

The Telfair Museum announces two book lectures in conjunction with Savannah Yamacraw Branch of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH)

COMING FULL CIRCLE: FROM JIM CROW TO JOURNALISM, A BOOK LECTURE BY WANDA LLOYD

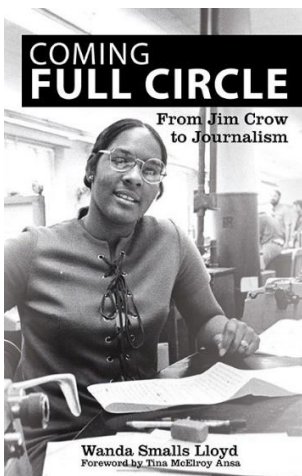
Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup> 6pm at the Jepson Center

Register for the free event HERE [Telfair Museums \(blackbaudhosting.com\)](https://www.telfair.org/event/coming-full-circle-from-jim-crow-to-journalism-a-book-lecture-by-wanda-lloyd/)

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Copies of the book may be purchased at the Telfair Museum Jepson Center gift shop.

\*Meet the author and book signing following the lecture.



Wanda Lloyd chronicles her life journey, from growing up in segregated Savannah, to editing roles at seven daily newspapers, and finally back to Savannah to make a difference in her childhood community. Her path was shaped by the segregated social, community and educational systems, and also by a strong religious and cultural foundation. Along the way, she became an advocate and an example for how diversity helped newsrooms become reflections of accuracy for their audiences. In conversation with Lloyd will be Rexanna Keller. Keller Lester is a former executive editor and columnist for The Savannah Morning News. She worked as an editor at The Florida Times-Union in Jacksonville and managing editor for Morris News Service in Atlanta. She has also been a professor for international students at the SCAD Language Studio. Rexanna authors a blog for the Beehive Foundation and she is working on a biography of Mills B. Lane, IV. A native of Oklahoma, she has lived in Germany and Hong Kong and she has called Savannah home for 30 years.

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## FROM THE N WORD TO MR. MAYOR: EXPERIENCING THE AMERICAN DREAM A BOOK LECTURE BY THE HONORABLE OTIS S. JOHNSON.

Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 6pm Jepson Center

Otis Samuel Johnson has spent a lifetime of public service in Savannah, Georgia. He started his professional career in 1965 as a Resource Guide with the anti-poverty agency, The Economic Opportunity Authority for Savannah Chatham County, Inc. (EOA). He continued his community work as a Social Planner with the Savannah Model Cities Program in 1969. Johnson was hired by Savannah State University (SSU) in 1971 to organize the undergraduate program in social work. He was elected to the Savannah City Council in 1983 and re-elected in 1986. He left SSU and resigned from the City Council in 1988 to become the Executive Director of the Chatham Savannah Youth Futures Authority (YFA). Johnson returned to SSU in 1998 as Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences. He retired in 2002 to prepare to run for the position of Mayor of the City of Savannah. He was elected in 2003 and re-elected in 2007. He returned to SSU in 2012 as Professor Emeritus and was Scholar in Residence until 2018.

Johnson has served on numerous boards and advisory committees at the local, state,



and national levels.

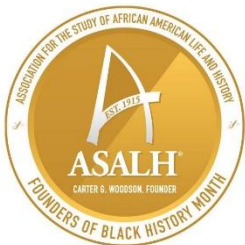
Johnson earned academic degrees from Armstrong State University (now merged with Georgia Southern University (A.A. 1964); University of Georgia (A.B. 1967); Clark Atlanta University (M.S.W. 1969) and Brandeis University, Heller School (Ph.D. 1980).

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Dr. Otis Johnson and Mrs. Wanda S. Lloyd