

ROBERT HOOKS

Founder Arts Institutions, Actor, Producer, Activist and Culturist

Selected Speaking Engagements

- Spotlight Series: County of Los Angeles Public Library
West Hollywood California November 2015
- Inner City Cultural Center 50th Anniversary
Panel on Diversity in the Entertainment Industry October 2015
- National Black Theatre Festival, Winston-Salem, NC
Featured Speaker & Honoree: History Maker Award August 2015
- Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital, Albany, Georgia 2012
Overcoming Black Males' Reluctance to Pursue Preventive Health Care
- Black Theater Alliance Awards, Chicago, IL 2007
Featured Speaker & Honoree: Lifetime Achievement Award
- Black Academy of Arts and Letters, Dallas, TX 2006
Featured Speaker & Honoree
- Beverly Hills/Hollywood NAACP 2005
15th Annual Theatre Awards, Honoring the Negro Ensemble Company (NEC)
Featured Speaker / Honoree
- New Federal Theatre, New York 2005
Featured Speaker: *Spirit of Black Theatre*
- Civil Rights Memorial Commission, Albany, Georgia 2002
Martin Luther King Celebration
- Bowie State University, Bowie, Maryland 2001
 - Commencement Speaker: *What Lies Ahead*
 - Awarded Honorary *Doctor of Humane Letters Degree*
- Springfield College, Los Angeles campus 2000
Commencement Speaker: *Looking Ahead*
- Martin Luther King Day gala - Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles 1998
 - Master of Ceremonies
 - Profiled and introduced President Bill Clinton
- Clark College Theatre Department, Atlanta, Georgia 1993
The Black Artist

- 100 Black Men, Albany, Georgia 1991
Conference Speaker: *Accomplishing Your Goals*
- NAACP, Los Angeles. Annual Gala 1989
Hollywood and Black Artists
- National Urban League Dinner, Los Angeles 1986
Theatre in the Community
- Congressional Hearing Testimony Speech, Washington, D.C. 1983
Black Under-Representation in America's Media
- National Black Media Coalition, Los Angeles 1983
Communication and the Black Image
- City Council Assembly, Washington, D.C. 1975
On the State of Black Theatre in America
- Howard University, Washington, D.C. 1973
Keynote Speaker, Commencement
- New York University, Theatre Department 1970
The Significance of the Negro Ensemble Company (NEC)
- Arena Stage Theatre Seminar, Washington, D.C. 1971
Black Theatre in the Nation's Capitol
- The Harlem Cultural Coalition, New York 1969
Actors and Politics
- Hudson Guild, New York 1969
Teenagers and Cultural Activities
- Chelsea Civil Rights Council, New York 1968
Theatre in America for Minorities

** *This is a partial list of speaking engagements. Also not noted above are his many Master of Ceremonies appearances*
