

FROM MATHIEU DA COSTA IN 1608 TO PRESENT

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Join us for this Special Bilingual Online Event in Celebration of Black History Month

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Guest Speakers **Dr. Dorothy Williams**, PhD, of Concordia University, and **Mr. Linton Garner**, Marketing and Sales Director of blacbiblio.com, will offer simultaneous presentations on the **ABC's of Canadian Black History Kit / La trousse de l'ABC de l'histoire des Noirs du Canada**. Dr. Williams and Mr. Garner are the co-creators of this educational material, which delves into the history and lives of Black Canadians.

The presentation will be followed by a **question-and-answer session** with the Honorable Marlene Jennings, Dr. Dorothy Williams, and Mr. Linton Garner.

This timely event is designed to promote understanding, inclusivity, and diversity. Together, we will discuss how we can combat discrimination, prejudice, and racism.

The workshop will take place twice. **REGISTRATION REQUIRED.** Please select your date and complete the form to receive the event link.

Feb. 1st 2022 7:00 PM, Zoom REGISTRATION Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> 2022 7:00 PM, Zoom REGISTRATION

More info at: www.learnquebec.ca/qfhsa-bhm



The panel discussion will center on the celebration of the Black contributions to the history of Quebec over the centuries from Mathieu da Costa in 1608 through to 2021. It will explain why it remains so

important to not only highlight Black contributions during Black History Month in February, but throughout the year as well. A prime example of historical resources available to increase knowledge and awareness of the Black contributions to the history of Quebec is the ABCs of **Canadian Black History Kit**, which will be presented to the audience by its creator.



**THE HONOURABLE MARLENE JENNINGS**, who became President of the Quebec Community Groups Network in November 2020, is a retired lawyer and former Member of Parliament. She is a valued contributor to Quebec's English-speaking community on a wide range of issues ranging from education to health and access to justice. In 2015, Marlene chaired the Elections Systems Study Panel which handed down recommendations that aimed to protect the constitutional rights of English-speaking Quebecers and the integrity of our educational institutions.



**AUTHOR DR. DOROTHY W. WILLIAMS** specializes in Canadian Black history. Her expertise is in demand for public lectures and consulting, supporting media research, and consulting with various governments. With a Masters in History, and a doctorate in Library Studies, Dorothy's company, Blacbiblio.com, Inc. promotes African-Canadian history using **The ABC's of Canadian Black History** Kit. Dr. Williams has many awards for her ground-breaking work including "Quebec Laureate" in 2002.



**LINTON GARNER** is a community organizer who has worked on issues impacting youth, housing, police relations, race relations, education, seniors, health, and social services as well as minority and minority language rights. Linton is the co-creator of **The ABCs of Canadian Black History**, the Quebec Regional Director of the Canadian Association of Black Journalists, Host of CityLife Outaouais TV and is responsible for Revenue Generation and Grant Writing for the Quebec Community Newspaper Association.







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