

The commemoration of Black History Month, as a Black-led charity, is front and center of the mandate of Truly Alive Youth and Family Foundation Inc (TAYFFI) – showcasing Black excellence and creating awareness of the historic and ongoing contributions of Black Canadians in the Greater Saskatoon Metropolis, and Canada from coast to coast to coast.

Drawing inspiration from the Government of Canada’s theme “**Ours To Tell**” TAYFFI’s 2023 Black History Month theme of “**Our History, Ours To Tell**” centers on three pillars of **Resistance, Resilience, and Resolution** which highlights the importance of telling Black History, ourselves, from its richness vis-à-vis the tenacity of our forebearers in resisting oppression, the resilience of Black trailblazers overcoming odds and breaking barriers, and the resolve of people of Black African Descent to protect their identity, preserve their heritage, and tell their story -themselves- from generations to generations.

Our planned February month-long activities and events are as follows:

- **Week 1 (Saturday, February 4th, 2023) - Virtual Opening Ceremony and Panel Discussion: *Telling Our Story in its Richness*. Register on Eventbrite at the link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/524102242917>**
- **Week 2 (Monday, February 6 – Friday, February 10, 2023) – Black Youth Mentoring: *A Day in the life of a Mentor series*. Connecting Saskatoon Black Youth with Saskatoon Black Industry Experts in real-time. Stories from the week’s experience will be shared on our official social media platforms i.e. Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.**
- **Week 3 (Saturday, February 18, 2023) – Black Women Entrepreneurs Virtual Panel Discussion: *Black Women In Business – Our Struggles, Our Successes!* Registration via our official Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/trulyalivelyouthandfamilyfoundation>**
- **Week 4 (Tuesday, February 28, 2023) – Pan-Canadian BHM Gala: *Our History, Ours To Tell!***

The Gala is an in-person closing ceremony of TAYFFI's 2023 Black History Month celebrations and is open to Saskatoon Black communities and allies from Canada’s coast-to-coast-to-coast. Dignitaries across levels of Government, Crown representatives, BIPOC Community Leaders, and Industry Experts are expected to grace the occasion.

The Gala event will feature among others: keynotes, goodwill messages, complimentary ethnic food/refreshments, guest performances, and Afro Live Band!

Venue: Remai Modern, 102 Spadina Crescent E, Saskatoon, SK | **Time:** 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm (FREE Dinner Event) Admission Strictly by Ticket

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