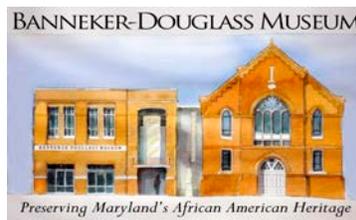


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***Banneker-Douglass Museum To Celebrate 30th Anniversary
With Art Unveiling and Reception***

ANNAPOLIS, MD- THURSDAY, August 7, at 7:00pm, the Banneker-Douglass Museum will host an art unveiling of “Peace Be Within These Walls,” a 15-foot mosaic created by artist Loring Cornish in honor of the museum’s 30th anniversary. A reception will follow.

The Banneker-Douglass Museum, named for Benjamin Banneker and Frederick Douglass, makes its home in the former Mount Moriah African Methodist Episcopal Church, built in 1874 and located in the heart of historic Annapolis. Sold to Anne Arundel County in 1970, and later saved from demolition by a group of community advocates, the Victorian-Gothic structure was included in the Annapolis Historic District in 1971 and placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1973.

“Peace Be Within These Walls,” created by renowned visionary artist and Baltimore native Loring Cornish, is composed of glass fragments from the structure’s original stained glass windows. Fragments of the windows – broken before the building’s preservation – were recently rediscovered by the museum’s staff and repurposed for this project.

This is a free event. To RSVP, please contact the museum at 410-216-6180 or at bannekerdouglassmuseum@gmail.com.

WHAT:

Art Unveiling for “Peace Be Within These Walls,” celebrating the 30th anniversary of the Banneker-Douglass Museum.

WHO:

Banneker-Douglass Museum Staff
Artist Loring Cornish
Members of the community

WHEN: Thursday, August 7, 2014, 7:00pm-8:00pm

WHERE: Banneker-Douglass Museum – 84 Franklin Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

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As the State of Maryland's official museum of African American heritage, the Banneker-Douglass Museum serves to document, interpret, and promote the history and culture of African American Marylanders through exhibitions, programs, and projects in order to improve the understanding and appreciation of America's rich cultural diversity for all. The Banneker-Douglass Museum is a component of the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture, which is a unit of the Governor's Office of Community Initiatives.