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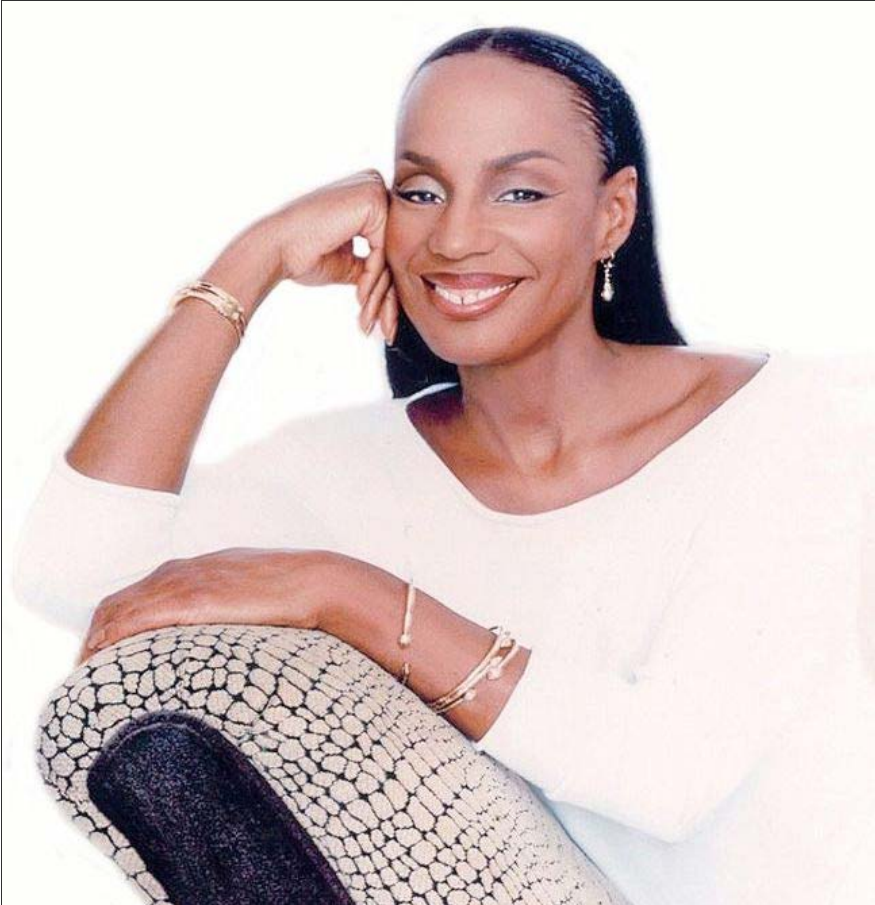
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Susan L. Taylor, former editor in chief of Essence magazine, will receive the 2014 Sankofa Freedom Award at a ceremony 10 a.m. Saturday at the Rudisill Regional Library, 1520 N. Hartford Ave.

The award, presented by the Tulsa City-County Library's African-American Resource Center, honors an individual who has dedicated his or her life to educating and improving the greater African-American community.

The award consists of a \$7,000 cash prize and an engraved medallion.

Taylor began at Essence as a freelance editor covering fashion and beauty soon after the magazine was founded in 1970. In 1981, she became editor in chief. Her "In the Spirit" columns for the magazine have been collected in three volumes.

Taylor now devotes much of her energies to such causes as the National CARES Mentoring Movement, which she founded in 2006; Future PAC, the first national political action committee devoted to providing a network of support and sources of funding for African-American women seeking federal and state-level political offices; and Shared Interest, a capital campaign to raise money to build housing in the rural areas of South Africa.

For more information about the Sankofa Freedom Award or the African-American Resource Center, call the Rudisill Regional Library at 918-549-7645, or go to tulsalibrary.org

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