

## NEWS

### *For Immediate Release*

#### The "Mother Ocean" Odyssey Goes Virtual

*An evening with Semaj Brown, Flint, Michigan's First Poet Laureate*

FLINT, Mich. (Sunday, Feb. 21, 2021) -- The Greater Flint community is invited to a virtual presentation of The "Mother Ocean" Odyssey. The event will take place Wednesday, February 24 at 7 p.m.

Created and performed by Semaj Brown, Flint, Michigan's First Poet Laureate, "Mother Ocean" is an original work inspired by the artistic exhibit of Jerry Taliaferro's Women of a New Tribe, which features black-and-white photographic portraits of women from Flint's African American community.

Brown has performed "Mother Ocean" before diverse audiences since 2017. Entertaining and educational, the dramatic prose is utilized as a tool to teach history, literary art, social justice, and women's studies.

Woodside Church of Flint will facilitate the virtual presentation. The event is free. Visit [bit.ly/3aFjsrp](http://bit.ly/3aFjsrp) to register.

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#### *About Semaj Brown*

*Semaj Brown is a thought leader who navigates outside the line. As Flint, Michigan's First Poet Laureate, Semaj is a 21st century innovator in the areas of the literary arts, health/science education, and theater. Semaj is recognized by the Academy of American poets in New York, New York, and is a featured columnist at The Flint Courier News.*

*For booking information, visit [www.SemajBrown.com](http://www.SemajBrown.com).*

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