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**AAMPA GRIOT LAB FELLOWSHIP**



AAMPA's professional master class series has its roots in the tradition of griots, or members of a hereditary caste in African culture whose function is to keep an oral history of the tribe or village and to entertain with stories, poems, songs, and dances. In continuation of this tradition, we offer quarterly, multi-week master classes in all performing arts taught by leaders in their discipline. These courses offer an invaluable professional development opportunity for both emerging and established artists. Last year we featured master classes from Television and Film icon Harry Lennix and Robert Townsend.





## **2023-24 FELLOWS**

Each year we select students and young professionals to receive our AAMPA GRIOT LAB FELLOWSHIPS. This programs give future artists FREE access to our lab and tickets to attend professional events and productions. This year we have selected the students from Arts and Public Life at the Greenline Theater. These talented young artists are studying backstage production. They received free tickets to the Robert Townsend master class where they met WGN producer Tyra Martin. Some of them expressed their interest in television production and media, so we are sponsoring a special summer workshop in MEDIA and Television production at WGN. On July 20, 2023, they will record segments that they created with Tyra Martin which will air on July 22<sup>nd</sup> on the show PEOPLE TO PEOPLE hosted by WGN anchor Micah Meterre.

Our goal at AAMPA is to educate our future artists by putting them in professional roles that will assist them in getting professional experience that they can use to attain employment in the landscape of arts and culture.

# **MEDIA AND TELEVISION PRODUCTION WORKSHOP**

**Hosted By**



**WGN NEWS  
PRODUCER  
TYRA  
MARTIN**

**WGN ANCHOR  
MICAH  
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