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**The San Francisco Human Rights Commission and San Francisco Alliance of My Brother and Sister’s Keeper to Host an Evening with Prolific Author, Professor, Activist and Philosopher Dr. Cornel West**

_Race Matters: 25 Years Later - An Evening with Dr. Cornel West_

*Friday, April 27, 2018 Nourse Theater, 275 Hayes Street @ 7:00pm (Doors open at 6:00pm)*

(San Francisco) The San Francisco Human Rights Commission (SF-HRC) and San Francisco Alliance of My Brother and Sister's Keeper (MBSK) are pleased to host an evening with Professor, Philosopher, Author, & Activist Dr. Cornel West. This programming is part of the 2017-2018 San Francisco Alliance of My Brother and Sister’s Keeper Speaker Series.

Cornel West is a prominent and provocative democratic intellectual. He is Professor of the Practice of Public Philosophy at Harvard University and holds the title of Professor Emeritus at Princeton University. He has also taught at Union Theological Seminary, Yale, Harvard, and the University of Paris. Cornel West graduated Magna Cum Laude from Harvard in three years and obtained his M.A. and Ph.D. in Philosophy at Princeton.

Dr. West has written 20 books and has edited 13. He is best known for his classics, _Race Matters_ and _Democracy Matters_, and for his memoir, _Brother West: Living and Loving Out Loud_. His most recent book, _Black Prophetic Fire_, offers an unflinching look at nineteenth and twentieth-century African American leaders and their visionary legacies.

Dr. West is a frequent guest on the Bill Maher Show, CNN, C-Span and Democracy Now and has produced three spoken word albums including Never Forget, collaborating with Prince, Jill Scott, Andre 3000, Talib Kweli, KRS-One and Gerald Levert.

In short, Cornel West has a passion to communicate to a vast variety of publics in order to keep alive the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. – a legacy of telling the truth and bearing witness to love and justice.

A limited number of tickets remain available! For ticket information or general inquiries regarding this event please contact Lori Gannon @ lori.gannon@sfgov.org or Danniele Glover @ danniele.glover@sfgov.org or by calling the SFHRC Office at 415-252-2500.

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The MBSK series features thought leaders sharing insights on current affairs and systemic institutional problems, with an eye on developing and inspiring the next generation of leaders. These events are offered at low or no cost to youth and community members.