

Media Advisory, black journalist/author Lerone Bennett to speak at UCSD

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MEDIA ADVISORY

STORY: Black journalist and author, Lerone Bennett, senior editor of Ebony Magazine and former editor of Jet, to speak at the University of California, San Diego.

DATE: Saturday, February 6, 1988

TIME: 3 p.m.

LOCATION: Third College Lecture Hall, Room 107

TOPIC: "The Relevance of Black History."

MEDIA Bennett will be available for media

AVAILABILITY: interviews following his talk, around 4 p.m.

BACKGROUND: Bennett is the author of many poems, short stories, and articles which have appeared in periodicals worldwide. His writings have been translated into French, German, Japanese, Swedish and Arabic. Among his books are: "Before the Mayflower: A History of the Negro in America;" "Black and White Reconstruction, 1867-1877;" "Black Power USA; The Human Side of Reconstruction, and Pioneers in Protest." He began his career as a journalist in 1949 as a reporter for the Atlanta World, and was promoted to city editor three years later. In 1953 he joined Johnson Publications, publishers of Jet and Ebony, where he became associate editor of Ebony in 1954. In 1958, he was named senior editor of the magazine, a post he still holds.

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