## 6th Annual Louise Bennett-Coverly Reading Festival

The L. B-C Reading Festival is proud to present the eminent Jamaican folklorist, story-teller and cultural icon, Amina Blackwood-Meeks at the 6th Annual celebration of the Hon. Louise Bennett-Coverley's life and contribution to our society.

This is an opportunity to see hear and inter-act with, one who has been touted as one of Miss Lou's "heir-apparents", and should not be missed.- (BRING ALL DE PICKNEY DEM!) The event will be held on Saturday, Feb. 2nd, 2013 (2:00-5:00p.m.) at the South Regional Broward College Library, 7300 Pines Blvd, Pembroke Pines, FL.

This year's topic is -&Idquo; Jamaica Talk" -(Speaking Jamaican-Talking Farrin). The keynote speaker, prominent Jamaican storyteller, Amina Blackwood- Meeks is an alumna of the University of the West Indies, who has done post-graduate research in Cultural Studies &Idquo; reaping stories from her every experience. &Idquo;

Widely acknowledged as the leading female storyteller in the Caribbean, Ms. Blackwood- Meeks has been instrumental in the renaissance of the art-form of traditional Caribbean storytelling in the region. She strives to entertain her audience while relating direct messages about politics and culture of the Caribbean and worldwide.

She is also a St. Andrew 's High School Alumna, and her educational background includes government, theatre and education, from which she draws much of the material in her varied performances. She has been referred to as "One of the most dynamic and charismatic proponents of story-telling; a special and rare talent"; and is the founder of "Ntukuma" - The Storytelling Foundation of Jamaica, founder/artistic director of Likkle Story Fest- a storytelling festival for children; is a workshop facilitator and motivational speaker.

The event moderator will be Dr. Susan Davis (Dr. Sue) and will include entertainment by the Jamaican Folk Revue Singers and the Tallawah Mento Band.

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