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## Julie Dexter headlines Women of Color Arts & Film Festival Music Showcase

Sultry songstress Julie Dexter will headline the Women of Color Arts & Film (WOCAF) Festival Music Showcase Saturday, March 22, 2008 at 10:00 p.m. (doors open at 9 p.m.) at DeShrine Afro Caribbean Lounge & Bar, located at 1150 Euclid Avenue in Little Five Points.

As the WOCAF Festival continues to grow, with over 2,000 people attending throughout the three-day event, Mojisola Sonoiki, WOCAF Festival founder and director, envisions expanding the arts division to not only include music, but also drama, dance and visual arts. "We plan to include all kinds of artistic culture, from an international perspective," says Sonoiki. "But we first want to perfect the musical addition and with dynamic artists like Julie Dexter on our roster, I'm sure we will create a following that will last a lifetime."

WOCAF presents "Nollywood Nights," a celebration of Nigerian cinema. This segment of the film festival will be dedicated to the growing Nigerian film industry tagged "Nollywood" to include several popular Nigerian films: *The Narrow Path*, by celebrated Nigerian director Tunde Kelani; *Catch Them Young* by Awoba Bob Manuel; *Ìràpadà (Redemption)* by Kunle Afolayan; and *Osanle* by Abimbola Ogunsanya.

The closing film, *The Amazing Grace*, is the first Nigerian/Nollywood feature to be distributed widely throughout North America. The film is based on the true story of captured slaves from the Calabar region of Nigeria which inspired the song *Amazing Grace*.

The film festival segment will take place Thursday evening, March 20 – Saturday, March 22, 2008, at the Auburn Avenue Research Library with the opening film *A Winter's Tale*.

For more information log onto: [www.wocaf.org](http://www.wocaf.org) or call (404) 453-1053.