The Rochester Kwanzaa Coalition is celebrating Kwanzaa with a special tribute to Rochester Kwanzaa Coalition founder Dr. David Anderson. Dr. Anderson is a founding member of Rochester Kwanzaa Coalition, established in the late 1960s.

Dr. Anderson, also known as Sankofa, is the founder of the Blackstorytelling League of Rochester. He is the author of several books including the award-winning *The Origin of Life on Earth: An African Creation Myth*, and *Kwanzaa: An Everyday Resource and Instructional Guide*. His African and African American folklore have earned him literary honors like the National Association of Black Storytellers’ Zora Neale Hurston Award, and, for *The Origin of Life on Earth*, the Outstanding Children’s Book Award from the African Studies Association.

He has taught African American Studies courses at five area colleges. Dr. Anderson also chairs Rochester-Monroe County Freedom Trail Commission and is program director of AKWAABA: The Heritage Associates, where he crafts and participates in living history reenactments and tours.

### Upcoming Programs

**January 21–March 11, 2007**

*Anxious Objects: Willie Cole’s Favorite Brands* exhibition

**January 21**

2 PM

Lecture by Willie Cole

**February 1**

7 PM

Lecture by Garth Fagan - "The Making of The Lion King"

**February 4**

Noon–5 PM

Black History Month/Willie Cole Family Day

Join us for a family celebration of African American culture

**Kwanzaa**

Sponsored by the Marie C. and Joseph C. Wilson Foundation and Target. Presented in cooperation with the Rochester Kwanzaa Coalition

**Thursday, December 28, 2006 4-9 PM**

All Kwanzaa Family Day Activities are Free

**Rochester Kwanzaa Coalition:**

Paul Adell

David Anderson

Avery Blackman

Tim Cawley

Terry Chaka

Shawn Dunwoody

Reenah Golden-Collier

Delores Jackson Radney

Lisa Johnson

Debora McDell (MAG Staff)

Niema Neteri Atkins

Kiah Nyame

Djed Snead
SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

THE GALLERY 4:00–9:00 pm

Don’t forget to visit the Gallery’s permanent collection. Please note that if you would like to visit Georgia O’Keeffe: Color and Conservation, a special timed ticket is required. Tickets are available for purchase at the Admission Desk.

CREATIVE WORKSHOP (BASEMENT) 4:00–7:30 pm

Make-It-and-Take-It Art Workshops
Room 7
Kwanzaa Andinkra Ornaments with Eddie Davis III
Room 8
Kwanzaa Mkeka (mat) with Hector Arquinzoni
Room 9
Kwanzaa Bracelets with Frances Hare

M&T BANK BALLROOM

4:00–4:30 & 4:45–5:15 pm
Nat Turner Drum Circle
Enjoy African drumming by Nat Turner Drum Circle. The group will also perform during the Kwanzaa opening and closing ceremonies.

5:30–6:00 pm
Kwanzaa Opening Ceremony
Dr. David Anderson leads a Kwanzaa ceremony and guides visitors in observing ujima (collective work and responsibility), the third of seven principles at the center of Kwanzaa. Dr. Anderson will be joined by Rochester Kwanzaa Coalition chair Delores Jackson-Radney.

6:30 & 7:30 pm
Performance by Ba Bes Dance
Enjoy a high energy dance performance featuring the movement and sounds of Ba Bes Dance. Ba Bes Dance synthesizes traditional African expression with dance styles such as Hip-Hop, Funk, Modern, and House. Members include artistic director and co-founder Melinda Philips, co-founder Niema Neteri Atkins and African music specialist and musical director Khalid Saleem.

8:15 pm
Kwanzaa Closing Ceremony

EAST PARLOR

4:30–5:00 pm
Kwanzaa Corner
Enjoy a lively interactive presentation while learning about Kwanzaa and the Nguzo Saba, also known as the seven principles. This presentation by Kuumba Consultants includes video, music and storytelling.

6:00–8:00 pm
Network Northstar Kwanzaa Photos
Visit Network North Star’s Product Roadshow display, see a demonstration of Kodak’s digital products and get a complimentary photo of your family. Network Northstar is an Eastman Kodak African American employees network organization.

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE 4:00–7:30 pm

Purchase refreshments from Cutler’s Snack Bar in the Creative Workshop. Cutler’s Restaurant is also open for dinner.

BAUSCH & LOMB PARLOR

5:00–5:30 pm
Interactive Storytelling with Robert Djed Snead
Storyteller, published poet and author Robert Djed Snead will share stories from many cultures and traditions. Snead is a member of the Blackstorytelling League of Rochester, Inc. and the author of “Nasty Nathan the No-good Gnat who Never Listened to Nobody.”

7:00–7:30 pm
Jazz Poetry
Jazz vocalist Whitney Marchelle and Eastman School of Music violinist Anyango Yarbo-Davenport interpret poetry with vocals, guitar and violin. Poetry pieces include Swing Rhythm Changes by Whitney Marchelle and Maya Angelou’s The Lady with the Precious Stone. In addition to some African melodies, they will perform Nature Boy, a Yiddish melody written by Eden Ahbez, and made popular by Nat King Cole. Marchelle is a native of Iowa and currently teaches voice and performs regularly. The Nashville Hall of Fame Award winner has performed internationally and with many music greats including Wycliffe Gordon, Wynton Marsalis and Stevie Wonder. Yarbo-Davenport is a native of Munich, Germany and recipient of the Howard Hanson Scholarship Award, George Eastman Grant and Merit Award, and a Sphinx finalist.