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Our Neighborhood Association Meetings:



West End Neighborhood Development
1st Tuesday, 7:00 PM
West End Library, 525 Peoples Street SW.



West End Neighborhood Association Residents
1st Tuesday, 6:00 PM—7:00 PM
Kroger City Center Community Room

Our Neighborhood Planning Unit (NPU) Meeting:

NPU-T, 2nd Wednesday, 7 PM. KIPP Strive. 1444 Lucile Ave. SW

About The Newsletter

- The newsletter is published monthly. Copies are hand-delivered, free-of-charge, to all residents in the Historic West End neighborhood. Copies are also available at West End Library, West End Print Shop.
- Our volunteers: Brent Brewer, Myrna Anderson-Fuller, Jennifer Kimball, Beth McBee, Kalin Thomas, Stacey Walford, Shawn Deangelo Walton, and our many neighborhood distributors.
- To submit stories or distribute, contact Brent Brewer at 404.447.0282 or ourwestendnewsletter@gmail.com.

On The Cover



Get Out & Do Something for Good of West End

Saturday, June 13, 10-11:30am. FREE. African Art Repair Workshop. Hammonds House Museum. Maintaining Your African American Art Collection: From Shattered to Sublime.

Saturday, June 13, 11am-1pm. FREE. Mayor's Summer Reading Club. The Wren's Nest. Pre-K to Rising 1st Grade Kids get free books. RSVP required to kalin@wrensnest.org or 404-753-7735.

Saturday, June 13, 1:30 PM. FREE. Juneteenth Atlanta Parade featuring Kebbi Williams. Line up at Booker T. Washington and march to Mozley Park for a family friendly day of remembrance.

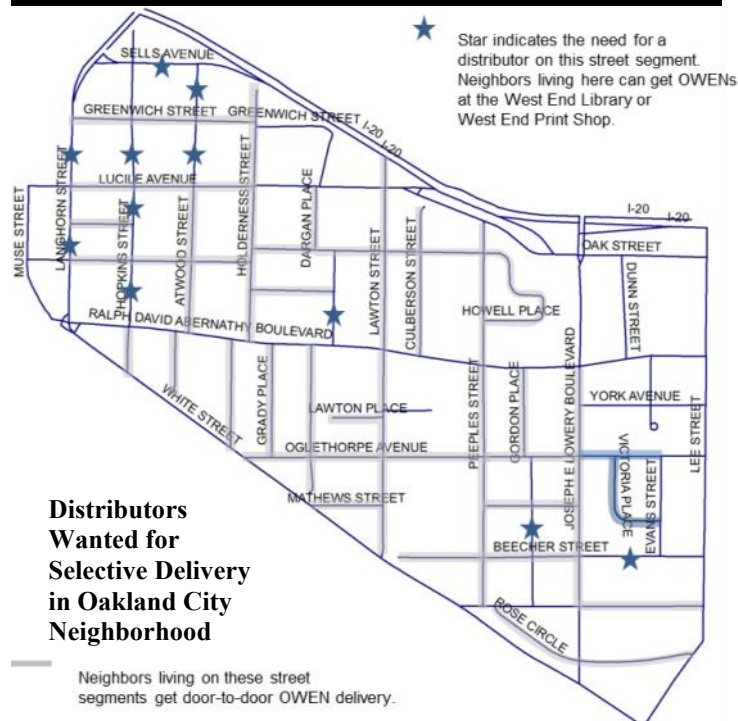
Saturday, June 13, 6 pm. FREE. WEND Porch Party. Get porch location at atlantawestend.com. Don't forget to bring a lite bite, spirit, a neighbor and a smile!

Thursday, Saturday, June 18. Party with the Past. The Wren's Nest House Museum. Free history, cold beer (for purchase).

Saturday, June 20. 11am-8pm. 8th Annual Summer Soulstice. Celebration. Westview Village on RDA Blvd. Ticket information at atlantawestview.com.

Saturday, June 27. 7-11pm. Candlelight Picnic Concert. Tickets and table purchases at atlantawestend.com. Bring your own picnic.

West End Historic District



Our West End Newsletter

June 2015

"Creating a Vibrant Community"

Issue 52



Get Out & Do Something for the Good of West End

By Brent Brewer

What do we do better than anyone else (in three words)?

Walkable West End is a favorite neighborhood brand but there have been others. Ultimately, a brand's success is dependent on the level of community participation.

A neighborhood's brand is what others think about it, its reputation. The brand is made up of all the things people see, hear and experience about the neighborhood. Well-branded neighborhoods plan activities to match and reinforce their identity.

In Atlanta Streets Alive/ Music in the Park ATL, we have found a single activity that reinforces our neighborhood's identity and celebrates our neighborhood's assets with tens of thousands of Atlantans. There are plenty of other scheduled summer activities including the *Candlelight Picnic Concert* to show your neighborhood pride (see June activities

40 THOUSAND LAPS FOR YOUTH



on page 8). Get on out there (cool points for walking/ biking to the events)!

WeCycle has proposed an activity that could expand our neighborhood brand. From now until July 11th, everybody (kids and adults) take a few bike laps around West End Park. Goal: 40,000 laps biked around West End Park (1 lap = 1/3 mile). To accomplish the goal, at least 400 people need to complete 100 laps in 30 days (currently there are about 60 participants).

WeCycle Atlanta offers free bike rentals for bike lappers. Go it alone or with a group of kids or adults. Free yoga on Sunday to stretch out those leg muscles.

If the overall 40,000 lap goal is met, the number of West End bicyclists will rival any Atlanta neighborhood.

We can then add to our neighborhood brand: bike-friendly.

WeCycle Atlanta, our neighborhood bike co-op, is located across the street from West End Park (on the Oak street side).

Empowering Neighborhoods to Impact Housing Recovery

What are people saying about your neighborhood?
How can you strengthen demand and boost home sales in your neighborhood?

On Saturday, June 6, Our West End Newsletter participated in a special training for neighborhood leaders that addressed these questions.

NeighborWorks sponsored a half-day workshop designed to engage, educate and empower those in neighborhoods struggling to recover from the foreclosure crisis. Top experts shared practical, proven strategies to return neighborhoods to health.

Of particular interest to Atlanta's Historic West End, a national expert gave instruction on how to understand your neighborhood's brand, how to best position your neighborhood assets, reshape your neighborhood image, and ultimately increase buyer demand.



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EXHIBITIONS



CULTURAL DIAGNOSTICS

The Imprint of African Textiles and Objects From The Collection of Michael Mack

Private Eyes: A Selection of Works by Visual Mythologist Lynn Marshall-Linnemeler From The Collection of Michael Mack

The View From Collier Heights

a photographic exhibition by photographer Lydia A. Harris

Auburn Avenue Research Library
Satellite Gallery At Hammonds House Museum



PROGRAMS

Book Signing and Discussion
Remembering the Redwood Grill by Rod Womack
Sunday, June 07 / 3:00 pm

African Art Repair Workshop
Maintaining Your African Art Collection: From Shattered to Sublime
Instructor: Irvin Wheeler, Artist and Collector
Saturday, June 13 / 10:00 – 11:30 am

Community Discussion with Panel of Scholars / Activists
Black Rebellion in Georgia
From the Ogeechee Insurrection to Black Power and Beyond
Sunday, June 14 / 3:00 pm

Community Lecture
The Legacy of Jefferson Franklin Long: Facilitated by Monica Kauffman Pearson
Saturday, June 20 / 3:00 pm

Film Screening
Let Freedom Sing
How Music Inspired the Civil Rights Movement
Saturday, June 20 / 5:30 pm

Film Screening
Space is the Place
This event will also include a reception / listening party with the sale of rare vintage vinyl LPs from the time period. All proceeds benefit the Friends of the Auburn Avenue Research Library.
Thursday, June 25 / 7:00 pm

Film Screening
Black Girl (La Noire De...)
African Cinema as Art Film Series, Featuring the Work of Ousmane Sembene
Saturday, June 27 / 3:00 pm

Exhibition
Black Architects Who Are Artists
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Candlelight Picnic Concert 2014

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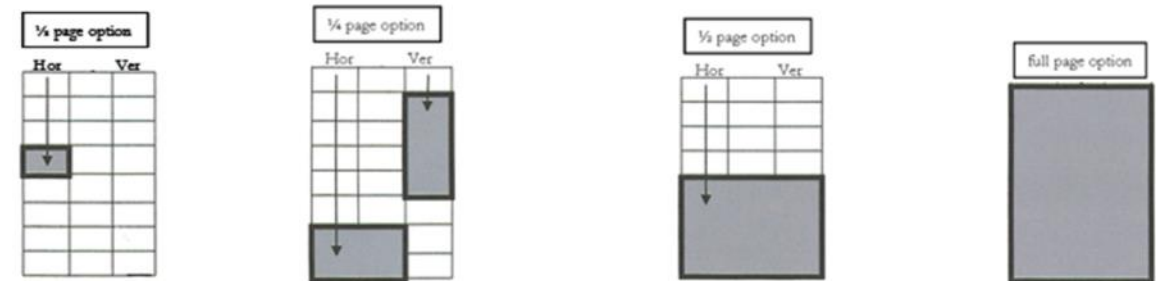
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June Yard of the Month Winner:
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by the 20th of the month for consideration.



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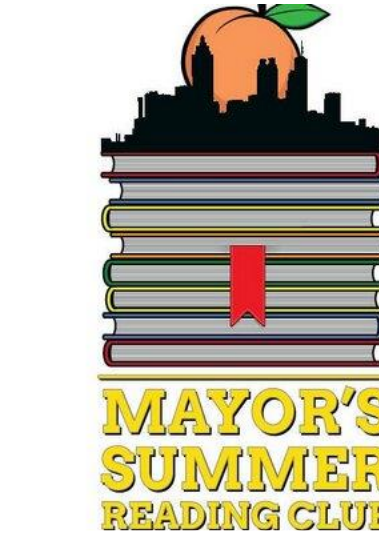
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Saturday, June 13, 11am - 1pm
Pre K - 1st grade

All events are FREE and open to the public. REGISTRATION IS
REQUIRED. RSVP to kalin@wrensnest.org or 404-753-7735.



2015 SOUTHWEST 5K

// WHERE
Gordon White Park
1350 Ralph David Abernathy Blvd. SW
Atlanta, GA 30310

// WHEN
Saturday, July 11, 2015
7:30am - 9:30am

// PRICING & REGISTRATION
Participate as an individual, join a team, or register your own team.

- \$35 - Regular Price
- \$40 - Race Day
- \$10 - 1K Youth Fun Run

Learn more and sign up at: beltline.org/sw5k

Visit beltline.org/races for information on the Southwest 5k and our other 2015 Run.Walk.Go! race series events.

// Team Challenge

Form or join a team, and compete for a \$500 cash purse, to be divided between largest, fastest and most spirited teams!

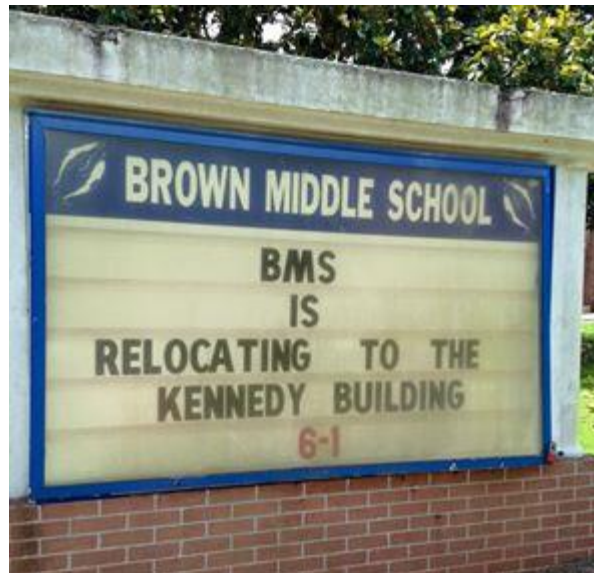
// 1K Youth Fun Run

Kids will love the friendly competition the 1K Youth Fun Run offers. Registration for little runners 12 and under is \$10 and includes a free kids tshirt!

// Become a Community Builder

Become a Community Builder, and we'll donate \$5 to your nonprofit for every registrant you sign up for our Run.Walk.Go! Race Series. Learn more at: beltline.org/community-builders

Brown Middle School Closed For Renovations Until 2017



According to Atlanta Public Schools, next month renovations will begin on Brown Middle School. Renovations plan to be completed by 2017.

Students and staff will be temporarily relocated to the former Kennedy Middle School facility, during the renovations and additions to the Brown MS facility. The Kennedy Middle School facility is located at 225 James P. Brawley Drive SW, Atlanta, GA 30314.

In related news, Patchwork City Farms located on the Brown Middle School campus will continue operation during the construction.

Essential Theater Festival Returns to Performing Arts Center

By Jennifer Kimball

Essential Theatre continues its tradition of premiering the best new work by Georgia playwrights for Atlanta audiences with this summer's Essential Theatre Play Festival, taking place July 24 through August 23 at the West End Performing Arts Center, located at 945 Ralph David Abernathy Boulevard.

The West End Performing Arts Center is an intimate venue nestled in the heart of Historic West End. If you attended last summer's festival, you're already familiar with its friendly staff accessible location and relaxed neighborhood vibe.

For this summer's Festival, Essential will be presenting the World Premiere of this year's playwriting award winner, *Lillian Likes It* by Joshua Mikel and the Professional World Premiere of Natalia Naman's *Old Ship of Zion*.

About Essential Theatre

Since its first festival in 1999, the Essential Theatre has presented 25 new works by Georgia writers, all receiving productions of the highest artistic quality through Essential and many going on to receive future productions elsewhere in Atlanta and across the country. This will be the fourth all-Georgia festival, and it's sure to be a winner. Tickets will be on sale soon at <http://www.essentialtheatre.com/>.

About Each Play (flyer pictured on next page):

The Old Ship of Zion by Natalia Naman
Directed by Peter Hardy

The warm, funny, moving story of the members of a small, struggling African-American church in Columbus, Georgia, centering on the beloved elder "Mama Gwen," who feels the burden of other church members who depend on her and lean on the strength of her faith, and a young man who loves his church but is beginning to realize that he's gay. A Professional World Premiere about people searching for a spiritual life in trying times. With lots of music!

Lillian Likes It by Joshua Mikel
Directed by Shannon Eubanks

Starting out as a satirical look at the world of social media, this quirky comedy takes a turn into deeper territory when a young women begins to think she may have found the perfect guy—he may be dead, but his profile still exists online, and isn't that really almost as good? Winner of the 2015 Essential Theatre Playwriting Award.



Natalia Naman,
author of *Old Ship of Zion*



Joshua Mikel,
author of *Lillian Likes It* and winner of the 2015 Essential Theatre Playwriting Contest. Photo by Robert Bryce Milburn

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