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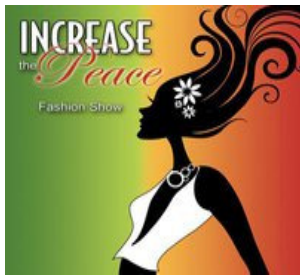
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## What's Happening in Suffolk This Week...

SUFFOLK, VA (February 7, 2011)

### THURSDAY, February 10

- *Increase the Peace Fashion Show Auditions*



Calling all divas and gents! Are you ready to work the runway? The Suffolk Youth Advisory Council and Department of Parks and Recreation will be hosting an "Increase the Peace" Fashion Show on Saturday, March 19th, 2011 at King's Fork Middle School. This event will benefit the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

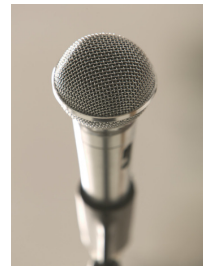
We are currently seeking male and female models ages 3-18 to participate in the show. Auditions will be held on Thursday, February 10 from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. at East Suffolk Recreation Center located at 138 S. 6th Street. For more information on auditions, please call Rickeda Fofana at 514-4509.

- *"Poetry, Prose & Pizza"*

In Celebration of Black History Month, the Suffolk Art Gallery and the Suffolk Art League present "Poetry, Prose & Pizza."

Join us on Thursday, February 10, 2011, from 6-9 p.m. at the Suffolk Art Gallery, formerly known as the Suffolk Museum, located at 118 Bosley Avenue, for an evening of "open mic" poetry and song.

This free and unique event will be hosted by renowned writer/poet Nathan Richardson. Mr. Richardson is an internationally-known writer who was born in Suffolk and calls Hampton Roads home. He will read poetry which reflects his unique perspective on the African-American experience in Suffolk.



Mr. Richardson has been a featured author at numerous literary conferences, including Christopher Newport University, The Hampton Roads Writers, and James River Writers' Conferences. He has had multiple appearances in the Tidewater Community College and Paul D. Camp Community College Literary Festivals. "Poetry, Prose & Pizza" is open to youth as well as adults. Poets and writers throughout Hampton Roads are invited to share in this diverse experience. Pizzas will be provided courtesy of Sal's Pizza at Burnett's Way. For more information, please contact the Suffolk Art Gallery at 514-7284.

## **FRIDAY, February 11**

### *• Parents Night Out*

Give the babysitter a break and enjoy a parent's night out! Drop the kids at Booker T. Washington Recreation Center, on Saturday, February 11, 2011, from 6 until 8 p.m., for an evening of fun while you enjoy a night on the town. Children ages 5-11 will enjoy games, crafts, and refreshments. This program is free, but pre-registration is required. Booker T.

Washington Recreation Center is located at 204 Walnut Street, Suffolk, VA 23434.

For more information or to register your child, please call 514-7247



## **SATURDAY, February 12**

### *• Family Craft Story Time*



The North Suffolk Library is offering six story time/reading programs this winter and spring from January 10 to May 11, 2011. Registration is required only for the Baby & Me program. Call 514-7150 for more information, or check our website at [www.suffolk.lib.va.us](http://www.suffolk.lib.va.us).

Family Craft Story time: For the whole family. Second Saturday of the month, 10:30 a.m.:

- February 12
- March 12
- April 9
- May 14

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