



The Association of Black Psychologists, Inc.

2017 Annual Convention

Plenary Sessions

Thursday, July 20

5:00pm - 6:50pm

“Rooted in Tradition: Afrikan Women, Spirituality, Community, & Power in the 21st Century”

This session will examine the importance of the restoration of balance through the elevation of the divine feminine principle. It will further explore the role of Afrikan women as spiritual leaders, activists and healers in our families and communities, and offer standards, policies and practices regarding the treatment of women in the Afrikan/Black community. Panelists will identify the roles that women must play in bringing healing, restoring community and fostering self-determination in Afrikan/Black communities throughout the world.

Moderator: Dr. Huberta Jackson-Lowman, Professor of Psychology, Florida A&M University

Keynote: Professor Bayyinah Bello, State University of Haiti

Panelists:

- **Dr. MaMa Akosua Ali-Sabri:** Talk show host, “Health is a Family Affair”
- **Dr. Marimba Ani:** Pan-Afrikan Activist, Organizer, and Scholar
- **Dr. Mawiyah Kambon,** Psychologist, Onipa Psychological & Consulting Services

Friday, July 21

1:00pm - 2:50pm

“The Future of Black Manhood: Fatherhood, Brotherhood, Warriorship, & Power in the 21st Century”

- This plenary seeks to examine the impact of the adoption of Eurocentric models of manhood on Black men, Black male-female relationships and on families. Speakers will discuss how Black manhood has been distorted through the perpetuation of myths and stereotypes, along with the impact of local, state and federal policies and laws on Black male development, Black male-female relationships and Black men’s engagement in family and community. This session will also identify African-centered models for facilitating the development of Black men, and offer standards, policies and practices regarding the treatment of women, men and children in the Afrikan/Black community.

Moderator: Dr. Kevin Washington, Psychology Professor, Howard University

Keynote: Dr. Roderick King, Director & Assistant Dean, University of Miami, Public Health Institute

Panelists:

- **Dr. Tony Jackson:** Clinical Psychologist
- **Jesse Muhammaad:** Journalist and Blogger

Saturday, July 22

1:00pm - 2:50pm

“Our Children, Our Future: Socializing Black Youth for 21st Century Leadership”

In this session, speakers will address the importance of Afrikan American youth in the space industry and in STEM. Special topics will include the impact of the loss of control of the socialization of Black children on the future of the Afrikan/Black community, particularly in regard to their education, the impact of media and the impact of policies and practices of the child welfare and juvenile justice systems. This plenary will also address what institutions must be created and what strategies must be implemented to regain control of the education and socialization of the Black child. Speakers will offer standards, policies and practices regarding the socialization of the Black child, their education and involvement in STEM activities.

Moderator: Dr. Jermaine Robertson: Associate Professor of Psychology, Florida A&M University

Panelists:

- **Deloyd Parker, Jr.** , Co-Founder, Self-Help for African People through Education (S.H.A.P.E.) Center
- **Baba Wekesa Madzimoyo** : Co-Director AYA Educational Institute
- **Dr. Valerie Adeniji Lawrence:** Cultural Educator, Poet & Artist