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**Bronx Council on the Arts CALL: Creating A Living Legacy**  
**Join us for “The Importance of Documentation” panel discussion**  
**Wednesday, April 15, 2015, 6:00 to 7:30pm**  
**BCA Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos**

(Bronx, NY– April 2, 2015) Attend this panel dialogue to learn about **BCA CALL (Creating A Living Legacy) program**; its importance, process and value through the experiences of Bronx Council on the Arts CALL Artists and Legacy Specialists, BCA and Joan Mitchell Foundation staff. **Panelists include:** CALL Artists Jamillah Jennings (Elsworth Ausby), Olga Kitt and Ademola Olugebefola and BCA CALL Manager Lydia Clark. The discussion will be moderated by Deirdre Scott Executive Director of BCA and Shervone Neckles-Ortiz, Joan Mitchell Foundation Artist Support Manager.

**This event takes place at Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos Community College, 450 Grand Concourse & 149th street. 6:00pm on Wednesday, April 15, 2015. The evening will include a Q and A session.**

**BCA CALL** is a 12-week workforce development program that trains participants on collections management, documentation, archiving protocols and preserving artistic legacies. Trainees receive Technical support, funding, and a database called “Lasting Record”, created by the Joan Mitchell Foundation, which is used to organize, record, transfer and retrieve all material deemed relevant and valuable to the CALL artist’s body of life’s work.

**BCA CALL** provides targeted Legacy training and education to art handlers and teaching artists who then become Legacy Specialists. This workforce training initiative enables selected Legacy Specialists to provide hands-on support and training to elder and at-risk CALL Artists for creating and maintaining a system for documenting and archiving their careers. All participants are BCA-JMF grantees.

**The Legacy CALL Project** is an outgrowth of BCA’s well known Art Handler Training Program (AHTP), established in 1998, and serves the creative workforce by offering career pathways, professional tools and growing skills. The Bronx Council on the Arts is one of four nationally-funded organizations partnering with the Joan Mitchell Foundation, working locally and nationally to create sound systems for advancing artists. The national cohort is committed to enabling creators in preserving their legacies for future generations.

The **Bronx Council on the Arts** (BCA), established in 1962, is the official cultural agency of the Bronx. BCA is recognized nationally as a leading arts service organization that provides grants, cultural services and programming. We serve the entire county of the Bronx (over 1.3 million residents) and connect with Upper Manhattan, Westchester and regional resources. **BCA** offers a wide array of services to a multitude of artists and more than 250 arts and community-based organizations. For further information about BCA and its programs and activities, visit [www.bronxarts.org](http://www.bronxarts.org) or call 718 931-9500.

**Directions:** Subway (#2, 4 or 5 IRT trains); Bus (BX1 or BX19) all destinations to 149th Street and Grand Concourse. Admission is free to all

**RSVP:** [www.eventbrite.com/e/the-importance-of-documentation-tickets-16437605320](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-importance-of-documentation-tickets-16437605320)

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