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NANM Logo: Female Face - the singer; the Hand - the writer, composer; Keyboard Collar - the instruments; Male Face - the impresario

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## 2012 GLB Scholarship Competition Winners

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**GLB Board Members meets  
Tuesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 PM, at  
Kim's Restaurant - 3860  
Crenshaw Blvd., LA, CA 90008.  
Contact: Danellen Joseph -  
(323) 737-0137  
to advise her if you will or will  
not be attending this meeting.**



From left to right: Victor Ekpo, violinist – 3rd Place; Sulwe Green, pianist – 2nd Place and Annelle K. Gregory, violinist & Keeland Bowers, saxophonist – both 1st Place winners.

### **The 2012 GLB Scholarship Competition Is A Rousing Success**

The quality of the thirteen contestants participating in this year's competition made it impossible for the large, highly enthusiastic audience to keep their hands in their laps or stay seated, as ovation after ovation followed each performance – with some of the performances receiving standing ovations. Such was the atmosphere on Saturday, May 12, 2012, at Crenshaw United Methodist Church. These contestants knew what was at stake and certainly brought his/her 'A game' to this competition. The judges, Kay O' Kelly, A. Phoenix Delgado and Terrence Jones, were certainly hard-pressed to pick the scholarship recipients (pictured above), so much so that two 1st place GLB scholarships had to be awarded. GLB Scholarship Chairperson, Mrs. Dorothy J. Hayes commented that she was extremely happy that the quality of this year's contestants was so evenly matched – so much so that the judges really had their work cut out for them. She is looking forward to being able to have a similar quality of applicants for the 2013 GLB Scholarship Competition. Mrs. Hayes also credited the generosity of the Betty Cox Scholarship Fund, which was established to augment the GLB Scholarship Awards. The awards were announced at the reception that followed.

## 2012 GLB Scholarship Competition Contestants



Surrounding Co-chairperson, Gloria Lindsay (left-front) and GLB Scholarship Chairperson, Dorothy J. Hayes (right-front) are, from back row, left to right: Justin Lewis, vocalist; Amber Daughtry, pianist (with hand on head); Sulwe Green, pianist; Dwayne Loudermilk, pianist; Vivian Aljean Ridgway, vocalist; Annelle K. Gregory, violinist; Jessica Irvine, vocalist and Nader Shayegh, violinist. In the front row (left to right): Keeland Bowers, saxophonist, Victor Ekpo, violinist, Joseph Ekpo, violist and Jordan Busa, violinist.

### Georgia Laster Branch Honorary Membership Bestowed

In addition to the excitement and enthusiasm of the scholarship competition, on May 12<sup>th</sup>, Dera Tatum, a past GLB Vice President, gave an in-depth recounting of the steadfast, continual 'background' support of the person who has selflessly contributed, over many years, to the ongoing success of the annual GLB Scholarship Competition. With the unanimous approval of the GLB members, she asked that **Mr. Ed. Lindsay**, come forward to be welcomed as the newest Honorary Member of the Georgia Laster Branch of NANM, Inc. There was enthusiastic applause. Mr. Lindsay gave a brief speech – "I thank you very much."

### GLB Member Honored at Scholarship Awards Luncheon

The *Stovall Educational Uplift Foundation* celebrates its 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship Awards event with a luncheon at the Proud Bird Restaurant, Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> – reception 1:30 PM, luncheon 2:00 PM. In addition to the scholarship awards being presented to deserving youth, the foundation also will present certificates and trophies of appreciation to four distinguished honorees: Dr. Phillip Humphries, **Mrs. Danellen Joseph**, Dr. George McKenna, III and Dr. Myrna Nobles. GLB Member Danellen Joseph, who retired, after having been an educator within the Los Angeles school system for more that 35 years, has continued to reach out to the youth. Because she has continued her work, mentoring youth in the underserved communities in the Greater Los Angeles Area, the foundation chose her as one of its honorees. The membership of GLB extends their hearty congratulations to Danellen Joseph for her continued, selfless dedication. Also of note, GLB member **Charles Peters**, in addition to being the new musical director of the *DLW Community Chorale*, serves on the *Stovall Educational Uplift Foundation's* Board of Directors as its Financial Advisor. Luncheon reservations are available – call (323) 291-6916 ticket prices.

**\*Birthdays this Month:**



Dorothy Grayson, June 12th  
 Betty A. Harbison, June 19th  
 Danellen Joseph, June 7th

\*If your name is missing, contact Jim Bryant - 661-273-1744. It will appear here, next year.

**Member Prayers & Concerns:**



Corinne Howe Ball,  
 Meryl Hinkle,  
 Henry Charles Johnson,  
 Vennie Johnson,  
 Geraldine Jones,  
 Sandra Wheeler

**Give it a Try:**

*There is no better time than right now to be happy. Happiness is a journey, not a destination. So, work like you don't need money, love like you've never been hurt, and dance like no one's watching.*

--Anonymous



**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME** for the 2012-2013 fiscal year is upon us. Please complete the included GLB renewal form and mail it, along with your check for \$75.00, to: Ms. Henrietta Fortson, 3309 W. 82<sup>nd</sup> St., Inglewood, CA 90305. GLB needs your active participation.

**Heritage Music Foundation Conference**

The *Dr. Margaret P. Douroux 27<sup>th</sup> Annual National Heritage Gospel Music Conference* will take place July 25-28, 2012, at Christ Our Redeemer AME Church, 46 Maxwell, Irvine, CA 92618, hosted by Rev. Mark E. Whitlock, Sr. Pastor. For specific details please contact Glen Ford (310) 493-7423 or (310) 674-1903.

*From the President*

**GLB Plans Scholarship Competition Reception!**

The 2012 GLB Scholarship Competition event, held on May 12<sup>th</sup>, was a tremendous success and was followed by a reception planned and prepared by members of the branch! From baked chicken, spicy wings, buckets of fried chicken, pasta salads, green salads, coleslaws, to cookies, cakes and punch ... the works! Additionally, there were sandwiches and a large cake, brought by Helen Starks, a contribution by Lila Wesley that was enjoyed by everyone. Those who didn't prepare or bring food for the reception made monetary contributions. Thanks to all the participants -- Jim Bryant, Robert Ball, Henrietta Fortson, Joel Gray, Melanie Jackson, Dorothy Hayes, Gloria Thompson, Alva Harper, Yolanda West, Sandra Wheeler, Mamie Henry, Fred Johnson, and Ed and Gloria Lindsay. An additional thanks to Cora McCasker, Yolanda West and Alva Harper for the setup and the decorations for this reception. It was a great ride, thank you.

To everyone, I give many, many thanks.

Sincerely,  
*Mamie Henry*

PS – If I left anyone out, it was because of my head and not my heart.

**NANM National Convention Reminder**

The NANM National Convention will be held in Dallas, TX, from July 29, 2012 thru August 1, 2012, at the Park Inn by Radisson — Dallas Love Field — 1241 W. Mockingbird Lane — Dallas, TX 75247. For Reservations phone 214-630-7000.

**Inner City Youth Orchestra of Los Angeles  
*A Season Ending Concert***

3:00 PM, Sunday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, at Walt Disney Concert Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> and Grand Ave., Los Angeles, CA. Tickets: \$15-\$40 (50% of price is tax deductible. Call 310-344-4805 or 800-838-3006. Charles Dickerson is the Founder/Music Director & Conductor of this music organization made up of talented youth from the underserved communities of the Greater Los Angeles Area. The ICYOLA performed at the Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial dedication in Washington, DC.



**BULLETIN:** GLB's next branch meeting will be Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00 PM at Holman UMC – Room 204. At this meeting the members will be casting their votes to elect or re-elect officers for the 2012-2013 fiscal year. The Nominating Committee is still accepting your recommendations for the offices of President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer and Chaplain. Your active participation is needed and is very important. Your bodies and your minds are critical, for us to have a fruitful and an amazing year. You are urged to be an ACTIVE member, so that the mission and purpose of the Georgia Laster Branch can expand and endure. Please arrange your schedules to accommodate this most important meeting.

### GLB 2012 Scholarship Winner Awards to be Presented

**Sunday, July 8, 2012, at 3:00 PM, at Crenshaw United Methodist Church, 3740 Don Felipe Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90008, the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners of the 2012 GLB Scholarship Competition** will be presented their encouragement scholarship awards. GLB is pleased to be able to have two 1<sup>st</sup> Place, one 2<sup>nd</sup> Place and one 3<sup>rd</sup> Place award recipients. If you had the good fortune to attend our scholarship competition, on May 12<sup>th</sup>, then you are well aware of the outstanding candidates who competed for these awards. Our judges, Kay O'Kelly, A. Phoenix Delgado and Terrence Jones, had a most difficult and challenging assignment, in making these final decisions. We are especially indebted to the GLB Scholarship Committee, Chaired by Dorothy Jackson Hayes and extraordinarily assisted by Co-chair Gloria Lindsay and all of the scholarship committee members. They all worked tirelessly to have applicants of such exceptionally high quality who wanted to compete for the four awards being presented. Bravo and congratulations for a difficult job well done.

### GLB Members Installs Their Officers for the 2012-2013 Season

Also, **Sunday, July 8, 2012 at Crenshaw United Methodist Church at 2:00 PM**, GLB will have its final branch meeting for the 2011-2012 season. In addition to the standard business, GLB will install its new officers for the 2012-2013 season. Again, the GLB members are heartily encouraged to attend, so they can welcome in the new roster of their elected officers (some of whom may have been re-elected). Again, please arrange your schedules to accommodate this very important meeting/event.

#### James S. Bryant, Interim Editor

Editor's Note: The 15th of the current month is the DEADLINE for submittal, via e-mail, of materials for the next month's issue to James

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