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Students React to 'David's' Arrest, Change Their Living Habits

BY MORGAN NEVILLE-MOORE

Students were allowed to experience a Shakespeare remake last night in Ira Aldridge Theatre in the first floor premiere "Romeo: The Musical," written by Christine Clark, senior history major and "Juliet Is Dead," written by Shamirrah Hardin, junior English major.

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Fraternity Honors 12 Women at Appreciation Banquet

BY FARRYN HINTON

The Delta Sigma Theta Sorority of Howard University hosted last night in the Blackburn Gallery Lounge a Women's Appreciation Banquet. The event was sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, Phi Kappa Psi and Kappa Alpha Psi organizations.

"All of us who are outstanding pillars of our community and are dedicated to the cause of this university, truth, leadership, excellence and service," said Brandon Wallace, the coordinating officer of the event and a member of Phi Kappa Psi.

The event, which was hosted by the Alpha Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc. and co-sponsored by the Office of Residence Life, honored various women who work on or off Howard's campus.

"It was about someone recognize what you have been doing for so many years," Wallace said.

Each honoree was pinned with a white chrysanthemum, which is the representative flower of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc.

"We are giving you a piece of what we hold dear to our hearts," Wallace said.

Howard Virtual Tour 11 with Students

BY ZEKE WALKER

Howard University recently launched its first online Campus Virtual Tour and though it is just a month old, the tour is already a hit with students.

"It is the air for passers-by," said Mohd Mekkawi, Director of Libraries and the Pilot tech capabilities, said Jeri Ogden, a freshman professor in the English department.

The introduction of the Virtual Tour is an effort to bring a "realistic" experience of the campus through images and sub-links to valuable information on the logos of Howard. The introduction is available on the website. The tour is already garnering positive feedback. Howard students found it easy to navigate through the tour and can click on the "virtual buttons" for more information on the campus.

"I really enjoyed the virtual tour. I am proud that Howard is deploying our highest tech capabilities," said Working Legal Communications major, Lewis. "I am a Howard student and work at Howard and the Howard experience.

"Howard Life" explores aspects of daily life, homecoming events, sports, as well as off-campus activities in the arts. There is a special section entitled "A Day in the Life" of which six typical students from the university give examples of six everyday activities.

Upon clicking the "Howard Experience" link, a slideshow presentation intended to give a quick tour of the campus starts. After audio sample of the campus, the link then takes you through five icons that users can click to receive insight on learning, living, connecting and succeeding on the HU campus.

The introduction of the Virtual Tour is also available on the web for visitors. The tour's target audience according to officials are hoping that allowing the university to become a "virtual campus" for people interested in Howard.

"The tour will certainly benefit alumni who want to see the campus but can't make it in person. The tour will serve as the real best estimate for people physically coming here," said Mohd Mekkawi.

Mekkawi strongly believes that the Virtual Tour will also draw more prospective students and alumni who may be interested in the university but are not able to come.

The tour will be continued and expanded, as the university gives examples of an average student's day.

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"Ifs breathtaking to see so many beautiful buildings, so many people, so much history," said Beta Chi, the Alpha Fraternity, Inc.,Beta Chapter's Alpha Beta Fraternity, Inc. Alpha Chapter, Aisha Ayeshah or Christina.

A Day in the Life of... an Off-Campus Student

BY MORGAN NEVLES-MOORE

A couple of students still are the yard going from class to class, meeting everything from professors to other fine arts. Sounds of the whirring of engines and the hum of the air for the passers-by.

"In the middle of all of it sits a sophomore public relations major, Andrew Lewis.

"I love being on the yard, the atmosphere is energizing yet calming at the same time," Lewis said.

Lewis sits on the base of the flagpole and sits every day and everyday he learns something new in Howard. Lewis, the son of two students, always wonders about the place he calls home.

"I am from the state of Idaho, but most of my family is from Howard University," Lewis said.

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IN LIGHT OF RECENT EVENTS....

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African Americans find themselves with a circle of friends that is beneath the national level as a whole. The average middle class African American has professional friends they are able to take satisfying vacations with, have a car they can't feel bad about, have the style, income and respect, and want to be part of the "top 20%". Even though O'Keefe's book talks about the average African American, he is also talking about the African American with "a sense of money and respect," who wants to be part of the "top 20%".

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Ballston Shopping District

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Hip Hop Romeo and Juliet

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also, problem the attention of the audience.

"Addicted (Thomas) was very funny. He added a lot of characters like Apple Bottoms and the like, while All-Stars and Foot Locker.

The art market offers delicacies ranging from fine art to pottery. Sue Gruskiewicz, a member of the Board for the Ballston-Virginia Square Partnership, said the market always plays host to a “variety of vendors” and draws in members from the community of “all ages.”

The biggest shopping building in the area is Ballston Common Mall. Among the popular stores are the national brands like Victoria’s Secret, F.Y.E., and Foot Locker.

There are also plenty of privately owned boutiques in the mall as well. Industry expert is an urban clothier for men that sells popular labels like Ricky 42, as well as the brand that is the line of fashion designer such as Saint Laurent, Bob Marley, and Yippee.

Brooks Collection is another exclusive business that fills within the area’s retail stores for women. Among their inventory, Brooks Collection offers brands like Apple Bottoms and Rightnow.

Ballston Common Mall offers several entertainment options, including Regal Cinema Theater featuring its newest arrivals. The mall features an arcade called Tilt.

Kumah added, “You might see college students on the weekends.”

The mall and its surrounding areas are being built up, with the addition of a new show, and this process continues. "Collaboration, nurturing and support were most important," said Kumah. Kunah said most of his customers consist of high school students and families.

The cast was phenomenal, and although they had a few problems, the show came together well in the end," said Cobb.

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Vibe Awards Go Smoothly

At times it seems very hip-hop for black award shows to end up with someone stabbed, shot, upset or angry on the stage during the few seconds they are supposed to be accepting an award. Everyone from The Showtime's New Show CSI to Def Jam has had its share of violence or bizarre in an award show. Our incident reflects a bad image on entertainers as a whole, which will not stand for long. The Vibe Awards last night proved the past Vibe, Source and BET Awards wrong by going smoothly and problem-free. We were happy to see that. At the Hilltop we think there is a time and a place for handling issues. We want to apply the same "take it outside" standards to the stage. Awards are for having a good time, entertaining people and being gracious in time for supporting their endeavors. It is just as valid in the name of getting back as a cheap shot is in naming bad and In-faithful lie. Thanks to everyone for holding it down last night.

Our View:

It's about time! Our talented black entertainers are as much more than they get credited for. Despite their intellect, hard work and achievements the masses will still misunderstand many of them, like the media show or ignorant fans. We need to find the long-sought stereotypes where we get up on the stage and act a fool. Aside from making the people and the awards show worse, it can only feed the hungry. The year Young Buck pulled when he allegedly stabbed someone at last year's show. Having memorable and meaningful award shows should be the standard. We hope the recent Vibe Awards set a good example but shows to come...
The Evolution of Celebrity Fashion Brands

BY ERICA WILLIAMS

From Funky to Slim Jean: A Look at the Rise of Celebrity Fashion Lines

The rise of celebrity fashion lines has made it possible for people with less than a famous name to be recognized for their fashion sense. Some celebrities have successfully managed to create a business empire with their names, while others have struggled to make a name for themselves. This article will explore the history of celebrity fashion lines and their impact on the fashion industry.

Known for its love of celebrity fashion, the Oprah Winfrey Show has been a platform for many celebrity fashion lines. In the 1990s, the show launched O by Oprah, a line of clothing that was designed by celebrities. The line featured designer items at affordable prices, making it accessible to a wider audience.

In the 2000s, celebrity fashion lines became even more popular. Celebrities such as Beyoncé and Destiny’s Child launched their own clothing lines, which were marketed as affordable and stylish. These lines were successful because they tapped into the trend of celebrity fashion, which was becoming more mainstream.

Today, celebrity fashion lines are more than just a fashion trend. They are a business venture for many celebrities, who see the potential in creating a line of clothing that is unique and profitable. However, not all celebrity fashion lines have been successful. Some celebrities have struggled to create a line that is both affordable and stylish.

In conclusion, the rise of celebrity fashion lines has had a significant impact on the fashion industry. These lines have helped to popularize new trends and make fashion more accessible to a wider audience. While not all celebrity fashion lines have been successful, they have certainly had a significant impact on the way we think about fashion today.
Countdown to Women’s Tip-Off: Lady Bison Hoops Prepare to Take the Court

After Heartbreaking Ending to Last Season, Lady Bison Aim for Perfection

BY CASSANDRA CUTO

The Howard University Lady Bison basketball team will take on Gardner-Webb on Saturday, Nov. 16, in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC). The Lady Bison, led by Head Coach Cathy Parson, are ready to start the season.

"It’s going to be an exciting transition, and the team is getting better," said Head Coach Cathy Parson. "We need student support, especially after last season, we have one year remaining of eligibility and CD out. It’s going to be a fun season."

The first home game is Nov. 27, against Bethune-Cookman College. "Hopefully this will be a letdown," said Simmons-Carroll, the assistant coach. "We want the girls at their best to play their best."

"Expect with the strong backbone we have this year everything should fall into place," Carlisle said. "We are not just a women’s basketball team, we are a family."

"We want the fans to be filled up before the boys’ game," Benson said. "I am so grateful for the mistakes of playing tennis in college."

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