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City of Pompano Beach

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Blanche Ely Historical Museum Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting  
1500 NW 6 Avenue  
Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>  
10:00 a.m.

A Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting of the historic Blanche Ely Historical Museum will be held on Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. The house is located at 1500 N.W. 6 Avenue.

The Blanche Ely historical home is an educational facility devoted to preserving, sharing and promoting the rich history, culture, and contributions of Blanche E. General Ely, an educator and humanitarian for African American children and teachers in Broward County.

The house will archive and research the history of African American communities in Pompano Beach, providing a forum for scholarship, historical overview and community participation through collaborative partnerships.

Designed to offer an abbreviated glimpse into the couple's professional and personal accomplishments, the inaugural exhibition has an extensive collection of photographs, letters, and artifacts celebrating the educational pioneers and community activists Blanche and Joseph Ely.

The Blanche Ely Historical Home is owned by the City of Pompano Beach and is on the Local Register of Historic Places. The City completed the renovations to the historic former home and is now opening the home to the public.

The museum will be free and open to the public on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.