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Join Tennessee State University's College of Liberal Arts and the Metropolitan Historical Commission for a celebration of the contributions of African Americans to Nashville and Tennessee history. For thirty-one years, this award-winning conference has brought together historians, educators, students, community leaders, and others interested in African-American history and culture.

This year's conference will celebrate the centennial anniversary of Tennessee State University, formerly known as Tennessee A&I State Normal School for Negroes (1912-1922); Tennessee A&I State Normal College (1922-1927); Tennessee A&I State College (1927-1951); Tennessee A&I State University (1951-1969); and Tennessee State University since 1970. Steeped in tradition for 100 years, Nashville's only public university is known for its academic and athletic excellence, celebrated alumni, and legacy. Presenters will look at the history of Tennessee State University, 1909 to 2010; women administrators; the relationship between the West Tennessee Education Congress and the university, as well as student life, sports, and Greek life. There will also be featured performances by the Tennessee State University Jazz Ensemble and the Meistersingers.

Your conference registration fee includes admission to all sessions, a lunch buffet, recent additions to the Profiles of African-Americans in Tennessee series, and other educational materials.

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Friday, February 10, 2012

8:30 am-3:30 pm

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Nashville, Tennessee

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2012 Program

- 8:30 am Registration Begins
- 9:00 am Welcome
Mr. Tim Walker, Executive Director
Metropolitan Historical Commission
Mrs. Linda T. Wynn, Conference Co-Chair
- 9:20 am *A Touch of Greatness: History of Tennessee State University, 1909 to 2010: The Long Struggle Against Jim Crow*
Dr. Bobby L. Lovett, Retired Professor of History
Department of History, Tennessee State University
- 9:40 am *Women Administrators at Tennessee State University*
Dr. Gloria C. Johnson, Interim Dean
College of Liberal Arts, Tennessee State University
- 10:00 am *The Symbiotic Relationship between the West Tennessee Education Congress and Tennessee State University*
Dr. Dorothy Granberry, Retired Professor of Psychology
and Title III Director, Tennessee State University
- 10:40 am Break
- 11:00 am Remarks:
Mr. Howard Gentry, Criminal Court Clerk
Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County
Dr. Portia Holmes Shields, President
Tennessee State University
- 11:30 am Musical Performance
Tennessee State University Jazz Ensemble
Professor James Sexton, Conductor
- Noon Lunch (provided)
- 1:30 pm Tennessee State University Meistersingers
Dr. Darryl Nettles, Director
- 2:00 pm *A Will to Win: How TSU Sports Led to Academic Excellence*
Dwight Lewis, Retired Editor and Columnist,
The Tennessean
- 2:30 pm *Student Life at Tennessee State University, 1966-1987*
Mrs. Barbara C. Murrell, Executive Director
RealSports Leadership Academy, Inc.
- 3:00 pm *Scholarship, Service and Steppin': An Exploration of TSU's Black Greek-Lettered Fraternities and Sororities*
Drs. Crystal A. deGregory and Learotha Williams, Jr.
Department of History, Geography, and Political Science
Tennessee State University
- 3:30 pm Closing Remarks
Dr. Reavis L. Mitchell, Jr., Conference Co-Chair

Conference Registration



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Registration fee is \$20.00.

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Metro Historical Commission
3000 Granny White Pike
Nashville, Tennessee 37204

Registration form and fee MUST be received by
January 27, 2012.

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Preregistration is strongly encouraged.
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