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Featuring:

Dr. Sephira Shuttlesworth
Director, Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy

Dr. Raymond Arsenault
John Hope Franklin Professor of Southern History, University of South Florida, and author, Freedom Riders: 1961 and the Struggle for Racial Justice

Dr. Clayborne Carson
Professor of History, Stanford University, and Director of the Martin Luther King, Jr., Research and Education Institute

Thursday, February 26, 2015
8:00 AM - 10:45 AM
Omni Parker House
60 School Street
Boston, MA
Dr. Raymond Arsenault is the John Hope Franklin Professor of Southern History and the Chair of the Department of History and Politics at the University of South Florida, St. Petersburg. He is the author of four award-winning books, including *Freedom Riders: 1961 and the Struggle for Racial Justice* (Oxford University Press, 2006) and *The Sound of Freedom: Marian Anderson, the Lincoln Memorial, and the Concert That Awakened America* (Bloomsbury Press, 2009). His *Freedom Riders* served as the basis for the 2010 *American Experience* documentary *Freedom Riders*, which won three Emmys and a George Peabody Award.

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Dr. Sephira Shuttlesworth is Director of the Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy in Lansing, which is a member of the SABIS network of schools. She and her siblings integrated the Pope Elementary School in Jackson, TN and is a former teacher. Sephira earned a Bachelor’s degree in Elementary Education from Union University, a Master’s degree from the University of Cincinnati, and an received an honorary Doctorate degree from the Global Evangelical Christian College and Seminary in Montgomery, AL. She is the widow of the late Birmingham, AL Civil Rights leader, the Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth.

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Dr. Clayborne Carson is Professor of History at Stanford University and Director of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Research and Education Institute. Under his direction, the King Papers Project has produced seven volumes of *The Papers of Martin Luther King, Jr.*, a definitive edition of King’s speeches, sermons, correspondence, publications, and unpublished writings. He is also the author of numerous books on the Civil Rights era, including *In Struggle: SNCC and the Black Awakening of the 1960s* and *Martin’s Dream: My Journey and the Legacy of Martin Luther King Jr.* A Memoir.

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This event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by Thursday, February 19th to Brian Patterson at 617-723-2277, ext. 217 or bpatterson@pioneerinstitute.org