**Thursday, February 4, 2021**

**Paint Night with artist A. Decker**

Date and Time: Thursday, February 4 07:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Event Location:

Paint along with artist A. Decker in this virtual event hosted on zoom and make your own masterpiece! She will break down each stroke of the brush into an easy to follow lesson that is suitable for beginners to more experienced artists. The painting you will be creating is the ‘Voyage of a Black Woman’ as seen in the picture. Please note each registrant is responsible for obtaining their own supplies. Please see the supply list below. You only need to register once per viewing device. Join us for an evening to celebrate Black history as we honour the ‘Voyage of a Black Woman’.

For more information and to register for this event please visit [https://ideaexchange.org/programs/event/rhythm-blues-presents-paint-night-black-history-month-event](https://ideaexchange.org/programs/event/rhythm-blues-presents-paint-night-black-history-month-event).

**Saturday, February 6, 2021**

**Cambridge Farmers’ Market**

Date and Time: Saturday, February 6 07:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Event Location: 40 Dickson Street, Cambridge, ON

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**Wednesday, February 10, 2021**

**Explore Your Future Speaker Series**

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 10 06:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Event Location:

The virtual event will feature local professionals from a range of industries sharing their career path and answering your questions. Join us virtually with your child for an hour of career insight, inspiration and fun!

**Afro Tribal Dancers Workshop**

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 10 06:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Event Location:

Get your body moving with the Afro Tribal Dancers! Shove aside your furniture, put on your comfy pants and join us from the comfort of your living room. Afro Tribal Dancers do traditional and modern West African dancing. Get ready to learn some basic steps and get energized! No previous dance experience necessary, this workshop is suitable for beginners and more advanced dancers.

For more information and to register, please visit [https://ideaexchange.org/programs/event/rhythm-blues-presents-afro-tribal-dancers-workshop-black-history-month-event](https://ideaexchange.org/programs/event/rhythm-blues-presents-afro-tribal-dancers-workshop-black-history-month-event).

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Black Girl Excellence Program (Ages 4-8)

Date and Time: Saturday, February 13 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Event Location:

Calling all young Queens! Come have fun with us as we try dance, crafts and other activities that build self-awareness and self-esteem in a supportive environment with a professional facilitator. This program is offered on zoom and comes with a free kit of supplies.

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Black Girl Excellence Program (Ages 9+)

Date and Time: Saturday, February 13 01:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Event Location:

YOU are a QUEEN! Join us for this program focusing on empowerment, self discovery and the journey through womanhood in a supportive environment with a professional facilitator. Together we’ll explore spoken word, music and more with our special surprise guests. This program is offered on zoom and comes with a free kit of supplies.
Saturday, February 20, 2021

Cambridge Farmers’ Market

Date and Time: Saturday, February 20 07:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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Panel Discussion

Date and Time: Saturday, February 20 02:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Event Location:

Join moderator Colleen James as she talks with panelists Marjorie-Ann Knight, Fiona Jimenez and Tim Sargeant in a follow up discussion to our 2020 Rhythm and Blues Black History Month event. We’ll take a look into what has changed and what has stayed the same for members of our Black community. Our panelists will discuss where our community is now in 2021 after a historic year full of opportunities and challenges. The discussion will be followed by an open Q&A session. Everyone is welcome!

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Explore Your Future Speaker Series

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 24 06:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Event Location:

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