

T.I.E. RESOURCE CENTERS INC. BENEFIT CONCERT
featuring jazz vocal musician
LENORA ZENZALAI HELM
performing
CHRONICLES OF A BUTTERFLY: A STORY OF TRANSFORMATION

January 15, 2010 , Durham, NC Lenora Zenzalai Helm, award winning jazz vocal musician, composer, lyricist and educator will perform a concert of songs from her new CD *Chronicles of a Butterfly* at Broad Street Cafe, Durham, NC on **Friday, March 19, 2010 at 7 pm**. The concert is a **benefit for Durham based nonprofit, T.I.E. Resource Centers, Inc.**

T.I.E. (Transformation, Inspiration, Education) Resource Centers, Inc., founded by Executive Director Danita Davis is a Durham based nonprofit with a mission to serve needs of survivors of domestic violence, moving them toward a productive, successful life. Durham native, Danita Davis, herself a survivor of domestic violence, founded T.I.E. Resource Centers Inc., in April 2009 as a local domestic violence recovery organization dedicated to provide women, children and families with vital transformative resources for healthy independent living. Helm and Davis are collaborating in this second concert in a **12 concert tour series, "The Butterfly Concerts"**. The goal for each event is to **raise funds for families and/or communities** who have endured recent tragedies or traumas. The concept for The Butterfly Concerts and the CD release is that of transformation from personal or community tragedies to triumphs, despite profound challenges. Each concert event in the series will have a **portion of the proceeds donated to nonprofit organizations or families in crisis**. The March 19th concert will be an initial fundraiser for T.I.E., for the purpose of purchasing a building, providing housing for the women and children served by their powerful restorative and transformative services.

This musical event will take place on **Friday, March 19, 2010** at the **Broad Street Cafe** in Durham, NC. The events for the evening include a 7 pm guest reception with selected menu, followed by a **live concert at 8 pm** where Ms. Helm will be joined by many of her **fellow faculty from the music department of NCCU, Ed Paolantonio, piano; Baron Tymas, guitar and Durham native, A.J. Brown, acoustic bass**. Guest performers include **Ira Wiggins, saxophone and flute, members of the NCCU Vocal Jazz Ensemble**. The evening will conclude with Helm autographing her CDs while guests enjoy the delicious menu of Broad Street Cafe. Public radio station, **WNCU 90.7 FM, (www.WNCU.org)** is one of the **promotional partners** onboard to support Helm's *Chronicles of a Butterfly: A Story of Transformation*. Spotlight Benefit Auctions will be the Auctioneer for this fundraising event on March 19th. (www.SpotlightBenefitAuctions.com).

Helm's fifth CD release, *Chronicles of a Butterfly*, will be received by each guest attending the event. This new CD release marks her return to recording after a six-year hiatus, her previous recordings reaching national top jazz chart positions, and receiving extensive national radio airplay and international critical acclaim. *Chronicles of a Butterfly* is a live recording, captured at Hayti Heritage Center of Durham in 2007, and is **produced by Branford Marsalis**. The recording features **pianist, Mulgrew Miller, bassists Neal Caine and John Price and guitarist Doug Wamble**. Helm has **dedicated this recording** to her mentor, the late **pianist/composer Andrew Hill**, who tapped Helm to write lyrics for his composition **Hermano Frere**, one of several compositions from a suite about the 9/11 tragedies. She sang **Hermano Frere** on tour with Hill upon his winning the prestigious Jazzpar Award in Europe. "Hermano Frere' is a song about our responsibilities to each other, says Helm, "and Andrew's many conversations about the wisdom of metamorphosis and transformation in the seasons of our lives was the impetus for the title "**Chronicles of a Butterfly**".

What: Lenora Zenzalai Helm, vocal jazz musician
Chronicles of a Butterfly: A Story of Transformation & T.I.E. Resource Centers Benefit Concert
When: Friday, March 19, 2010
Time: 7 pm guest pre-concert reception; **8 pm concert & raffle**; 9:30 pm CD signing
Where: Broad Street Cafe, Durham, NC 27701
Cost: \$45 (includes guest reception, concert, autographed CD, selected menu (additional dinner & full bar available)
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Helm's achievements in music have spanned 25 years garnering her inclusion as a subject of biographical record, since 2005, for Who's Who in America, Who's Who in American Women and Who's Who in the World. Lenora Zenzalai Helm is an award winning jazz vocal musician, composer, lyricist and educator with two decades of international acclaim. A former U.S. Jazz Ambassador for Southeastern Africa, she is a MacDowell Composer Fellow and the first Black female composer to win the Chamber Music America/Doris Duke Charitable Foundation's New Works: Creation and Presentation jazz composers award. Ms. Helm has toured with her group internationally, performed on prestigious jazz festivals and in jazz concert halls, and recorded with the biggest names in jazz. Her discography includes recordings of her own, and as a featured guest with Donald Brown, Ron Carter, Stanley Cowell, Antonio Hart, Andrew Hill, Dave Liebman and Branford Marsalis. This Chicago, IL native worked as a teaching artist for 20 years in New York City (previous to making Durham, NC her home) for Carnegie Hall, Brooklyn Philharmonic and Young Audiences of New York. Helm is on the music faculty at North Carolina Central University in Durham, NC teaching jazz vocal performance in NCCU's prestigious Jazz Studies program, and co-directing their NCCU Vocal Jazz Ensemble. Visit her online at www.LenoraHelm.com