



**Macy's Celebrates Black History Month**

By Demetria Irwin, *Amsterdam News*

*Editor's note: New York Amsterdam News is the one of the oldest and most influential black newspapers in the United States. We are reprinting this article from the February 9, 2017, online edition. We encourage you to consider the Macy's events celebrating Black History Month, and to visit www.amsterdamnews.com.*

Retail giant Macy's has a slew of celebrations planned all over the US throughout February to commemorate Black History Month. Retail locations in New York, Atlanta, Los Angeles, Chicago, and four other cities will host events from a diverse roster of talent. Macy's is famous for its elaborate Thanksgiving Day parade in New York and the iconic holiday window decorations at its flagship store. With this multicentric, multiday ode to black culture, Macy's is proving that their talented event planning team can tackle larger issues with just as much finesse and creativity. "Macy's values the diversity of all of its customers, and inclusion and respect are at the

heart of our core values. We are happy to join with our associates and customers nationwide in honoring the legacy of African American achievement during Black History Month and beyond," said Kristyn Doar-Page, Macy's vice president of Diversity and Inclusion Strategies.

Actor Jay Ellis (*Insecure*), restaurateur and chef Marcus Samuelsson, *The Read* podcast co-host Crissle West, and Grammy-nominated artist BJ the Chicago Kid will participate in events all over the country. Rapper/actor/spoken word artist Saul Williams is the national ambassador for Macy's monthlong celebration.

"I am very glad Macy's is furthering the discourse around artistic self-expression in black culture. As a performer who uses words to bring attention to social justice causes, I feel it is paramount to stimulate engagement and awareness through our words and our art," said Williams.

In New York and Washington, DC, millennial West will be moderating discussions with local artists. "I am really looking forward to engaging with young people and sharing stories of how black culture has influenced my personal and

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professional journey," said West, whose weekly podcast *The Read* offers an irreverent rundown of pop culture news. Some of the participating celebrities are offering more than just words. "I am thrilled to be celebrating

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