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OBAP gifts free showing of *Hidden Figures* to 150 Memphis youth

Memphis (January 22, 2017) – The Organization of Black Aerospace Professionals (OBAP) will host more than 150 Memphis area youth, ages 13 – 18, for a private presentation of the biographical drama *Hidden Figures*, currently the number one movie in the country, at Malco Theatres' Paradiso location, Saturday, January 21st at 9:30am. Youth invited to participate in the free showing, which includes transportation, beverages, and popcorn, are recent participants in one of OBAP's youth-focused initiatives including the Boys to Men Workshop, Girls to Women Workshop and Aviation Career Education (ACE) Academy, each hosted annually at Wooddale High School in Memphis, Tenn.

“This is a valuable opportunity for kids from Memphis to see the intelligence, courage and strength of three African American women mathematicians from NASA who excelled against all odds. The undeniable contributions of Katherine G. Johnson, Dorothy Vaughan and Mary Jackson led to the first American astronaut's orbit of Earth and we believe seeing that level of commitment will be empowering for youth in our Project Aerospace programs,” Captain Albert Glenn, co-chair, OBAP Project Aerospace.

OBAP's complimentary showing of *Hidden Figures* is presented in partnership with the Memphis Belles, Memphis Blackhawks, National Black Coalition of Federal Aviation Employees (NBCFAE), Tuskegee Airmen Inc. and Taste of Aviation.

For more information and press credentials to attend please email press@obap.org.

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About The Organization of Black Aerospace Professionals (OBAP)

Founded in 1976, OBAP is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the encouragement and advancement of minorities in all aviation and aerospace careers. The robust, and diverse, membership is also committed to supporting aspiring aviation professionals through



scholarships, mentoring and training through its youth-focused initiative Project Aerospace. For more information, please visit our new website www.obap.org.