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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

# Palm Beach Community College to celebrate Black History Month with series of events

(Lake Worth, Fla. – Jan. 29, 2008) Palm Beach Community College will commemorate Black History Month with a series of musical performances, displays and other events highlighting the contributions of African Americans to society. Events will be held at all PBCC locations. They are free unless otherwise noted. Some highlights are:

## Throughout February – Palm Beach Gardens

- The library at PBCC's Palm Beach Gardens location will have a display on African American inventors with details on their inventions. Among them are Garrett Morgan whose many inventions included the gas mask and the first traffic signal; Madam C.J. Walker who invented several hair care products and George Washington Carver who invented peanut butter. Library hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Fridays and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays.

## Friday, Feb. 1 – Belle Glade

- **Here & Now... The Legacy of Luther Vandross** will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center at PBCC in Belle Glade. Singer and songwriter Terry Steele will bring the music of the legendary eight-time Grammy Award winning Vandross to life in this performance accompanied by a sextet of vocalists and a band. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$17 for senior citizens and \$10 for children and PBCC students and staff. Tickets are selling fast. Call the Box Office at (561) 993-1160.

## Wednesday, Feb. 13 – Belle Glade

- **Sol Griots**, a local African drumming and dance group, will perform on the campus patio at PBCC in Belle Glade from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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## **Tuesday, Feb. 12 – Palm Beach Gardens**

- **Black Violin**, a “violin strolling duo” comprising classically trained violinists Kev Marcus and Wi-B, will perform from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Meldon Lecture Hall at PBCC in Palm Beach Gardens. Friends since middle school, the two enrolled at Florida State University after graduating from Miami’s Dillard High School Performing Arts Center. Since its debut, Black Violin has played to standing ovation crowds nationwide. The duo captivated the audience in Harlem and clinched the Showtime at the Apollo 2005 Legend title. They also accompanied Alicia Keys at the 2004 Billboard Awards and have performed on the same bill with some of the industry’s biggest artists, including Aerosmith, The Eagles, Stevie Nicks, Linkin Park, 50 Cent, Lloyd Banks, Nas, Fabolous, Ciara, Fat Joe, Lil Wayne, Tony Touch, and Miami’s own Iconz and Wrecogniz.

## **Friday, Feb. 22 – Lake Worth**

- The **8<sup>th</sup> annual Comedy and Talent Explosion** will be held at 8 p.m. at the Duncan Theatre, 4200 Congress Ave. Comedian Marvin Dixon, a former Miami radio personality who has appeared on BET’s “Comic View,” HBO’s “Def Comedy Jam” and served as a host of urban nights at the Improv comedy club in West Palm Beach, will host the event. In the talent competition, sponsored by the PBCC chapter of the National Council on Black American Affairs, PBCC students will vie for three scholarships: \$600 for first place; \$500 for second place and \$400 for third place. Performances include dancing, singing, monologues, spoken word and more. Tickets are \$10. For more ticket information, call (561) 868-3127.

For a complete listing of Black History Month events, visit [www.pbcc.edu](http://www.pbcc.edu).

**Palm Beach Community College**, Florida’s first public community college, is celebrating its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary throughout 2008. The largest institution of higher education in Palm Beach County, PBCC serves more than 45,000 students annually through its associate degrees, professional certificates, career and customized training and lifelong learning. The College offers more than 100 programs of study at locations in Lake Worth, Boca Raton, Palm Beach Gardens and Belle Glade.

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