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February Events at the Brooklyn Historical Society

January 18, Brooklyn, NY -- The Brooklyn Historical Society has a number of exciting programs happening this February and we wanted you to be the first to know about them.

Wednesday, February 2, 6:00-7:30pm

Central Brooklyn Jazz Consortium Event

Central Brooklyn Jazz Consortium (CBJC) will introduce its newly elected chairperson, Mr. Clarence Mosley, Jr. during an reception at BHS. Clarence Mosley is a Vice President at JPMorgan Chase and a jazz pianist. This event will feature food and live music and is free and open to the public. For information call CBJC at 718.773.2252 or e-mail, info@cbjczazz.org.

Friday and Saturday, February 11-12, Friday, 11:30am-5:00pm; Saturday, 10:00am-5:00pm

NY Creates Red Show- Valentine's Craft Fair

NY Creates in association with the Brooklyn Historical Society will hold a Valentine's Day Weekend Crafts Fair at BHS. Come pick up handmade jewelry, clothing, pottery, soaps, sweets and other treats for your Valentine at the fair. The fair will take place on the ground floor entrance of BHS. Another sweet treat: All visitors to BHS receive free admission to the museum during the Fair.

Sunday, February 13, 2:00 pm

Brooklyn Storytelling

Selected people from Nina Talbot's portraits will share stories of their life paths.

Storytellers:

Eric Newsum, son of Tuskegee Airman, Fitzroy Newsum.

Fran Onne, daughter of a 100 year old Chinese woman who lived through the Japanese invasion of China, and one of the first Chinese woman immigrants to the US.

Daniel Rivera, Founder of the Restoration of the Taíno Nation of the Antilles. Elder, Storyteller and Spiritual Leader of the Nation.

Eva Rand, survivor of Mauthausen concentration camp-what was it like to live in a Nazi concentration camp.

Saturday, February 19, 2:00 pm

The Legacy of Charles Ebbets, Lecture by John Zinn

During his more than a quarter of a century as Dodger club President and owner, Charles Ebbets built two new homes for his team. While the first was a relatively uncomplicated wooden structure (Washington Park, 1898), the second, which bore his name, became the beloved home of the Dodgers and one of the most famous ballparks in baseball history. Ebbets Field was an important part of the strong connection that Charles Ebbets created between Brooklyn and his baseball team. John Zinn, lead historian for BHS' Ex-Lab exhibition, *Home Base: Memories of*

the Dodgers at Ebbets Field, will discuss Ebbets achievement in building his new ballpark and how he developed the relationship between the ball club and the borough.

Sunday, February 20, 2:00pm

Brooklyn Baseball Film Series

In conjunction with our current exhibit, [Home Base: Memories of the Brooklyn Dodgers at Ebbets Field](#), the BHS celebrates the beginning of spring training with a film series on Brooklyn baseball. The films will be shown on three consecutive Sundays in February and March.

We begin with *The Brooklyn Dodgers: An American Treasure* directed by little dizzy productions (63 minutes) This film chronicles the Brooklyn Dodgers from their beginnings in the 1880's through that sad day in 1957 when they left Brooklyn. Owned by Walter O'Malley, the Dodgers appeared in 9 World Series while in Brooklyn, finally winning their only World Championship, against the Yankees, in 1955. Known for their tendency to lose the pennant on the last day of the season, the Dodgers are remembered for creating one of the most meaningful events, when in 1947 Branch Rickey signed Jackie Robinson, thereby breaking the color barrier in professional sports. Experience the dynamic history of the Brooklyn Dodgers through this important film featuring some of the most memorable players in baseball. \$3 suggested donation.

While you are at BHS for the film, please visit our exhibit [Home Base: Memories of the Brooklyn Dodgers at Ebbets Field](#) and record your experiences and memories of the Dodgers at the "Post Game Wrap Up." Your contributions will then become part of the exhibit and Brooklyn Dodgers history!

Saturday, February 26, 2:00 pm-4:00 pm

Eric Frazier Jazz Concert

Eric Frazier is a well known Brooklyn Jazz icon. His music is aired on radio and internet streams throughout the world. His CD "IN Your Own Time," was the number one Jazz CD played on radio across the country in 2006. He recently produced the first annual Fort Greene Park Jazz Festival in Brooklyn this past summer. Eric's style of music incorporates genres of Jazz including swing, blues, bebop and Latin Jazz, as well as salsa, calypso, r&b, Broadway, afro-beat and world music. In 1998 while Eric was delivering a solo performance on congas, the legendary drummer Max Roach, who was in the audience, was prompted to take the stage and tell the people that they should savor the moment because they were in the midst of a great conga player. Visit www.ericfraziermusic.com for more information. Tickets can be purchased online [here](#) or in person the day of the event. **Tickets are \$12 BHS members/\$15 non-members.**

Sunday, February 27, 2:00 pm

Brooklyn Baseball Film Series

In celebration of African-American History Month and in conjunction with our current exhibit [Home Base: Memories of the Brooklyn Dodgers at Ebbets Field](#), BHS is showing *The Life of Jackie Robinson* a film which tells the true story of how baseball-great Jackie Robinson fought racial discrimination and broke the color barrier in baseball. Jackie Robinson stars as himself in this biographical film which recounts his youth, success at UCLA, military service, Negro League experience and his extraordinary achievement at becoming the first African-American player in major league baseball. The film co-stars Ruby Dee, Minor Watson and Louise Beavers. \$3 suggested donation.

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