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## **Whitaker Center and American Literacy Corporation Host Free MLK Day of Reading Event**

**Harrisburg, PA** – January 15, 2025 – Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts, in collaboration with the American Literacy Corporation (ALC), will host the annual MLK Day of Reading event on Monday, January 20, 2025, from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM. This free public event will take place in the Kunkel Gallery and Desoto Lounge at Whitaker Center, located at 222 Market Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101.

The MLK Day of Reading celebrates Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy by promoting literacy and community engagement. Families are invited to participate in readings at nearly 20 locations throughout the area, culminating in a grand finale at Whitaker Center. Children aged 12 and under attending the event will receive a brand-new children's book after each reading session, fostering a love for reading and learning.

"We are honored to co-present this event with the American Literacy Corporation," said Mary Oliveira, President and CEO of Whitaker Center. "Our goal is to inspire young minds and bring the community together in celebration of Dr. King's enduring legacy of culture and lifelong learning."

For more information about the MLK Day of Reading and other upcoming events, please visit Whitaker Center's website at <https://www.whitakercenter.org/special-events/mlk-day-of-reading/>.

**About Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts:** Celebrating its 25th Anniversary, Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts is a non-profit center dedicated to arts, education, entertainment, and cultural enrichment. Located in the heart of Harrisburg's vibrant downtown, Whitaker Center offers a range of attractions, including the PNC Innovation Zone, Sunoco Performance Theater, UPMC Science Center, STEM Design Studios, and Select Medical Digital Cinema. For a comprehensive list of events, shows, hours of operation, and ticket rates, please visit [whitakercenter.org](http://whitakercenter.org).

**About American Literacy Corporation:** The American Literacy Corporation is dedicated to enhancing literacy skills among children and adults. By providing access to books, educational

resources, and community programs, ALC strives to empower individuals and promote a culture of reading.

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