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## Delaware Historical Society Film Series Documenting the Stories of Prominent African American Leaders in Delaware Concludes This Month

*Voices of the Elders: Stories of African Americans in Delaware* film series to feature Dr. Lozelle J. DeLuz.

Wilmington, DE — The Delaware Historical Society's Center for African American Heritage announces the final installment of the *Voices of the Elders* series with a program highlighting the life and career of Lozelle J. DeLuz, Ph.D. Throughout 2015, the *Voices of the Elders* series has documented and shared the stories of a prominent African American leaders in Delaware through short films and mini-exhibitions. Past elders have included: Esthelda Parker Selby, Dr. Joseph E. Johnson, Canon Lloyd Casson, George C. Wright, Jr., and the late James H. Gilliam, Sr.

**WHAT:** December *Voices of the Elders* program featuring Lozelle J. DeLuz, PhD.

**WHO:** Dr. DeLuz is a successful and engaged entrepreneur, philanthropist, volunteer, community leader, and mentor. She was the first woman elected to the McDonald's Philadelphia Regional Board of Directors, and the first African American woman elected to the Board of Directors of the National Ronald McDonald Children's Charities. She has been honored by Girls Inc. of Delaware, is a member of the "Hall of Fame of Delaware Women", and was inducted into the University of Delaware's Wall of Fame in 1990.

**WHERE:** The Copeland Room of the Delaware History Museum, located at 504 N. Market St., Wilmington, DE 19801. Free parking provided by Colonial Parking in the 6th and Shipley St. lot.

**WHEN:** Thursday, December 10, 2015. Film screening and program to begin at 6:30 p.m.

Reservations are required and can be made by calling (302) 655-7161 or [deinfo@dehistory.org](mailto:deinfo@dehistory.org).

This program is a collaboration between the Delaware Historical Society's Center for African American Heritage, WITN22, and the Wilmington City Council.

The Delaware Historical Society owns and operates the Delaware History Museum; a nationally recognized Research Library; Old Town Hall; Willingtown Square, four 18th-century houses surrounding a picturesque urban courtyard located in Wilmington; as well as the Read House & Gardens located in historic New Castle, recognized as an "American Treasure" by the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the National Park Service; and The Center for African American Heritage, which will be included as part of the expansion of the Delaware History Museum, expected to reopen in 2016.

For more information on the Delaware Historical Society, call (302) 655-7161 or visit [www.dehistory.org](http://www.dehistory.org).

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