **11 a.m. to 5 p.m.** Winter Park city officials and community leaders will join in the day's impactful activities. These include a Martin Luther King, Jr. symbolic program at 11 a.m., the presentation of the Heritage Award, kids' activities, food & retail vendors, career booths, job training/health literacy assistance, Zoo Mom Science, and blues & jazz bands featuring Brenda White and Jabari Clay.

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 21<sup>th</sup> Annual Unity Heritage Festival, please call [407-599-3357](tel:407-599-3357).

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