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Author and journalist Juan Williams to speak at Palm Beach Community College's King celebration Jan. 12

(Lake Worth, Fla. - Dec. 5, 2005) - Juan Williams, a senior correspondent for National Public Radio and a political analyst for Fox News Channel, will be the keynote speaker for the 7th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Breakfast at Palm Beach Community College.

The celebration is set for Jan. 12 at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Plaza at PBCC in Lake Worth, 4200 Congress Ave. As part of the breakfast, the College also will present Martin Luther King, Jr. Leadership Awards to individuals or organizations that have made major innovative contributions toward improving the lives of others in Palm Beach County, particularly the underserved, through leadership, service and/or programs.

"We are delighted that Mr. Williams has accepted our invitation to participate in the College's annual Martin Luther King Breakfast Celebration," said Dr. Dennis Gallon, PBCC president.

Williams, a former prize-winning columnist and editorial writer for *The Washington Post*, is the author of several books, including his nonfiction bestseller, "Eyes on the Prize: America's Civil Rights Years, 1954-1965," the companion volume to the critically acclaimed television series. His biography, "Thurgood Marshall: American Revolutionary," originally released in paperback in 2000, was reissued in 2004 with a new epilogue to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's *Brown vs. Board of Education* decision.

His most recent book, "My Soul Looks Back in Wonder," presents stirring eyewitness accounts from about 50 people actively involved in the Civil Rights Movement.

Prior to writing bestsellers, Williams was a political analyst and national

correspondent for *The Washington Post*. In a more than 20-year career at the paper, he served as editorial writer, op-ed columnist and White House reporter. He won several journalism awards for his writing and investigative reporting.

A graduate of Haverford College, Williams holds a bachelor's degree in philosophy. Currently, he sits on a number of boards, including the Haverford College Board of Trustees, the Aspen Institute of Communications and Society Program, Washington Journalism Center and the New York Civil Rights Coalition.

Editor's note: For a photo of Juan Williams, please visit www.pbcc.edu/crm/releasepics/juanwilliams.jpg.

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