



Hosted by Kim Hawthorne, Star of Oprah Winfrey Network's (OWN) Hit Series *Greenleaf*

Newark Arts' Flashes of Genius Brings Out the Brightest Stars of Art, Film and Television in honor of Ellen Lambert

EVENT: April 3, 2018 – (NEWARK, NJ) -- Newark Arts will celebrate the outstanding life and career of Ellen Lambert, recently retired Chief Diversity Officer of PSEG, President of PSEG Foundation and Senior Director of Corporate Citizenship and Culture on April 11, 2017 in Newark, New Jersey.

Flashes of Genius: A Powerful Celebration of Ellen Lambert will transform the Great Hall at 15 Washington Street into a sculpture garden, featuring art by Lambert, select Newark artists, and a specially-commissioned energy-powered work by lighting artist Sunil Garg. The one-of-a-kind fundraising event for Newark Arts will highlight Lambert's career as an advocate for women, underserved populations, social investment and the arts. Newark Arts' fundraiser helps sustain the non-profit's efforts to support community-driven initiatives.

DATE: Wednesday, April 11, 2018

TIME: 5:30pm – 8:00pm

LOCATION: Rutgers University-Newark Great Hall, 15 Washington Street, Newark, NJ 07102

SPECIAL GUESTS:

Kim Hawthorne, star of OWN's hit show *Greenleaf*

Tobias Truvillion, star of BET's new show *In Contempt*; FOX's hit show *Empire* ("D Major")

Ellen Lambert, *Flashes of Genius* Honoree; recently retired Chief Diversity Officer of PSEG

FEATURED ARTISTS:

Ellen Lambert, "Ancestors" (1978), "Portrait" (1978), "Seasons" (1976)

Adrienne Wheeler, "In This We Trust" (2018)

Jerry Gant, "The Openness of Many" (2008)

Robert Lach, "Meadowlands Branch III" (2015)

Sunil Garg, "Quest For Light" (2018), "Seated Figure" (2018), "Collision" (2018)

Andrew Chiang and Nai-Ni Chen of Nai-Ni Chen Dance Company

Lynette Lashawn "A Seat In A Neon Garden" (2018)
Danielle Scott and All Stars Project of New Jersey "Centerpieces" (2018)
Kween Moore "PSEG Flashes of Genius Pop Up Portrait Studio"
Tamara Fleming Photography "PSEG Flashes of Genius Pop Up Portrait Studio"
Armisey Smith, Curator
DJ Sienna Chanel

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Kim Hawthorne Video Invite: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z0614ZUQFQ8>

About Newark Arts: Newark Arts powers the arts to transform the lives of those who live in, work in, and visit Newark, ranked as the nation's ninth most arts vibrant city by the National Center for Art Research. The organization is the umbrella for the Newark Arts Education Roundtable (NAER) and partners with the Mayor's Office of Cultural Development, Arts, and Tourism. Newark Arts awards neighborhood grants via its ArtStart program, supported by the Prudential Foundation. Newark Arts oversees Newark Creates, a citywide community engagement process to create a cultural plan. The 501(c)3 nonprofit also produces the annual Open Doors Citywide Arts Festival in October. For more information, visit www.newarkarts.org.