

### [Martin Luther King, Jr., Birthday Convocation](#)

Margaret Walker Centennial

Featuring Paula Giddings

Rose E. McCoy Auditorium

10:00 a.m., Friday, January 16, 2015

### **For My People Awards Luncheon**

Honoring Paula Giddings, Pamela D.C. Junior,

the Smith Robertson Museum, and Dr. John Peoples

Student Center Ballroom, Jackson State University

11:45 a.m., Friday, January 16, 2015

### ***The Literary and Historical Importance of Margaret Walker's Life***

Robert Lockett

Eudora Welty Library

Jackson/Hinds Library System

6:00 p.m., Thursday, January 22, 2015

### [Poetry Out Loud](#)

Central Region of Mississippi Contest

Student Center Theater, Jackson State University

12:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 4, 2015

### **Writing workshop for children including a dramatic reading/performance of Margaret Walker's works**

Katrina Byrd

Annie T. Jeffers Library—Bolton, Mississippi

Jackson/Hinds Library System

4:00 p.m., Monday, February 9, 2015

### **Writing workshop for children including a**

**dramatic reading/performance of Margaret Walker's works**

Katrina Byrd

Raymond Library—Raymond, Mississippi

Jackson/Hinds Library System

4:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 10, 2015

**A Conversation with Ilyasah Shabazz  
and Reena Evers-Everette**

Fannie Lou Hamer Institute @ COFO

Student Center, Jackson State University

6:00 p.m., Monday, February 16, 2015

**“Yazoo Revisited”**

Documentary film screening with

filmmaker David Rae Morris

Student Center Theater, Jackson State University

11:30 a.m., Wednesday, February 25, 2015

***On the Shoulders of Giants:***

***How Walker Influenced a Whole Generation***

***of African-American Women, Including Fannie Lou Hamer***

RaShell Smith-Spears

Fannie Lou Hamer Library

Jackson/Hinds Library System

3:00 p.m., Thursday, February 26, 2015

**Natchez Literary and Cinema Celebration**

Margaret Walker Centennial

Natchez, Mississippi

February 26-28, 2015

***Jackson Reads* kickoff event  
featuring Margaret Walker's *Jubilee***

Mayor Tony Yarber

Ayer Hall, Jackson State University

5:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 3, 2015

**Storytelling workshop for teens using  
poems and stories by Margaret Walker**

Terrence Roberts

Eudora Welty Library

Jackson/Hinds Library System

4:15 p.m., Tuesday, March 10, 2015

***The Noose and Pyre*  
*Lynching and Racial Violence as Social Control***

Dr. Deborah H. Barnes

Ayer Hall, Jackson State University

7:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 17, 2015

***Sister Act – Margaret Walker and Eudora Welty***

Carolyn Brown

Education and Visitors Center

Eudora Welty House and Garden

5:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 18, 2015

***Such a Bold Leader: The Unusual Young Adult Life of Margaret Walker***

Carolyn Brown

Charles W. Tisdale Library

Jackson/Hinds Library System

4:00 p.m., Thursday, March 19, 2015

**Oxford Conference for the Book**

Margaret Walker Centennial

Oxford, Mississippi

March 25-27, 2015

**“Jackson Reads” Jubilee**

Community discussion with Angela Stewart

Lemuria Bookstore Activity Center

6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 31, 2015

***This Is My Century: The Life and Legacy of Margaret Walker***

9th Annual Creative Arts Festival

Margaret Walker Centennial

Nikky Finney, Keynote

Carolyn Brown, book signing and discussion

Toni Morrison, Bench by the Road

Student Center, Jackson State University

Friday and Saturday, April 10-11, 2015

***RICHARD WRIGHT, DAEMONIC GENIUS:***

***Margaret Walker’s Experiment with Autobiographical Biography***

Jerry Ward

Richard Wright Library

Jackson/Hinds Library System

6:00 p.m., Thursday, April 16, 2015

**Mississippi Jubilee: From Slavery to Freedom**

**Symposium on the 150th Anniversary of Emancipation**

Mississippi Humanities Council

“Margaret Walker’s Jubilee” Panel Discussion

Friday, April 17, 2015

**Storytelling workshop for children using  
poems and stories by Margaret Walker**

Terrence Roberts

Richard Wright Library

Jackson/Hinds Library System

4:15 p.m., Tuesday, April 21, 2015

**[The Black Arts Movement, Black Power  
and the Struggle for Civil Rights in America](#)**

Dr. Doris Derby

Opening Keynote: Nikki Giovanni, 6:00 p.m.

Reception immediately following

Johnson Hall Art Gallery

Thursday, April 23-Summer, 2015

**Ayer Hall Gallery Talk**

Nichole Bridges, Curator for African Art

Saint Louis Art Museum

10:00 a.m., Friday, April 24, 2015

***Who in the World Was Margaret Walker:  
Bringing the Legend Alive for 21st Century Youth***

Carolyn Brown

Raymond Library—Raymond, Mississippi

Jackson/Hinds Library System

4:00 p.m., Thursday, May 7, 2015

**[45th Commemoration of the Gibbs-Green Tragedy](#)**

Alexander Hall, Jackson State University

[Press Release](#)

1:00 p.m., Friday, May 15, 2015

**Writing workshop for children including a  
dramatic reading/performance of Margaret Walker's works**

Katrina Byrd

Charles Tisdale Library

Jackson/Hinds Library System

10:00 a.m., Monday, June 1, 2015

**Storytelling workshop for children using  
poems and stories by Margaret Walker**

Terrence Roberts

Quisenberry Library—Clinton, Mississippi

Jackson/Hinds Library System

1:00 p.m., Saturday, June 6, 2015

***Inquiring Minds Want to Know:  
How Much of JUBILEE was Actually True?***

Quisenberry Library—Clinton, Mississippi

Jackson/Hinds Library System

6:00 p.m., Thursday, June 18, 2015

**Under-13 Baseball Exhibition  
with the Richland Junkstarz**

Anderson Monarchs

Baseball Field, Jackson State University

12:00 p.m., Saturday, June 27, 2015

**Jubilee Picnic**

Margaret Walker Centennial  
Ayer Hall, Jackson State University  
11:30 a.m., Tuesday, July 7, 2015

**Storytelling workshop for children & adults  
using works by Margaret Walker**

Janice Neal-Vincent  
Margaret Walker Alexander Library  
Jackson/Hinds Library System  
10:00 a.m., Thursday, July 9, 2015

***For My People: A New Musical Work***

Margaret Walker Centennial  
Gala Celebration  
Student Center Ballrooms, Jackson State University  
5:00 p.m., Friday, July 10, 2015

**Storytelling workshop for children & adults  
using works by Margaret Walker**

Janice Neal-Vincent  
Willie Morris Library  
Jackson/Hinds Library System  
10:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 14, 2015

**[Sterling Plumpp and Patrick Oliver](#)**

Book Reading and Signing  
Ayer Hall, Jackson State University  
6:00 p.m., Thursday, August 20, 2015

**Mississippi Book Festival**

Margaret Walker Centennial

Saturday, August 22, 2015

***My Lord! What Women! What Modern Women  
Can Learn from the Female Characters in JUBILEE***

RaShell Smith-Spears

Beverly Brown Library—Byram, Mississippi

Jackson/Hinds Library System

6:00 p.m., Thursday, August 27, 2015

**[Aron & Karen Primack African Art Collection](#)**

Unveiling and Open House

Ayer Hall, Jackson State University

4:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 15, 2015

***In the light of the Civil Rights' Movement and the Changes  
in the Last 50 Years for African-Americans, Is JUBILEE dated?***

Doris Ginn

Eudora Welty Library

Jackson/Hinds Library System

6:00 p.m., Thursday, September 24, 2015

**[A Class Apart](#)**

Documentary Screening

Hispanic Heritage Month

Ayer Hall, Jackson State University

3:00 p.m., Monday, September 28, 2015

***Discussion of Margaret Walker's Poem OCTOBER JOURNEY***



C. Liegh McInnis  
Bolden/Moore Library  
Jackson/Hinds Library System  
6:00 p.m., Thursday, October 8, 2015

**[The Town Dance](#)**

Book Reading and Signing  
Nikki Skies  
Ayer Hall, Jackson State University  
6:00 p.m., Thursday, October 15, 2015

**[Milestones in Democracy](#)**

30 Years of Representative Government in Jackson  
Jackson Convention Center Theater  
5:30 p.m., Thursday, October 29, 2015

***The Thoughts I Will Keep from the Margaret Walker Centennial Celebration***

Robert Luckett  
Eudora Welty Library  
Jackson/Hinds Library System  
6:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 10, 2015

**[Delta Jewels: In Search of My Grandmother's Voice](#)**

Reading and Discussion  
Alysia Burton Steele  
COFO Center, Jackson State University  
6:00 p.m., Thursday, November 12, 2015

***Crisis in the Village: Restoring the Promise of Public Education***

Mt. Helm Baptist Church

6:30 p.m., Thursday, November 19, 2015

**[Joe T. Patterson and the White South's Dilemma](#)**

Brown Bag Reading and Discussion

Robert Lockett

Ayer Hall, Jackson State University

12:00 p.m., Thursday, December 10, 2015

Hear Dr. Lockett's discussion of his new book  
in an interview with Karen Brown

**[on Mississippi Public Broadcasting  
and Mississippi Edition.](#)**