



America's Black Forum Episode Synopsis

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This week on **America's Black Forum**:

Homeless as a Protected Class

In October 2022, the Nation's Capitol passed a law making the unhoused a protected class. **DC Council Member At-Large Robert White and journalist and homeless advocate Reginald Black** hope the measure will be an example to other cities while helping the 86% of Black people who are homeless in The District.

Hip Hop Fashion Exhibit at the Museum at FIT

When you hear the term Hip Hop - the high energy, sometimes frantic music comes to mind. Millions danced and gyrated to the beats of Grandmaster Flash and the Furious Five, LL Cool J and Snoop Dogg to name a few. But, there's more to Hip Hop than just the music. It's an entire culture and an attitude. And a certain way of dressing. Hip Hop Fashion is being celebrated at the Museum - Fashion Institute of Technology in New York or M-FIT. **We meet the curators, Elizabeth Way and Elena Romero, of the exhibit titled: "Fresh, Fly and Fabulous: Fifty Years of Hip Hop Style"** and learn about the impact Hip Hop has had on the entire fashion industry.

Stylist Marcellas Reynolds

Renowned stylist Marcellas Reynolds shares his inspiration behind his docuseries "Supreme Models" following the success of his books: "Supreme Models: Iconic Black Women Who Revolutionized Fashion" and "Supreme Actresses: Iconic Black Women Who Revolutionized Hollywood." Reynolds' own humble beginnings were altered by the lure of the fashion industry, leading to career success highlights as television host, producer, actor and even a stint on Big Brother. Reynolds shares why it's important to know the history behind the Black models that paved the way for others.