

BLACK PANTH

PARTY FOR SELF-DEFENS

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, October 3, 4, 5, 2012

TIME: 7:30-9:00

The Black Panther Party was a progressive political organization that stood in the vanguard of the most powerful movement for social change in America since the Civil War: that dynamic episode generally referred to as The Sixties.

Join us as we honor the 46th Anniversary of the BBPSD with documentary film screenings, panel discussions featuring former members of the Los Angeles Chapter of the Panthers, and a Keynote Address by artist and former Black Panther Minister of Culture, Emory Douglas.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

WEDNESDAY, OCT 3:

8:15 am - Legacy of Torture screening & discussion 9:30 am - Eyes on the Rainbow screening & discussion 11:00 am - Keynote Address by Emory Douglas, Artist and Minister of Culture for BPPSD from 1967-1980s 1:00 pm - Students Perform: "Chimurenga," Spoken Word performed by Maya Singleton, followed by **Open Mic** 2:00 pm - 41st and Central screening & discussion

THURSDAY, OCT 4:

11:00 am - Passin' It On screening & discussion 12:30 pm - COINTELPRO 101 screening & discussion 2:00 pm - Eves on the Rainbow screening & discussion

FRIDAY, OCT 5:

11:00 am - 41st and Central screening & discussion 1:00 pm - Closing Thoughts, L.A. Panthers

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Schedule for the 2012 Film Festival of the Black Panther Party for Self-Defense

Wednesday, October 3

8:15 am

Legacy of Torture: The War Against the Black Liberation Movement Dir. Andres Alegria, Claude Marks, The Freedom Archives (2005) 28 minutes This film tells the grave story of eight Panthers who are being re-tried for a crime alleged to have occurred over 30 years ago, based on testimony elicited through torture at the hands of the New Orleans Police Department.

Post-screening Q&A with Hank Jones, former member of the Black Panther Party for Self-Defense

9:30 am

Eyes on the Rainbow Dir. Gloria Rolando (1997) 47 minutes

The life of Assata Shakur, the Black Panther and Black Liberation Army leader who escaped from prison and was given political asylum in Cuba, where she has lived for close to 15 years. Features interviews with Assata in Havana, who tells us about her history and her life in Cuba. Gloria Rolando on *Eyes on the Rainbow*: "In the struggle of the African American people, many women's voices in the past and the present have always called for social justice. ... *The Eyes of the Rainbow* is dedicated to all women who struggle for a better world."

Post-screening Q&A with Hank Jones, former member of the Black Panther Party for Self-Defense

11:00 am

THE KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Emory Douglas, Former Minister of Culture, Black Panther Party for Self-Defense

Emory Douglas was the Minister of Culture for the Black Panther Party from 1967 until the Party disbanded in the 1980s. His art was featured in most issues of the newspaper *The Black Panther* and has become an iconic representation of the struggles of the Party during the 1960s and 1970s. The *San Francisco Chronicle* reported that Douglas "branded the militant-chic Panther image decades before the concept became commonplace, [inciting] the disenfranchised to action, portraying the poor with genuine empathy, not as victims but as outraged, unapologetic and ready for a fight."

1:00 pm

Students Perform: "Chimurenga," Spoken Word performed by Maya Singleton, followed by Open Mic

2:00 pm

41st and Central: The Untold Story of the L.A. Black Panthers Dir. Gregory Everett (2011) 120 minutes

Using exclusive interviews with former Black Panther Party members along with archival footage detailing the history of racism in Los Angeles, including the Watts Uprising, 41st & Central may be the most in-depth study ever of the murders of L.A. Chapter founder Alprentice "Bunchy" Carter and John Huggins at U.C.L.A. The documentary includes first-hand accounts of the Party's formation as told by the original surviving members and eyewitness accounts of the murders at U.C.L.A.

Post-screening panel discussion with Hank Jones, and Roland Freeman and Wayne Pharr, former Panther members featured in the film

11:00 am

Thursday, October 4

Passin' It On: The Black Panthers' Search for Justice Dir. Jon Valadez (2006) 57 minutes

Offering startling insight into the role of the Black Panther Party in a social revolution, and the NYPD and the FBI's devious targeting of one of the organization's most fervent leaders--Dhoruba Bin Wahad (born Richard Moore). Amid a national program of FBI-led oppression against the Panthers, Dhoruba was framed on flimsy evidence of the wounding and grotesque disfigurement of two police officers and sent to prison. After trials and mistrails, incarceration and eventual acquittal 19 years later, a still-impassioned Dhoruba, his attorneys, and other Panthers finally tell this incredible tale.

Post-screening Q&A with Hank Jones, former member of the Black Panther Party for Self-Defense

12:30 pm

COINTELPRO 101 Freedom Archives (2011) 60 minutes

COINTELPRO may not be a well-understood acronym but its meaning and continuing impact are absolutely central to understanding the government's history of repression against progressive movements. COINTELPRO is both a formal program of the FBI and a term frequently used to describe a conspiracy among government agencies—local, state, and federal—to destroy movements for self-determination and liberation for Black, Brown, Asian, and Indigenous struggles, as well as mount an institutionalized attack against allies of these movements and other progressive organizations.

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2:00 pm

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1:00 pm CLOSING THOUGHTS

Roland Freeman, Hank Jones, and Wayne Pharr, former members of the L.A. Chapter, Black Panther Party for Self-Defense

