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Black History Exhibition @ Your Library

Prominent African Americans who impacted the history of Fayetteville

Cumberland County Public Library and Information Center has a Black History exhibition on display for the public on the second floor of Headquarters Library (300 Maiden Lane) January 3-Feb. 28. Our county's prized landmarks, educational institutions and more have been directly impacted by the successful and driven minds of African Americans in our community. Learn and explore the backgrounds of prominent figures who received our city's greatest honors or presidential recognition for their accomplishments.

Also on display are photographed segments of the Wall of Honor,
Fayetteville State University's mural on the retaining wall of Langdon Street and
the Community Flower Garden off Slater Avenue. Complete with a list of
contributing artists, the Wall of Honor is a landmark community accomplishment
honoring African American values, traditions and culture. The Community Flower
Garden has been an ongoing beautification effort for the Broadwell Homes

community. Today, it is landscaped and hosts a variety of flowers ensuring blooms in every season.

This compilation of pictures, artifacts and personal stories of African Americans in Fayetteville was collected and researched by Local & State History Library Associate Arletha Campbell. Various individuals and churches in our community generously supplied pictures, information and items to supplement the exhibition.

For more information on this and other free programs and services available at your library, visit www.cumberland.lib.nc.us or call (910) 483-7727.