

## The Patrons

The PATRONS of the National Center is a support and advocacy group for the National Center for the Study of Civil Rights and African-American Culture at Alabama State University. The organization offers opportunities for interested community groups, businesses, and individuals to connect with, celebrate and contribute to the National Center and its mission through fundraising and volunteer activities. The National Center formally recognizes and thanks its dedicated Patrons during its Annual Patrons and Donors Reception.

## Patrons Awards

### *President's Award*

This award is given in recognition of the dedicated service provided by the sitting Patron's president.

### **Zenobia Blackmon**

### *Five Year Service Award*

This award is given to the Patrons for their first five years of financial contributions to the organization.

### **Dr. Alma Freeman**

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### *Member of the Year Award*

This award is given to the Patron who has raised the most funds during the course of the year.

### **Hattie Minter**

### *Citizen of the Year Award*

This award is given to the Patron who has a demonstrated record of public service to the organization as well as to the community.

### **Jimmie Felder**

### *Recognition of Supporters*

This award is given to all of the 2011 National Center Patrons.

# — Program —

## Master Of Ceremony, Rolundus Rice

Staff Associate, the National Center for the Study of Civil Rights and African-American Culture

## Invocation

### **Elvin Lang**

Volunteer Assistant Archivist  
Alabama State University Library

## Greetings

### **Dr. Howard Robinson**

Archivist, Alabama State University/Member, the Steering Committee for the National Center for the Study of Civil Rights and African-American Culture

## President's Award

### **Presented by Dr. Janice Franklin**

Dean, University Library and Learning Resources/Project Director, the National Center for the Study of Civil Rights and African-American Culture

## Member Of The Year Award

### **Presented by Zenobia Blackmon**

President, Patrons of the National Center

## Five-Year Service Award

### **Presented by Zenobia Blackmon**

President, Patrons of the National Center

## Citizen Of The Year Award

### **Presented by Zenobia Blackmon**

## Recognition of Supporters

### **Presented by Dr. Dorothy Autrey**

Chair, Department of History and Political Science/  
Program Chair, the National Center for the Study of Civil Rights and African-American Culture

## Recognition of Archival Donors

### **Presented by Dr. Howard O. Robinson**

## Recognition of Archival Donors

Each individual listed below is being recognized for making a material donation to the Alabama State University Archives during the past year. Through its academic and cultural programs, exhibitions, tours and other activities, the National Center is pleased to utilize such donations to preserve the history and integrity of the civil rights movement and other critical aspects of the American experience. In keeping with the National Center's mission, these valuable donations make it possible to provide treasured learning experiences for teachers, students, researchers and others whose journey in discovery of African-American history and culture leads them here.

As the National Center takes this opportunity to formally thank these donors, we also solicit donations from you in order to maintain the Center's status as a living museum and civil rights clearinghouse for teaching and empowering future generations.

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*Sam Cooke Collection*

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*Elvin D. Lang Collection*

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*Clyde C. Robertson Collection*

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*Herbert Young Collection*

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*Jay F. Thompson Collection*

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*Margaret S. Stephens Collection*

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*"A Bloody Sunday in the Shadow of Pettus Bridge"*

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### **Charlotte Riley-Webb**

*"A Climb Toward Freedom"*

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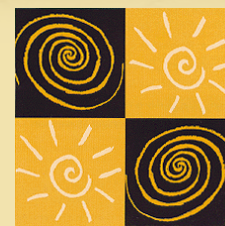
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