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MEDIA ALERT

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Press Conference to Announce 2025 Black History Month Bus Tours

What: Press conference announcing “Together as One: The Journey Continues,” a celebration of Black History month, including bus tours that will explore Black history at cultural sites across the city and region.

Who: The Buffalo African American Museum (BAAM) in partnership with more than a dozen local cultural organizations, including The Michigan Street African American Heritage Corridor, The Buffalo AKG Art Museum, The Buffalo Museum of Science, The Buffalo and Erie County Public Library, Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy, Niagara Falls Underground Railroad Heritage Center, Burchfield Penney Art Center, Buffalo Black Achievers Museum, The Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural Site, Open Buffalo, Castellani Art Museum of Niagara, The Buffalo History Museum, and more.

When: Thursday, January 30th at 10:00 a.m.

Where: Downtown Central Library, One Lafayette Square, Main Floor

Available for interviews: Clifford Bell, founder of the Buffalo African American Museum

Please see official poster attached or visit BAAM’s website for more information:
www.bfloafricanamericanmuseum.org/together-as-one-2025

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About the Buffalo African American Museum (BAAM)

BAAM's mission is to build a historical and educational museum that celebrates the rich heritage, culture, and life experiences of African Americans by providing authentic presentations and representations of the contributions African Americans have made to the history and the development of the City of Buffalo and Western New York, through art and other cultural exhibits and displays.

With the main purpose to house and promote exhibits that reflects Buffalo African American history, BAAM curates traveling exhibits while working towards having a physical structure to house historic content. The first exhibit curated by the Buffalo African American Museum featured the founding and history of the Michigan Avenue YMCA.

BAAM was founded by Clifford Bell, a community activist in Buffalo, Mr. Bell is the former Chairperson of the Dr. Martin Luther King Birthday Celebration Committee and one of the pioneers of the Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial Trust Fund. Both committees led to the establishment of the historic MLK Monument Plaza in MLK Jr. Park. He has dedicated his life to working with local City, State, business, and community groups to improve Buffalo.