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“BUFFALO ROOTS RUN DEEP” – APRIL 14 @ MERRIWEATHER LIBRARY

The 16th African American Writers Reception will take place on Saturday, April 14, from 2 - 4:00 p.m. at the Frank E. Merriweather, Jr. Library, 1324 Jefferson Avenue in Buffalo. Free and open to the public, this year's program features a panel discussion with notable African American authors Karima Amin, Sharon Amos, and Eva M. Doyle. The moderator for this literary roundtable is *Spoken Words* artist and writer Vonetta T. Rhodes.

Writers and aspiring writers are encouraged to attend and participate in the discussion and reception; they should plan to bring their questions for the published writers.

Ms. Amos is an associate English professor of the University at Buffalo Educational Opportunity Center and author of *Alabaster and Leopard Jasper*, a collection of poems and *Carolina Heat*, an unpublished memoir.

Native Buffalonian Karima Amin is a dedicated educator, educational consultant, published author, and full-time professional storyteller.

Eva M. Doyle is a columnist, educator, and community activist. Ms. Doyle writes the weekly newspaper column "Eye on History" for the Buffalo Criterion.

Also known as “the fly poet” Ms. Rhodes has spoken at dozens of poetry presentations throughout the community.

Themed *Buffalo Roots Run Deep*, the African American Writers talk and reception is free however, registration is required by calling the Merriweather Library at 883-4418 or emailing edl@buffalolib.org.

Merriweather Library, located on Buffalo's East Side, is one of the 37 Libraries of the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System. The Library houses the William A. Miles Center for African and African-American Studies Room with the largest collection of African American material in Western New York. For more information go to www.BuffaloLib.org or Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/buffaloliblibrary.central>.

April 14th, 2012 from 2 pm to 4:00pm

Frank E. Merriweather, Jr. Library

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