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Women of a New Tribe exhibit to celebrate black women

MIAMI – As part of Miami-Dade County's celebrations of Black History Month and Women's History Month, Miami will once again host the traveling "Women of a New Tribe" exhibition celebrating the unique beauty of black women.

"Women of a New Tribe: Miami" will be unveiled on Friday, Feb. 12 at 11:30 a.m. in the Stephen P. Clark Center lobby, 111 NW 1st St., and the exhibit will run through March 31.

The evolving traveling exhibit – which first came to Miami in 2012 – features striking photographic images of black women from the cities which are hosting it. The portraits are in the dramatic, high-glamour style reminiscent of Hollywood photography from the 1930s and 1940s.

The 2016 Miami exhibition, which is co-sponsored by Miami-Dade County's Black Affairs Advisory Board and the Commission for Women, will feature more than 50 Miami women representing various segments of the community including the legal profession, culture, business, elected officials and faith. The local women whose portraits will appear in the exhibit will be present at the Feb. 12 unveiling.

Created by North Carolina-based photographer Jerry Taliaferro, Women of a New Tribe is designed to honor the physical and spiritual beauty of the black American woman, emphasizing her soulfulness, compassion and nobility. It premiered in Charlotte, N.C., in June 2002 and has traveled to many cities including Detroit, Dallas, Cleveland, New Orleans, Toledo, Nashville, Kansas City, and Newport News, Va. The U.S. embassies in Bratislava, Slovakia and Bucharest. Romania also have hosted the exhibitions.

For more information, contact Black Affairs Advisory Board Director Retha Boone-Fye at (305) 375-4606 or rboone@miamidade.gov.

Who:

Miami-Dade County's Black Affairs Advisory Board and the Commission for Women **What:**

Unveiling of the "Women of a New Tribe: Miami" exhibition which runs through March 31 **When:** February 12, 2016, 11:30 a.m.

Where: Stephen P. Clark Center lobby, 111 NW 1st St.

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