

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

BROWN BAG LUNCH AND A MOVIE

WALNUT ROOM

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, NOON TO 1 P.M.

At its height in the 1930s, hundreds of people filled the bustling streets of The King-Lincoln District. The nation's top musicians played its many theatres and clubs. African Americans of all walks of life lived and shopped here. Its two fabled streets, Mt. Vernon Avenue and Long Street, anchored the neighborhood that became the commercial and cultural heart of Columbus's African American community.

Columbus Neighborhoods: King-Lincoln shows how this thriving neighborhood developed on land once used by Buffalo Bill when he brought his wild west show to Columbus. Because Columbus was practically--if not officially--segregated, a self-contained and self-reliant African American community developed and flourished on the city's Near East side. The documentary explores the area's rich and vibrant music heritage and includes features on Elijah Pierce, Aminah Robinson, Roman Johnson, and other artists. The program also explores the neighborhood's demise as the interstate separated it from the rest of the city and shows how the renovation of The Lincoln Theatre may be a sign of the community's rebirth.



The history of Columbus' King-Lincoln District, which, in its heyday, was the commercial and cultural heart of the city's African American community.