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(December 27, 2010) Armstrong Atlantic State University will host the Savannah premiere of "Words Between Two Reformers: Mary McLeod Bethune and Eleanor Roosevelt," an original theatrical work that brings to life the voices of two champions of suffrage and equality. The presentation, being held as a precursor to the 22nd Annual Savannah Black Heritage Festival, will be at 7 p.m. on January 22 in the Fine Arts Auditorium on the Armstrong campus, 11935 Abercorn Street. The event is free and open to the public.

"Words Between Two Reformers" explores the friendship between First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt and Bethune—an educator, civil rights leader and member of Franklin D. Roosevelt's Black Cabinet. The two women were among the most prominent 20th century advocates of social change.

Written and produced by Jewell Robinson, "Words Between Two Reformers" features Ysaye M. Bamwell as Mary McLeod Bethune and Linda Kenyon as Eleanor Roosevelt. The work was initially performed in Washington, D.C. as part of the 2010 Black Heritage Month and Women's History Month celebrations.

The Savannah Black Heritage Festival is presented by the city of Savannah and Savannah State University. For additional information about the festival and a complete schedule, visit www.savannahblackheritagefestival.com/.



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