

A JOURNEY TO HEALING

Sponsored by the Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community in partnership with U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women.

This must-attend event will be loaded with informative and engaging presentations, practical information, interactive sessions, and artistic expressions – all focused on learning how to help battered women and adults who witnessed domestic violence as children discover their own pathway to healing and recovery.

**August 3-4,
2009
Long Beach,
California**



FINDING THE PATH

Featured speakers:

- **Brenda L. Thomas**, author of the Essence Magazine best-selling memoir, *Laying Down My Burdens*
- **Carolyn West, Ph.D.**, award-winning scholar specializing in violence in the lives of black women
- **Mildred Muhammad**, former wife of the "DC Sniper" John Allen Muhammad and domestic violence survivor
- **A host of scholars, practitioners, advocates, and domestic violence survivors**

Plus:

- **Several artistic expressions**, including an original vignette featuring **Margaret "Shug" Avery** from "The Color Purple" and original music by the **Sounds of Blackness**
- **Book signings** from critically acclaimed authors

Participants will be:

- **Enlightened** by the riveting, first-hand accounts of survivors;
- **Educated** with cutting-edge information from interactive and engaging discussions with expert panelists; and
- **Captivated** by a series of originally crafted artistic expressions – all focused on learning how to help battered women and adults who witnessed domestic violence as children discover their personal pathway to healing and recovery.

For the full agenda, and information on speakers, visit: www.idvaac.org/healing



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About the Conference



Through a series of panel discussions, workshops, and artistic performances, IDVAAC will explore the definitions of and the journey to healing for survivors of domestic violence, as well as adults who witnessed domestic violence as children. The conference will highlight the experiences of these individuals, with a focus on how to move forward in the healing process. Featured panelists and performers will include:



survivors of domestic violence, adults who witnessed violence as children, domestic violence advocates and scholars, and socially conscious artists who are

using their platform to bring attention to the plight of battered women.



Logistical Information

Meeting info

The Westin Long Beach
333 E. Ocean Boulevard
Long Beach, California 90802
Phone: 562.436.3000

Special Room Rate: \$128 plus tax (space is limited, reserve your room on-line at <http://is.gd/BGLS> .

Travel

The Westin is accessible from Long Beach Airport (closest) and Los Angeles International Airport (more travel options). Please visit the conference site, www.idvaac.org/healing/index.html for more information.

REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Fees and Payment Information

Registration includes all briefing materials; continental breakfast on both days; and admission to all conference sessions, including the awards luncheon. The registration fee for the conference is \$79 per person.

We encourage you to register early and save. Space is limited! To register on-line, you must pay by credit card (MasterCard, Visa, or American Express). Faxed and mail-in registrations must be **received** no later than **July 10, 2009**. Please note that faxed registrations must be paid using a credit card only. Mail-in registrants may pay by check or credit card. Organizations may pay for multiple registrants with one check; however, a separate registration form for each registrant is required. Please note that registration forms will not be accepted without payment. The registration form(s) and payment must be sent together. Within one week of our receiving your registration form and payment, we will forward confirmation of your conference registration. Please direct questions to **LPMatthews@idvaac.org**, or call Lynne Matthews at **410.597.9912**.

To download a registration form, visit <http://is.gd/BGZD> to receive a copy by e-mail, fax, or postal mail, contact, Lynne Matthews via the contact information listed above.

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Special Requirements: (dietary restrictions, wheelchair access, sign language, etc.)

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