MUSEUM OF BLACK INVENTORS

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LORETTA FORD

Loretta Ford had no idea how visiting a Book Fair at St. Louis University would change life for so many. She picked up a book called Black Inventors of America by Burt McKinley Jr., and as the saying goes, "The Rest is History"! Literally, the history of Black Inventors is highlighted in the Museum of Black Inventors. Photographs, drawings, documentation and replicas make up the well crafted, colorful display. The first of its kind to open and house a permanent display of African American Innovators was launched February 25, 1996 in the Central West end of St Louis Missouri. MOBI/Museum of Black Inventors opened in walking distance to the beautiful Forest Park, St Louis Science Center, MO History Museum and many more tourist attractions that represent St. Louis's magnificent history.

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The Museum quickly outgrew its permanent location and began traveling around the country. Bookings by schools, Colleges and organizations kept MOBI busy year round. Corporations began hosting the Knowledge On Wheels Traveling exhibit during Black History Month as a way to incorporate Diversity into the work place. This proved successful and word of mouth spread throughout the states. It has been more than 20 years since the exhibition started to travel;

And, it is growing in size and demand from organizations around the US. The impact of the Covid Pandemic has cost the Museum revenue that was earmarked to move the museum to a state of the art first of its kind Brick & Mortar Museum space. Looking ahead, we recently initiated talks with the National Museum of African American History and Culture in DC (Smithsonian) to retire the entire exhibit as a permanent gallery. For now, our immediate goal is to continue building and updating replicas, adding digital displays to the exhibit and more. We seek support from corporate donors and will continue to work towards our goals by hosting the traveling museum onsite as the country slowly reopens and gain safe spaces for the Arts & Culture.

MOBI THE LOGO

In 1995 Arvelle Fisher learned from his niece Angie Fisher that her good friend had opened a museum celebrating Black Inventors. He was so excited that he wanted to be a part of it in some way. He worked on designs for a logo until he mastered the one used still today in the Museum of Black Inventors, He and his brother Booker T Fisher were instrumental in getting the word out to schools churches and everyone they encountered to share about African American contributions.





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Knowledge on Wheels Traveling Exhibit





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TRAVELING EXHIBIT

Knowledge on Wheels Traveling Exhibit



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MOBI



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