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Advocating for the Advancement of Black People

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MEDIA ALERT

WHAT: **“THE DEMONIZATION OF BLACK SKIN AND THE BIRTH OF COLORISM” PART ONE - THE COLOR OF ACCEPTANCE: WHEN WHITE PRIVILEGE MEETS BLACK EXCELLENCE** featuring an engaging fireside chat with Award-Winning Screenwriter and Playwright Natasha Lewin

WHO: Presented by Brilliant Minds Collective

Hosted and moderated by International Energy Advisor, Jacqueline Khoury

WHEN: Wednesday April 28, 2021

5:30pm EDT/2:30pm PDT

WHERE: Live on FB and Zoom

Register for the FREE webinar at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/150838743743>

<https://www.facebook.com/BrilliantMindsCollective>

WHY: To educate, bring awareness, and create conversations as well as solutions. Racial identity is based on skin color not lineage or family ties. Society identifies people, classifies them, and opportunities are readily available based solely on the hue of their skin. This webinar will delve into the history of this mindset, how it has affected and divided Black people of all shades of colors (financially, mentally etc.), and how to turn this way of thinking into an opportunity to unify and empower the Black community.

ADDITIONAL INFO:

“THE DEMONIZATION OF BLACK SKIN AND THE BIRTH OF COLORISM”, hosted and moderated by International Energy Advisor, Jacqueline Khoury, kicks off on Wednesday April 28, 2021 at 5:30pm EDT with **PART ONE - THE COLOR OF ACCEPTANCE: WHEN WHITE PRIVILEGE MEETS BLACK EXCELLENCE**. Award-Winning Screenwriter and Playwright Natasha Lewin has always known that she could enter any room and be looked at as if she were a Caucasian woman. Instead, she chose to openly identify as an unapologetic Black woman. **PART ONE** of this webinar series is an engaging Fireside Chat focusing on Natasha’s journey from White Privilege to Black Excellence.

About Brilliant Minds Collective:

Brilliant Minds Collective (BMC) is a non-traditional, action driven Think Tank advocating for the advancement of Black People globally. BMC started organically as a group of mostly Black professionals from the breadth of the Diaspora who were looking to do something about the ongoing injustices against Black People.

As an action driven Think Tank, BMC strives to not only provide answers and information, but to partner with like-minded organizations and individuals and open doors for educated and experienced leaders, doers, and drivers to engage the community to make meaningful, lasting change socially, economically, environmentally and politically.

We are willing to break out of individual silos, engage in difficult conversations, share knowledge, exchange information, and take action. There’s an old African proverb that says, “If you want to go quickly, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.” This group is filled with brilliant minds who share an everyday commitment to create a better world for Black People by exploring opportunities which will become catalysts to drive permanent change.

About Jacqueline E. Khoury:

Jacqueline E. Khoury has more than 20 years of experience in business, with a focus on oil and gas development in emerging economies. She combines strong commercial and negotiating skills with a keen understanding of how political and cultural dynamics affect governance and the petroleum industry. Bringing a holistic approach to critical needs and opportunities, Ms. Khoury has advised three Presidents and six countries on implementation solutions while creating synergies between goals, objectives and sustainable protocols.

A Lebanese/Liberian born in Liberia and raised in New York, Ms. Khoury currently serves as a senior-level executive for a large international oil company and as a contributor to an internationally renowned think tank.

About Natasha Lewin:

Natasha Lewin is a former LA elected official and Homeless Liaison to Mayor Garcetti. She was the Managing Editor of High Times magazine, a touring musician, and the personal writer's assistant to Seth Hoffman, former CO-EP/head writer of THE WALKING DEAD. In 2017, Natasha won a National Endowment for the Arts scholarship for her dark comedy play, CHATTER. In 2019, Natasha wrote and directed CHATTER as a short film. It became a 92nd Academy Awards qualifier in 2020. In 2018, Natasha won the Inaugural Black List x Women in Film Feature Fellowship. In 2014, Natasha won the Inaugural Laugh Factory Comedy Ninja Film Festival for Best Comedy Screenplay. Natasha is the author of three books — one a New York Times' bestseller. She was the showrunner of a top fictional children's podcast, helmed by Randi Zuckerberg. Natasha's nickname since childhood is 'Shalom Homie' since she is Black and Jewish. www.chatterashort.com

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