



COMING SOON

SPOTLIGHT ASIA: YEAR OF THE ROOSTER

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4 | NOON-4 PM

The Museum's Lunar New Year festival focuses on the Rooster, a character associated with fidelity, punctuality, and the ability to forecast the future. Celebrate Asian art and culture through calligraphy, traditional storytelling, and hands-on activities taught by local artisans and Museum scientists. Learn about the important cultural role birds have played across the Asian continent, discover their connection to dinosaurs, and find out what needs to be done to ensure their survival.

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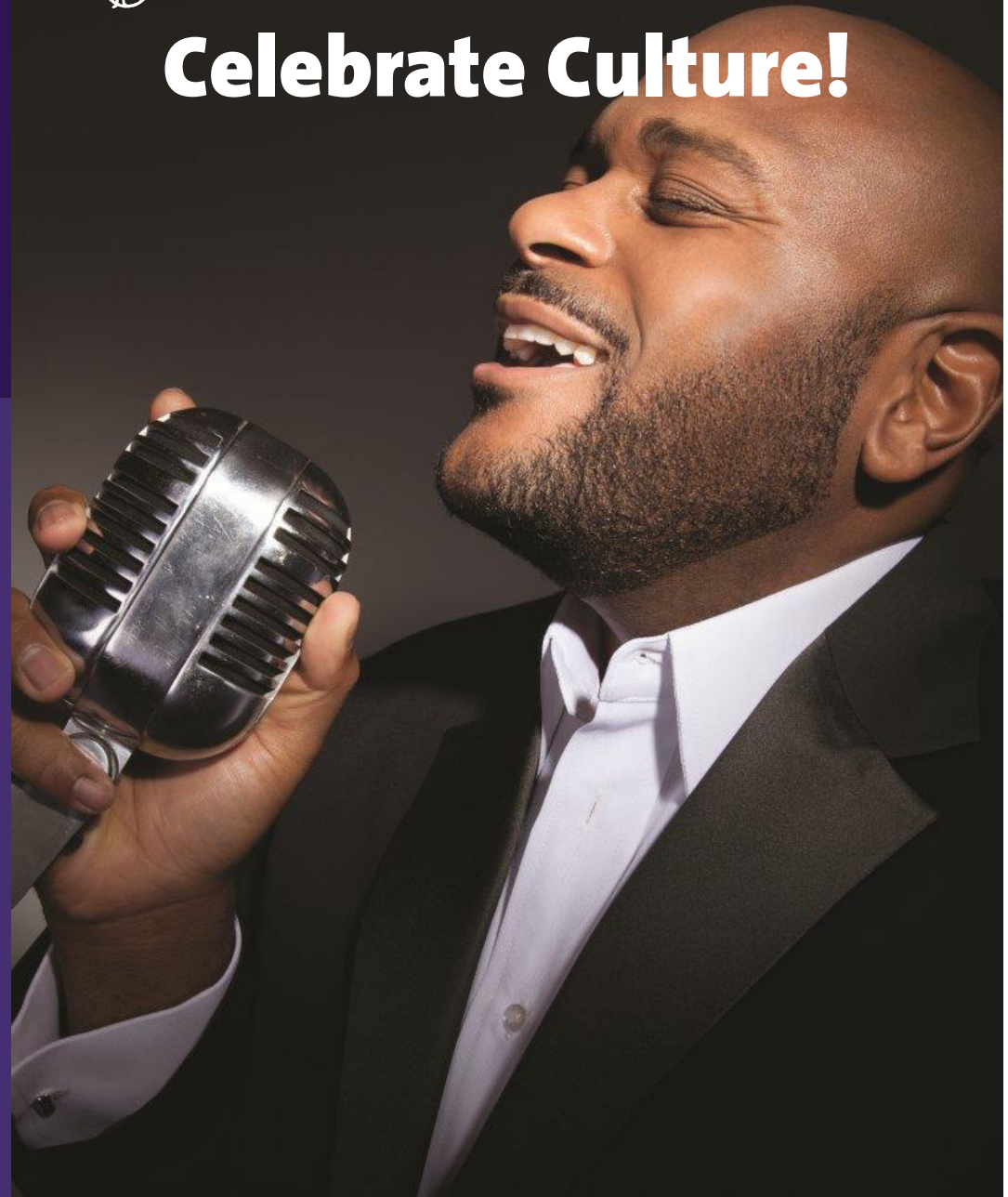
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Kwanzaa 2016

Songs for the Soul | December 30



INTRODUCTION

Celebrated worldwide, Kwanzaa is a seven-day spiritual gathering that focuses on family, community, creativity, and the cultural traditions found in the African diaspora. Founded by scholar and activist **Dr. Maulana Karenga** in 1966, Kwanzaa brings millions of families together.

“During this season, families come together to reflect on blessings of the past year and look forward to the promises in the year ahead. As families around the world unite to light the Kinara today, our family extends our prayers and best wishes during this holiday season.”
—President Barack Obama

The Seven Principles (*Nguzo Saba*)

- 1 *Umoja* (oo-MOH-jah): Unity
- 2 *Kujichagulia* (koo-jee-chah-goo-LEE-ah): Self-determination
- 3 *Ujima* (oo-JEE-mah): Collective work and responsibility
- 4 *Ujamaa* (oo-jah-MAH): Cooperative economics
- 5 *Nia* (NEE-ah): Purpose
- 6 *Kuumba* (koo-OOM-bah): Creativity
- 7 *Imani* (ee-MAH-nee): Faith



KWANZAA PROGRAM MILSTEIN HALL OF OCEAN LIFE | NOON AND 3 PM



OPENING

The **Celia Cruz Bronx High School of Music**, GOLD-rated at the New York State School Music Association's annual competitions, will be sure to get you on your feet! The Afro-Caribbean high-spirited vocals and conga rhythms are going to get you... dancing and singing along!



THE SEVEN PRINCIPLES OF KWANZAA

Discover the core values of Kwanzaa with Artistic Director of Yaffa Cultural Arts **Dr. Linda H. Humes** and master drummers **Sanga of the Valley** and **LeeAnet Noble**, along with youth drummers **William Diarra Humes** and **Jason Simmons**.



A SOULFUL KWANZAA

“American Idol” crowned Birmingham, Alabama native **Ruben Studdard** its 2003 winner after he pulled in 24 million votes. In the years since, Studdard has had a string of gold and platinum records, top-ten albums, and R&B and pop singles. His commitment to community and inner city youth includes the recent launch of the Ruben Studdard Foundation for the Advancement of Children in the Music Arts. In his Museum debut, Studdard, known for his undeniable talent, generous spirit, and self-determination, serenades us from the heart.

Join the “Velvet Teddy Bear” and sing along to soulful songs both classic and new!



INTERNATIONAL MARKETPLACE

MILSTEIN HALL OF OCEAN LIFE | NOON-4 PM

Honor the seven principles of Kwanzaa with an international marketplace, film excerpts from *Let Freedom Sing: How Music Inspired the Civil Rights Movement*, and fun giveaways throughout the day!