BLACK HISTORY MONTH FILM SERIES

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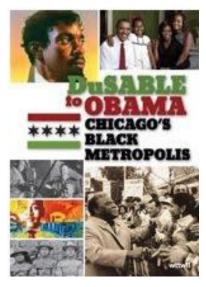


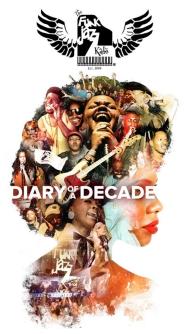
FEB 14, 6 PM SANKOFA

The story follows Mona, a contemporary model, as she is visited by spirits lingering in the Cape Coast Castle in Ghana and travels to the past, where, as a house servant named Shola she is constantly abused by her slave masters. Nunu, an African-born field hand, and Shango, Shola's West Indian love interest, all continuously rebel against the slave system. For Nunu this means direct conflict with her son (whose father is a white man) benefiting from the system as a head slave. Inspired by Nunu and Shango's determination to defy the system, Shola finally chooses to fight back against her masters.

FEB 21, 6 PM FROM DUSABLE TO OBAMA: CHICAGO'S BLACK METROPOLIS

From DuSable to Obama tells the history of Chicago's African-American community as never before – through the voices of its leading citizens, scholars, artists, politicians, and business leaders. Explore historical moments of triumph and challenge, and celebrate the heroic and unsung everyday men and women who have helped to mold Chicago's rich history.





FEB 28, 6 PM THE FUNK-JAZZ KAFÉ: DIARY OF A DECADE

This film is the story of a cultural legend as told by the innovators of an important, and in some cases overlooked, era in Black culture. Spanning the late 1980's through to the early 2000's, this story goes deep into the fabric of soul music, it's definitions, it's pioneers, it's offspring, it's movements, the challenges with the "mainstream" industry and the evolution of the Funklazz Kafé, a music and arts movement born of Atlanta's diverse musical heritage. The film covers the decade when Atlanta's underground music scene became established on the world stage and a new generation of soul singers and musicians emerged.

Admission for all films is \$3.00