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**BOCA RATON PUBLIC LIBRARY – DOWNTOWN  
HOSTS BABA LYONS IN “OUT OF AFRICA”  
IN BRPL’S 2019 STORY CENTRAL SERIES, “CULTURAL CONNECTIONS”  
MARCH 23, 2019, 4:00–5:30PM**

(Boca Raton, FL) – It’s a cultural experience you won’t want to miss! Boca Raton Public Library continues its 2019 Story Central theme, “Cultural Connections,” with a performance by accomplished storyteller, Baba Lyons, at the Downtown Library on Saturday, March 23 at 4:00pm. A graduate of the National Black Theater of Harlem, Baba Adekemi Lyons is a storyteller, actor and musician who has entertained audiences with stories and songs from his African heritage for more than 25 years. Among his numerous awards, he is a 2003 State of Florida Cultural Affairs Fellow, and he has won an artistic achievement award from the Broward County Cultural Affairs Council.

In “Out of Africa,” Lyons blends actual events with traditional Zulu, Ashanti and Yoruba stories and songs that he learned from his grandmother. Using drums, kalimba (thumb piano), flute and other authentic instruments, he shares and celebrates his African heritage in this highly energetic and multi-dimensional show.

“One of the amazing things about storytelling is that when we listen, we travel the world from the comfort of our seats. The storyteller is our guide, and the journey can be nothing short of extraordinary,” notes Story Central facilitator, Caren S. Neile, Ph.D., MFA. “Plus we don’t have to worry about passports, airports or travel sickness!” A performance storyteller and author, she has taught storytelling and writing for twenty-five years in universities and community settings. She currently teaches at Florida Atlantic University.

Register for this highly entertaining presentation through the library’s calendar at [bocalibrary.org](http://bocalibrary.org).



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