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Press Release

Black History Month Art Display at East Cleveland Public Library

East Cleveland, OH, February 13, 2015: Anansi Artists Alliance is featuring 14 artists and their work at the East Cleveland Public Library during the month of February in celebration of Black History Month.

Rodney Carpenter (Roc) is a local Cleveland, Ohio artist and graduate from Cleveland Institute of Art. He exhibits artwork at universities, galleries, and churches throughout the U.S. His unique style merges subject matters and mediums in his projects.

Born in Cleveland, Ohio, **Sky Davison** has been developing himself as a modern day renaissance man. Graduating fifth in his class, he received a BFA in Industrial Design and minor in graphic design from the Cleveland Institute of Art.

Harold 'Chief' Hubbard is a Cleveland Ohio native. Self taught he works in several mediums. Has worked freelance and in graphic and custom design.

While in an Early Childhood Education art class, **Charllen Huff** realized that art is her passion. Judging by the energy Charllen felt while in the process of creating, Charllen knew that art was where she found peace. She could easily identify that art was an immediate catalyst for change in her life.

Regina Maple's love of art, literature, music, cultural and history culminate into her very personal art as an expression of her life experience.

Keesha McMillian, a Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor, is also an author, artist, and photographer. She works as a child and family therapist at the Center for Families and Children where she develops programs to advocate on behalf of children.

Ed Parker is a retired professor, master artist, educator, and entrepreneur. He studied at the Toledo Museum of Art as a child, earned a bachelor's degree in art from Central State University in Wilberforce, OH and a Master's Degree in Art Education, with an emphasis in sculpting, from Kent State University.

Painting and drawing was **Charles Pinkey's** major course of study at Glenville High School in Cleveland, Ohio, Cooper School of Art, Fenn College, Kent State University, Cuyahoga Community College and Karamu House.

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Steven A. Ramsey was born and raised in Cleveland Ohio, graduated from Central State University in Wilberforce Ohio and eventually relocated to Houston, Texas.

Born and raised in Cleveland Ohio, Sampson Smiley is an artist and musician whose first passion has always been art. His inspiration comes from artists like Jean-Michel Basquiat and Kanye West.

Larry Tinsley was 1998 honors graduate from the Art Institute of Pittsburgh. He currently is a substitute teacher at Cuyahoga Community College Eastern Campus, where he teaches painting, in watercolor and pastel.

Bonnie Venable's artwork has been on display at galleries in the Greater Cleveland area. Her art reflects the beauty she sees in the world in a simple and straight-forward way.

Kimberlee Venable, a native of Shaker Heights Ohio, is an artist and educator living and working in Brooklyn, NY. She received her MFA from the School of Visual Arts, NY, NY in 2011 and her BFA from the Cleveland Institute of Art, Cleveland, OH in 2005.