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## **Black Folks' Wisdom**

Following the award-winning anthology of quotations, *Wisdom for the Soul: Five Millennia of Prescriptions for Spiritual Healing*, Gnosophia Publishers has released October 2007, *Wisdom for the Soul of Black Folk*. This collection is drawn from the collective wisdom of Africa and its diaspora, from Khemetic times to the present, organized chronologically and by subject. Featuring the wisdom of sages, slave narratives, the literature of resistance, protest and self-assertion, through to reggae philosophy and New Age spirituality, the contribution of Black thinkers to world culture has been as life-affirming and phenomenal as it is unknown. This anthology brings to light much that is timeless, profound and inspirational, universally applicable to the human condition.

"We are truly blessed to have access to this treasury of voices speaking so eloquently of ancient wisdom and contemporary understanding. The ancestors must be extremely gratified to behold the assemblage of truth-seekers and teachers who have shared their insights with us," comments Malidoma Somé, Author of *Of Water and the Spirit* and *The Healing Wisdom of Africa*.

Caribbean authors include Frantz Fanon, Aime Cesaire, Edouard Glissant, George Lamming, Wilson Harris, Neville, Kamau Brathwaite, Derek Walcott, Earl Lovelace, Caryl Phillips, Patrick Chamoiseau, Jamaica Kinkead, Edwidge Danticat, Fred D'Aguiar and Dionne Brand. Of particular interest to Jamaicans is the inclusion of quotations from Robert Wedderburn and Mary Seacole, both voted among 100 Great Black Britons, Marcus Garvey, Claude McKay, Peter Abrahams, Stuart Hall, Dennis Scott, Bob Marley, Rex Nettleford, Mutabaruka, Nalo Hopkinson, Michael Lee Chin, and pioneer aviator Barrington Irving among others.

*Wisdom for the Soul of Black Folk*, first edition, trade paperback, 6 x 9, 736 pages, ISBN 978-0-9773391-5-0, \$19.95, is available online at <http://www.wisdomforthesoul.org> along with related quotation card sets, and to the trade from Baker & Taylor, Ingram, and New Leaf Distributors. The title has been well received at the Baltimore Book Festival and Black Authors Showcase in Washington DC. It will be shown at the Miami Book Fair International, November 9-11.

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