


# *Celebrating*

Twenty-Three Years of  
Serving, Supporting and Educating Black  
Youth in America



The Sister Thea Bowman  
Black Catholic Educational Foundation  
Seventeenth Annual Scholarship Dinner

Thursday, April 11, 2013  
Heinz Field East Club Lounge



# Oblate Sisters of Providence

## Providence Will Provide

On July 2, 1829 the Oblate Sisters of Providence was founded by Mother Mary Lange, OSP, and Rev. James Nicholas Joubert, SS, as the first congregation of women religious of African descent. This was the beginning of a legacy that has thrived over the past 180 years in 25 cities in the United States, Cuba, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic and most recently Africa. The Sisters also founded and still administer Saint Frances Academy, the oldest continuously operating Black Catholic school in the United States. As the world's first congregation of women religious of African descent, they spread the good news of Christ by their faith, their love for God, and their firm hope and trust in God's Providence by following the teachings of Mother Mary Lange, OSP, their saintly foundress and founder Rev. James Joubert, SS. Their work is primarily among African American communities in the inner cities and Caribbean countries. In these ministries they continue Mother Lange's tradition of education and service to the poor, the neglected, and to all those in need. The primary determinants of their ministries are a keen awareness of and a positive response to the signs of the times.



DR. JOHN E. MURRAY, JR.  
President,  
The Sister Thea Bowman Black Catholic Educational Foundation  
and

SCOTT and SUSAN LAMMIE  
Honorary Chairs

*Cordially Invite You to Attend the Celebration of the*  
SISTER THEA BOWMAN FOUNDATION'S TWENTY-THIRD YEAR  
*of Serving, Supporting and Educating the Black Youth in America*  
*and Presentation of the*  
SISTER THEA BOWMAN LEGACY AWARD  
*to the*  
OBLATE SISTERS OF PROVIDENCE

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2013  
HEINZ FIELD, EAST CLUB LOUNGE  
COCKTAILS 5:30 P.M. DINNER 6:30 P.M.

Master of Ceremonies  
MR. VINCE SIMS  
Reporter and Anchor, Channel 11 News

*with*

*"Music to Move the Soul"*  
MR. ERIC GENIUS  
Composer, Virtuoso Pianist and Acclaimed Performer

*A Special Cocktail Reception for Thea Bowman Alumni and Scholars*

*Parking available in the Gold Lot on General Robinson Street for a \$5 fee*

Dinner: \$100 per person - \$1000 per table of ten

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RSVP BY MARCH 28, 2013

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Sr. Thea Bowman  
1937 - 1990

*"I think the difference between me and some people is that I'm content to do my little bit. Sometimes people think they have to do big things in order to make change. But if each one would light a candle we'd have a tremendous light."*

Sr. Thea Bowman

The Sister Thea Bowman Black Catholic Educational Foundation continues its mission of providing Catholic higher education to those talented young African Americans who otherwise would not have access to this opportunity.

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