

The Bravery & Brilliance of African Americans



Program Objective:

To recognize and expose our students to various contributions by African Americans contributions that helped to build a better society today.

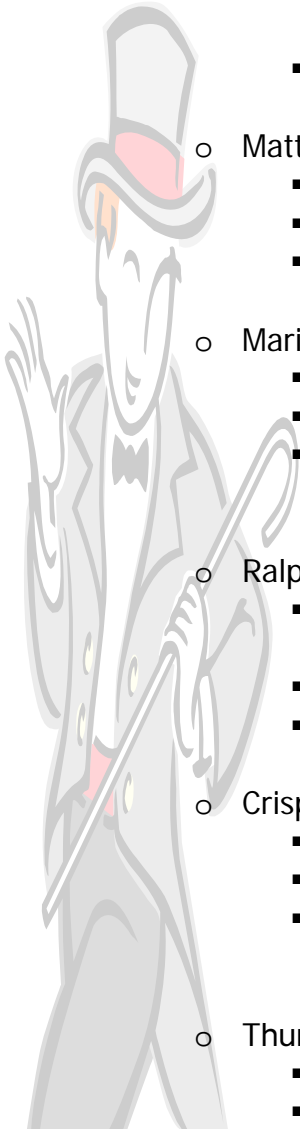
Art Contest:

- K-2, Students should draw a picture of an invention by an African American that is still used today in their home or school.
- 3-5, Students should draw a picture of an invention developed by an African American that is still used today and how they think this invention will look in the future (Twenty years from now).

Invention	Timeline	Inventor
Wagon design	October 1870	J.W. West
Fire Extinguisher design	May 1872	T.F Marshall
Fire Escape Ladder	May 1878	J.B. Winter
Library Table	September 1878	W.R. Davis, Jr.
Eye Protector	November 1880	P. Johnson
Electric Lamp	September 1881	Lewis Howard Latimer & Joseph V. Nichols
Swinging Chairs Design	November 1881	P. Johnson
Egg Beater	February 1884	W. Johnson
Telephone Transmitter	December 1884	Granville T. Woods
Guitar design	March 1886	R. F. Fleming, Jr.
Shoe-Making Machine	1886	Jan Matzeliger
Railway Signal	January 1888	A.B Blackburn
Child's Carriage	June 1889	W. H. Richardson
Fountain Pen	January 1890	W. B. Purvis
Refrigerator design	July 1891	J. Standard
Clothes Dryer	June 1892	G.T. Sampson
Electric Trolley Design	September 1893	E.R. Robinson
Elevator device	April 1895	J. Cooper
Kitchen Table design	October 1896	H.A. Jackson
Game Board design	March 1897	W.H. Phelps
Lawn Sprinkler design	May 1897	J. W. Smith
Pencil Sharpener	November 1897	J.L Love
Brush design	November 1898	L.D. Newman
Lawn Mower	May 1899	J.A. Burr
Automatic Fishing Device	May 1899	G. Cook
Bicycle Frame	October 1899	I.R. Johnson
Automatic Air Brake	June 1902	Granville T. Woods
Gas Mask	1914	Garrett Augustus
Traffic Light	1923	Garrett Augustus
Blood Plasma Storage	Circa 1940	Charles R. Drew
Speedboat design	1942	Joseph Blair
Air-Conditioning Method	December 1954	Frederick M. Jones

Program Outline:

- Welcome:
 - (Give a brief summary of the importance of how the Bravery & Brilliance of African Americans greatly contributed to building society as a whole)
- Song I:
 - "Life Every Voice and Sing"
- "I Am #1"-(The Bravery of African Americans -Group Monologs), *Grades 3-5*
Performance Detail: *All eight characters will gather and stand in a frozen pose on the stage until it's their turn to move to the middle of the stage and begin to speak. The Students will be dressed as the following individuals as they recite their monolog.*
 - Jesses Louis Jackson, Civic Leader & Politician (1941-)
 - I directed Operation Breadbasket of Martin Luther King, Jr.
 - I established PUSH to bring a sense of pride to all African people.
 - I am Jesses Louis Jackson and I am #1, because I was the first African presidential candidate.
 - Matthew A. Henson, Explorer (1866-1955)
 - As a teenager I traveled to dozens of countries.
 - I worked as a surveyor in Nicaragua
 - I am Matthew A. Henson and I am #1, because I was the first person to stand on the North Pole
 - Marian Anderson, Singer (1902-)
 - I was called the "The Century's Contralto"
 - I inspired a protest against segregation
 - I am Marian Anderson and I am #1, because I was the first African American singer to perform at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York City.
 - Ralph Johnson Bunche, Diplomat (1904-1971)
 - I negotiated a peace settlement between the Arabs and the Jews.
 - I served as Undersecretary General of the United Nations.
 - I am Ralph Johnson Bunche and I am #1, because I was the first African American to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.
 - Crispus Attucks, Freedom Fighter (1723-1770)
 - I was born a slave, but live a free life in Boston, Massachusetts.
 - I lost my life in the Boston Massacre.
 - I am Crispus Attucks and I am #1, because I'm known as "the first to defy and the first to die" for the United States during the Boston Massacre.
 - Thurgood Marshall
 - I served as the chief NAACP lawyer on civil rights cases.
 - I was appointed as solicitor general of the United States
 - I am Thurgood Marshall and I am #1, because I was the first African American appointed to the Supreme Court.



- Guion S. Bluford, Jr., Astronaut (1942-)
 - I served as a flight instructor at Sheppard Air Force Base in Texas.
 - I flew 144 missions over Vietnam and was awarded the National Defense Service Medal.
 - I am Guion S. Bluford and I am #1, because in 1983 I became the first African American astronaut in space.
- Daniel Hale Williams, Doctor (1856-1931)
 - I wandered the United States after my father and my mother sent me away because they couldn't afford to care for me.
 - I founded the first training program for African American nurses.
 - I am Daniel Hale Williams and I am #1, because in 1893 I was the first doctor in the world to perform a successful open heart surgery.
- Group:
 - **" We are #1, We are #1, We are #1 Because We Were Brave Enough Keep Trying"**

➤ Dance (Group)

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➤ The Blast from the Past- African Brilliance , K-2

Performance Detail: *The Students groups will wear costumes displaying their various inventions and as they in their group and state the Inventor's name and what they invented.*

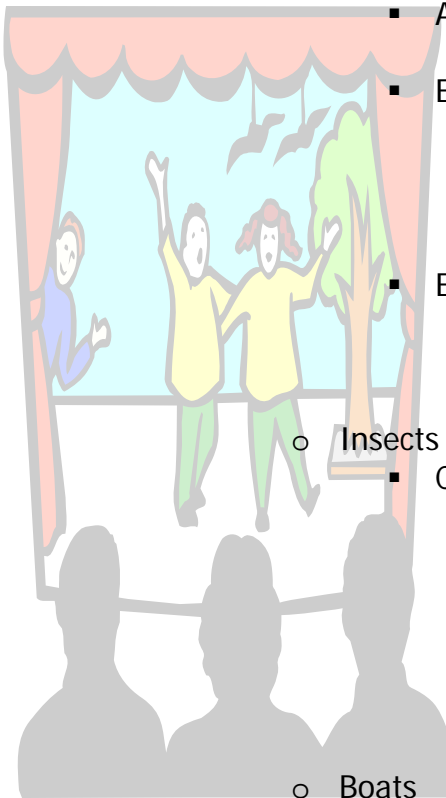
- Trains

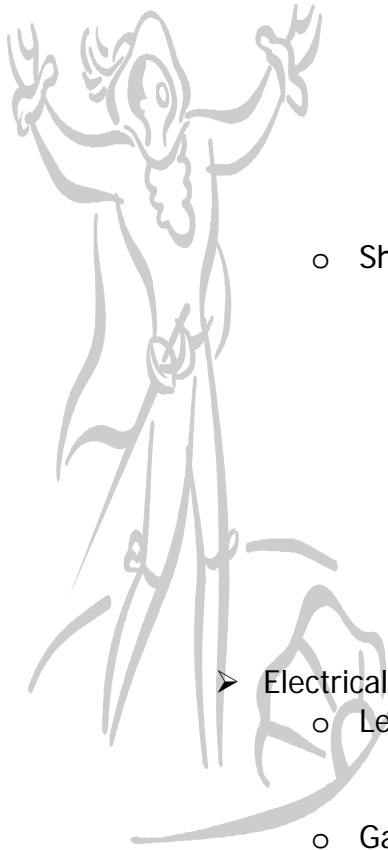
- Andre Jackson Beard (1850-1910)
 - Invented Railroad Car coupling
- Elijah McCoy
 - Invented a device that allowed machines to be lubricated while they were still in operation.
 - McCoy's lubrication cup was coined the phrase "The Real McCoy"
- E.R Robinson
 - Invented the Electric Trolley design
 - **(2 Trains, Trolley, Conductor)**

- Insects

- Charles Henry Turner, (1867-1923)
 - He was an authority on the behavior patterns of ants and spiders.
 - He was the first person to prove that insects could hear and distinguish pitches and that roaches learned by trial and error.
 - **(Roaches, Ants, Spiders, Moths, Bees)**

- Boats





- James Forten (1766-1842)
 - Invented the Sail Ship
- Joseph Blair
 - Invented the Speedboat design
 - **(Sail boat & Speedboat)**
- Shoes
 - Jams Earns Matzeliger (1852-1889)
 - Designed & patented a “shoe-lasting’ machine, which automatically stitched the shoe leather to the sole of the shoe.
 - C. J. Dorticus
 - Invented Shoe-dying
 - W. Burwell
 - Invented the Boot
 - **(Shoe, Boot, Color High Heel)**
- Electrical Devices
 - Lewis Howard Latimer (1848-1928)
 - He was a pioneer in the development of the electric light bulb.
 - Garrett Augustus
 - Invented the Traffic Light
 - T.F Marshall
 - Invented the Fire Extinguisher design
 - **(Light Bulb, Traffic Light, Fire Extinguisher)**

Dance