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IN-PERSON SCHOMBURG LIBRARY TALK

The Power of Storytelling



Schomburg Center's three buildings. Photo by Kevin C. Matthews.

In-Person Schomburg Library Talk, “The Power of Storytelling,” with Harlem Schomburg Center Deputy Director of Operations & External Engagement, and Columbia Grad, Kevin Matthews

February 7, 2023 / 12:00 to 1:30 PM

Columbia Climate School (Hogan Hall A Conference Room on-site with streaming capabilities)

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As an internationally formidable institution in our beloved Harlem, the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture is integral to the identity of the community space and place, and is an inimitable repository of collective knowledge, rich archives, and shared communal histories. Join us to not only learn about the history and offerings of the Schomburg, but its cultural, social, and historical significance in a community with beautifully diverse stories, worth telling.



Kevin Matthews

Kevin C. Matthews is deputy director of the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, one of the world's leading cultural institutions devoted African American and African Diaspora experiences. In this role he promotes the Center's vision to facilitate access and community engagement, and oversees communications and development, while honoring the tradition of Black literacy and librarianship. Previously, K.C. was Area Director for the New York City office of UNCF – the United Negro College Fund. He has the distinction of serving as the fifth and eighth Executive Director of Columbia University's Double Discovery Center, the pre-college division founded in 1965 to house the Upward Bound and Talent Search Programs for low-income and first-generation college youngsters. Mr. Matthews attended NYC public schools in South Jamaica, Queens before completing undergraduate and post-graduate studies at Columbia University. He has lived in Harlem most of his adult life.