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To control a people, you must first control what they think about themselves and how they regard their history and culture. And when your conqueror makes you ashamed of your culture and your history, he needs no prison walls and no chains to hold you. — John Henrik Clarke—

# Honoring the Legacy of **Dr. John Henrik Clarke**

November 17, 2016





Dr. John Henrik Clarke, historian and Pan-Africanist, was a pioneer in the creation of Africana Studies in the United States. The son of sharecroppers, Dr. Clarke was a brilliant scholar who dedicated his life to correcting the view that the peoples of Africa and African descent had no history worthy of study. Over his distinguished academic career, he became one of the most sought-after experts on Africa, the African diaspora, and African American history.

At the request of Hunter students, Dr. Clarke developed the College's first Africana Studies curriculum. Beyond Hunter, throughout academia, he is known and remembered for his singular contributions to higher education.

### Dr. John Henrik Clarke Study Lounge Campaign

The Dr. John H. Clarke Commemorative Committee has launched a campaign to honor Dr. Clarke's legacy by creating a study lounge in his name. Prominently located in Hunter's new Cooperman Library, the lounge will be a destination for students and faculty seeking a comfortable area for individual and group work, quiet socializing, and restful breaks between classes.

Hunter students, who commute to school and spend long days on campus, need this kind of space. Its projected cost is \$100,000 – which we have set as our fundraising goal – and we welcome your taxdeductible contribution in any amount. To donate or receive more information, please contact Hunter's Office of Institutional Advancement by phone at 212.650.3860, or by email at alicia.siebenaler@hunter.cuny.edu. President Jennifer J. Raab

The Wistarians Chapter of the Alumni Association of Hunter College The Africana and Puerto Rican/Latino Studies Department,

and

The John Henrik Clarke Commemorative Committee

cordially invite you to a special evening

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Professor and Founding Chair of the Department of Africana and Puerto Rican/Latino Studies at Hunter College and

Celebrating the Kick-Off of the

Dr. John Henrik Clarke Study Lounge Campaign

**Thursday, November 17, 2016** 5:00 to 5:30 p.m. – Welcome Reception 5:30 p.m. – Program Closing Reception

The Roosevelt House Public Policy Institute at Hunter College 47-49 East 65th Street, NYC

# RSVP

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