# BLACK HISTORY MONTH

MONMOUTH | INDEPENDENCE 2022

#### CHILDREN'S ART DISPLAY MONMOUTH AND INDEPENDENCE STOREFRONTS

## FEB. 1-28

Our local elementary schools have participated in an art project based on the works of different black authors and poets. You can find these art displays at the following storefronts: Petals and Vines, Country Financial, Main Street Ice Cream Parlour, Rick's Place, Monmouth Hardware, Western View Properties, Thoughts and Gifts, Monmouth Fitness Club, Momiji, Brewery Coffee and Tap House, Yeasty Beasty, Indy Commons, Oven Bird Bakery, and Musical Independence

# **OPENING CELEBRATION**

WOU WERNER UNIVERSITY CENTER PACIFIC ROOM

## FEB. 5 | 4PM

Join us for an opening celebration at WOU's Werner University Center Pacific Room. Speakers will include: WOU president, Dr. Jay Kenton; Monmouth mayor Cec Koontz; Angel Harris, past president emerita Linn-Benton NAACP; Senator Lew Frederick; Senator Deb Patterson; and Julianne Jackson with Black Joy Oregon. Music by Grace Burdette and Kaike's Band, a local jazz group.

#### CLOSING CEREMONY WOU WERNER UNIVERSITY CENTER PACIFIC ROOM

# FEB. 26 | 4PM

The closing ceremony will focus on black joy and leadership. Speakers include WOU president, Dr. Jay Kenton; Monmouth city councilor Jon Carey; Darryl Thomas, professor of Dance at WOU and co-artistic director of Rainbow Dance Theatre; Rian Gayle, Assistant Director, Access & Inclusion in the Office of Disability Services at Western Oregon University; and Elizabeth Braatz, ASWOU Senate president. Music by Harmony Thomson and Kaike's Band, a local jazz group.

*Live stream is available for both opening and closing events. You can visit https://tinyurl.com/monmouth-black-history-month or scan the QR code on the poster to join the event* 

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