

Ethnic Heritage Council

of the Pacific Northwest

Invites You to Join Us at

ETHNIC SPRINGFEST

FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 2012

*An Evening of Friendship & Celebration
Presenting our "Cultural Treasure Award" to*

Pastor PATRINELL WRIGHT

5:30 pm - Social Hour/No-Host Bar

6:30 pm - Dinner Served

**7:30 pm - Celebratory Program
With Entertainment by**

Wheedle's Groove

\$45 EHC Member

\$55 Non-Member

\$25 youth 13 & under

House of Hong Restaurant

409 - 8th Avenue South, Seattle, 98104

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Name _____ EHC Member @ \$45 = _____

Organization _____ Non-Member @ \$55 = _____

Address _____ Youth @ \$25* = _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ * Youth 13 & under

Phone _____ Donation = _____

Email _____ TOTAL = _____

Check enclosed (payable to EHC)

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Photos by Jal Schrof

Photo above: **Patrinell Wright** performing at MOHAI, EHC, Humanities Washington Event - *Washington Stories* - 2007. Photo top left & bottom left: **Patrinell Wright & Total Experience Gospel Choir** performing at EHC's Annual July 4th Naturalization Ceremony.

Pastor Patrinell "Pat" Wright was born in Carthage, Texas to a Baptist preacher dad and a school teacher mom. She is one of seven siblings. Being introduced to music early, she sang her first solo at the age of 3. By the time of her 14th birthday, she had taught herself to play the piano and was directing two choirs in her father's church.



Patrinell attended Turner High School in Carthage where she graduated as valedictorian of her class. She went on to attend college at Prairie View A & M in Hempstead, Texas. In 1964, Pat moved to Seattle. Her music career is quite extensive and in 1973 she founded **Total Experience Gospel Choir**. The choir is very well known and has traveled and performed in 38 states, on 5 continents and 22 countries. The choir consists of persons ages 7– 72. The choir has to its credits numerous awards and recordings.

Pastor Wright has dedicated many hours for hurricane relief work. She and Total Experience Gospel Choir visited the areas hit by Hurricane Katrina in August 2006 helping with rebuilding lives and property. Pastor Wright returned to the area in April 2007 to aid and assist in providing three organizations that had been identified during the 2006 visit with finances and a pickup truck. In 2008 and 2009 they travelled to the area continuing their efforts.

In May 2007, *ABC News World News Tonight* named her "Person of the Week" and in December 2007 she was honored as one of the "Persons of the Year" 2007.

At present, Pastor Wright and Total Experience Gospel Choir work untiringly in helping the people of Ishinomaki, Japan. In May 2012, Pastor Wright and Total Experience Gospel Choir will travel to Japan to work in the camps and bring musical ministries wherever they go!

Pastor Patrinell Wright is married to Reverend Benny Wright. They have two grown children, four grandsons and one granddaughter.

RESERVE YOUR TABLE FOR 10!

For Group Reservations (included in this reservation) please list names below:

Total number in Group: _____

Please include your name as listing number 1)

- 1) (your name) _____
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