



CUYAHOGA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

# ALUMNI RELATIONS

NEWSLETTER

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## Alumni Profile: Portia Booker

When Portia Booker graduated from high school, she was not sure what she wanted to do with the rest of her life. She knew she wanted to continue her education, and did not want to incur unnecessary loans, so she chose Cuyahoga Community College because it was affordable and offered many program options. Tri-C immediately helped Booker determine her career path. "I was introduced to the newsroom on my first day and I fell in love with it. I knew I didn't want to go into anything else," she said. [Read the rest of her story.](#)

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## Support Issue 61: Tri-C's first-ever Capital Bond Issue!

Cuyahoga Community College is on the November 7th ballot with Issue 61, a 0.5 mill bond issue. After 54 years, Tri-C's buildings are in need of renovation, expansion and upgrades to keep pace with changing technology and emerging jobs. And, we hope to do just that! Issue 61 will upgrade classrooms, labs and equipment; replace and repair electrical, plumbing, HVAC and security systems and provide access for people with disabilities.

Members and friends of Tri-C have been phone banking, distributing literature and displaying yard signs to show their support. Pictured above is Tri-C President Alex Johnson, who met members of the Metro Campus basketball team while distributing literature together.

Issue 61 will cost less than \$1.50/month per \$100,000 home value. You can get more information and sign up to help and to get a yard sign [here](#).



## Tri-C alumnus meets Oscar winner at 2017 Presidential Scholarship Luncheon

Academy Award-winning actress Octavia Spencer put the stars within reach for Cuyahoga Community College students by helping the Tri-C Foundation raise \$1.2 million for student scholarships at the 2017 Presidential Scholarship Luncheon, held on October 4, 2017. Thomas Matheis graduated from Tri-C in May after majoring in Media Arts and Filmmaking and had the opportunity to meet the featured guest after the event. The new graduate credits the program at Tri-C for giving him the tools needed to start working. "Because of the classes and courses I've taken at Tri-C, I have been able to work on Hollywood feature films right here in Cleveland," he said. Tri-C truly is the place *Where futures begin!*

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## Tri-C Classical Piano Series

The Tri-C Classical Piano Series kicks off its 11th season of presenting internationally acclaimed artists and rising young stars to Cleveland audiences free-of-charge this Sunday, October 15, at 2 p.m. in the Cleveland Museum of Art's Gartner Auditorium with a performance by Roberto Plano (above). [Learn more about the new season.](#)

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Join the Faculty Senate Service  
and Collegiality Committee for a free

# Halloween EXTRAVAGANZA

Bring your kids,  
grandkids and  
neighbors for an  
afternoon of Candy,  
Games, Crafts and  
Learning Activities

**Saturday,  
Oct. 28, 2017  
2 - 4 p.m.**

Cuyahoga Community College  
Western Campus - Liberal Arts B Atrium  
11000 Pleasant Valley Road, Parma

Kids ages 2-10 welcome  
(with parent or guardian)  
Costumes encouraged!

Please bring a canned or packaged good  
for donation to the Tri-C\* student food bank.

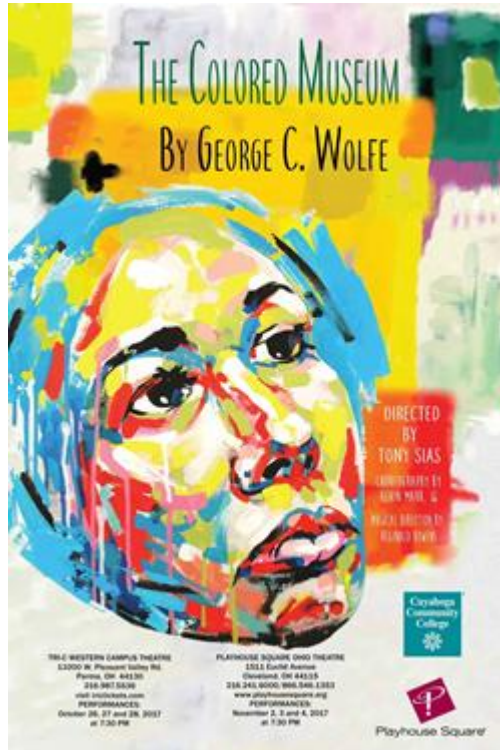
Questions? Contact Jen Skop at [jennifer.skop@tri-c.edu](mailto:jennifer.skop@tri-c.edu)  
or 216-987-5039.



## Halloween Extravaganza on Western Campus

Bring your family to Tri-C for an afternoon of candy, games and crafts at the Western Campus Halloween Extravaganza on Saturday, October 28 from 2-4 p.m.! Kids ages 2-10 are welcome to attend with an adult, and costumes are encouraged, at the Liberal Arts B Atrium (11000 Pleasant Valley Road, Parma).

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## Win tickets to Tri-C's fall College-wide production of "The Colored Museum"

The Tri-C Theatre Department fall production of "The Colored Museum" will be presented at 7:30 p.m. at the [Western Campus Theatre](#) on October 26-28, and at [Playhouse Square's Ohio Theatre](#) on November 2-4.

We want to give you a chance to win two free tickets! Email your name to [Alumni Relations](#) and be sure to include which date (October 26, 27, 28 or November 2, 3 or 4) you would like to see the show. Entries must be received by October 23, 2017.

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