### Commemorative Program

#### HMMMM....

The first Black newspaper was founded on March 16, 2007 and was called *Freedom's Journal*.

It was founded by John Russwurm and Sam Cornish.

Freedom's Journal was published at time when Blacks were still enslaved and were not allowed to read.

Give yourself a moment to think about what that meant.

The founders somehow learned to read and write, found a way to print a publication, get it distributed without getting caught and killed.

Today, the Black Press is comprised over nearly 500 Black newspapers and magazines like the District Chronicles and Metro Herald newspapers as well Ebony and Black Enterprise magazines. The complete listings of over 400 Black publications -including addresses, phone number, email addresses — are available in the Black Press Yearbook: Who's Who in Black Media directory published exclusively by HBPF.

Using technology and traditional methods, the Black Press has taken its fight to the Internet and reaches some 52 million readers on a weekly basis.



Historical Black Press Foundation's commissioned painting of the late Gordon Parks unveiled at Black Wax Museum in September 2006.

# Black Press Week

A celebration of the Historical Black Press Foundation

POSH RESTAURANT 730 11TH STREET. NW WASHINGTON, DC FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 2007 NOON TO 2 P.M.

### Black Press celebrates 180th Anniversary

Historical Black Press Foundation remembers Gordon Parks



## David Parks to keynote BPW luncheon

Son produced movie "Superfly" and worked on "Shaft"



David Parks, 63, hasn't read many of the media accounts lauding his legendary father, Gordon, since his death on March 7.

2006 at the age 93.

He already knows what they say.

"The thing is, all the stuff being written about him has been written about him for the last 30 or 40 years," David says. "It's the same thing. That's one of the things that really got him a little depressed in the end. They kept asking the same questions — nothing new. But that's what happens when you're a star."

Much like his father, David is a noted photographer, filmmaker, artist and historian who has a natural ability to inspire people.

"I was there for all of it. I went

everywhere my dad went and I learned a trick or two along the way," David says. "We made about 10 films in just a few years in the 70s. We really changed the way Hollywood saw us."

David's speech is entitled, "I Was There: Communicating in the New Millennium."

"I'm so honored to be a part of bringing David Parks to Washington, DC. He's an amazing speaker and man."

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wings."

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Black-owned Magazine and

Newspaper Showcase

5-7 p.m. at H20

After Party 9 p.m. until 2

## Agenda

Luncheon begins

Performance: Introducing LX, a local musician with piazza.

Prayer

Overview

Lunch is served

#### Video Presentation

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Keynote: David Parks Superfly: Communicating in the New Millennium

Question and Answer Session

#### MORE EVENTS

**Door Prizes** 

All Media Happy Hour

a.m. at Avenue Nightclub

# **Upcoming Events**

#### Pod-A-Palooza

Everything you want to know about podcasting

Washington, DC

Date: May 19, 2007

Steve Harvey Award **Presentation** 

April 27, 2007

Washington, DC

#### Who's Who in Black Media Reception

June 1, 2007 NYC

**3rd Annual Black Press** All Star Awards

September 14-15, 2007

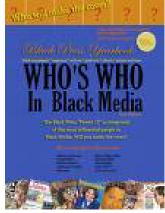
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### **Black Academic Olympics.com**

September 15, 2007

**Black Media Holiday Happy Hour** 

November 15, 2007



Great networking opportunities are available only at BlackPress.org.

### **About HBPF**

Founded in 2000, the Historical Black Press Foundation fosters dialogue between the mainstream media and over 400 Black publications and thousands of minority media execs and professionals.

In addition to providing professional development, HBPF gives exposure minority media executives, professionals and companies committed to diversity.

We also work with high school and college journalism departments to train more minorities for media jobs.

### BlackPress.org

We operate the Black Press Diversity Career Center an online job section for minority media professionals.

The Black Press Yearbook: Who's Who in Black Media directory is the first national directory with complete listings of the Black and minority media and was featured in news outlets nationwide including *Editor & Publisher* magazine.

Black Press owns BlackPodcasts.com, Minority-Voter.com and other websites. We will also produce the Who's Who in Black Washington, DC and Who's Who in Black Philadelphia directories this summer.

"From the
picket lines to
online, the
Black Press has
stood the test
of time."

- DC Livers, managing editor Historical Black Press Foundation



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