

ASPIRATIONS TO ACTIONS MOMENTS



Shareable Moment from Realize Bradenton

In our first conversation we affirmed that the work of Rich Harwood is in the DNA of our nonprofit and in our individual beliefs: Hope is a discipline | Optimism builds bridges | Public places + events help people to connect | Community building is important + sometimes messy.



Shareable Moment from Sarasota County HHS Innovation Squad

We had a great discussion around what “Here I am” meant to us and why it can be a struggle to say it publicly. We talked quite a bit about how much we need to build trust throughout our community to make change a possibility at all levels. We talked about the challenges to being able to build that trust, but everyone is hopeful and we will persevere in doing what is needed to make this a community where all are welcome and have access.



Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass: A Walk To Respect

Join The Patterson Foundation, in partnership with Westcoast Black Theatre Troupe, for **Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass: A Walk to Respect** – the original story of Stepping Forward!

You have the opportunity to attend a **FREE** performance of a new one-act play by Beth Duda, with original spoken word poetry by Cedric Hameed. The play depicts how Abraham and Frederick's relationship evolved from opposition to deep friendship. An experience not to be missed!

Ticket Price: Free, reservations necessary. Reserve your seats today.

[Wednesday, February 19 at 7:30pm – Sarasota](#)
[Thursday, February 20 at 7:30pm – Sarasota](#)
[Friday, February 21 at 10:00am – Manatee](#)

Continue the Conversation

A2A Moments is a weekly update of photos, moments of possibilities, feedback, and stories that book circles share with The Patterson Foundation.

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