

## THINK TANK 2015 Educating for Struggle: Social Justice, Empathy and Social Transformation

## Thursday, November 12

6:00 pm Seating Opens for Screening

Strosacker Auditorium, 2180 Adelbert Road

6:30 pm Finding the Gold Within - Documentary Film and Discussion

Participants - Darius Simpson and Imani Scruggs

Friday, November 13

6:00 pm Seating Opens for Keynote Address

Church of the Covenant, 11205 Euclid Avenue

7:00 – 9:00 pm Welcome/Introduction - Dean Cyrus Taylor and Rhonda Y. Williams

Opening Keynote - Angela Y. Davis

Facilitator - Rhonda Y. Williams, Founder & Director, SJI

## Saturday, November 14

9:00 – 10:00 am Registration and Continental Breakfast

Ford Auditorium, Allen Memorial Medical Library, 11000 Euclid Avenue

9:30 – 9: 50 am Welcome and Conference Overview

William A. "Bud" Baeslack III, Provost and Executive Vice President Marilyn Sanders Mobley, Vice President for Inclusion, Diversity &

**Equal Opportunity** 

Rhonda Y. Williams, Founder & Director, Social Justice Institute

10:00 – 11:30 am Plenary Session I: Empathy

**Facilitator** - Zoe Renee Lapin, Community Activist Jacqueline Acho, President, The Acho Group

Joy R. Bostic, Assoc. Professor, Department of Religious Studies Timothy Black, Associate Professor, Sociology Department Damian Calvert, Returning Citizen & Re-Entry Advocate

11:30 – 1 pm	Lunch Break - Please note: lunch is not provided.
1:00 – 2:30 pm	Plenary Session II: Social Justice  Facilitator - Maxie Jackson III, Station Manager, 90.3 WCPN ideastream®  Ayesha Bell Hardaway, Visiting Assistant Professor, School of Law  Keeanga-Yamahtta Taylor, Asst. Professor, Center for African American  Studies, Princeton  Carol Apaestegui, Peruvian Citizen and Former Undocumented Child
2:30 – 2:45 pm	Break
2:45 – 4:15 pm	Plenary Session III: Social Transformation  Facilitator - Bakari Kitwana, Journalist, Author & Activist  Nancy Marcus, Founding Constitutional Law Professor, Indiana Tech Law School  Yanela Sims, Northern Ohio Coordinator, SEIU Local 1  Julia Shearson, Executive Director, CAIR-Ohio, Cleveland Chapter  Jasmine Johnson, Special Guest
4:15-4:30	Break
4:30*- 6:30 pm	Closing Performance-Talk - Rebel Diaz  Facilitator - Daniel Gray-Kontar, Poet, Activist, Educator

<sup>\*</sup>Note: This session could start at 4:45 p.m., depending on how fast we can turn the stage around from the plenary sessions to the performance-talk closing session.

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