

DETROIT NEGRO LEAGUES CENTENNIAL SYMPOSIUM

Thursday, September 24, 2020

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Plus afternoon self-driving tour of Detroit's historic Negro League sites

Hosted by the Detroit Historical Museum, the Friends of Historic Hamtramck Stadium, the Black Historic Sites Committee, the Piast Institute, and the Detroit Chapter of the Society for American Baseball Research (SABR).

Participation via ZOOM

WHY THE NEGRO LEAGUES STILL MATTER



WELCOME ADDRESS: Wayne County CEO Warren Evans.

PANEL DISCUSSION: **The Negro Leagues Centennial, the Detroit Stars, Black Baseball in Michigan, and the enduring legacy and significance of the Negro Leagues.** Panelists include **Gary Gillette**, Chair and Founder of the Friends of Historic Hamtramck Stadium and Detroit Stars historian; **Phil Dixon**, nationally prominent Negro Leagues historian, author, and speaker; **Mitch Lutzke**, author of the award-winning book *The Page Fence Giants*; **Mike 'Tiger' Price**; Detroit sports and music historian and Detroit Sports Zone board member; and **Ron Teasley**, former Negro League player, Wayne State Athletic Hall of Famer, and Detroit Northwestern coach. Moderated by **Jamon Jordan**, Detroit historian, educator, and founder of the Black Scroll Network.

VIRTUAL PRESENTATIONS: Following the panel, ten prerecorded video presentations on the Negro Leagues and related topics will be posted on the Detroit Historical Museum's Website – available for free viewing.

AFTERNOON TOUR: In addition, the **Friends of Historic Hamtramck Stadium** and the **Detroit Historical Museum's Black Historic Sites Committee** will be hosting a free self-driving tour of Negro League sites in Detroit throughout the afternoon – beginning at 1:00 p.m. and expected to last until 6:00 p.m. The tour itinerary will be posted online along with MP3s with each site's information for self-guided tours. Participants are invited to join the group by driving in their own vehicles to each site – in order – and hearing a brief presentation before traveling to the next site. Participants may join or depart the tour at any point. **There is no charge for the tour.**

MORE INFORMATION about the symposium (including ZOOM link) and the tour can be found at www.detroitstars.org.