

## Ms. Susan Burton, the Modern-Day Harriett Tubman, Discusses Her Memoir at Eso Won Books in Los Angeles on May 23, 2017

Burton, founder of A New Way of Life Re-Entry Project and author of "Becoming Ms. Burton," continues her national book tour with a stop in Southern California

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What: Today, Tuesday, May 23, 2017, Eso Won Books will host a discussion and book signing event to celebrate the recent launch of Social Justice Advocate/Activist Ms. <u>Susan Burton</u>'s memoir, "Becoming Ms Burton: From Prison to Recovery to Leading the Fight for Incarcerated Women."

Renown TV Host, Journalist and Book Author Tavis Smiley gave Ms. Susan Burton the highest display of respect by kissing her hand and praising her accomplishments.

Where: Eso Won Books 4327 Degnan Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90008 323-290-1048

When: May 23, 2017 at 7 pm

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Ms. Susan Burton on The Daily Show with Trevor Noah

The event is open to the public.

Opportunities/Photos: Interview with Ms. Susan Burton and book signing visuals

Who: Ms. Burton is the founder and executive director of <u>A</u> <u>New Way of Life Re-entry Project</u>. As a formerly incarcerated woman, she understands the challenges people, especially women, face when leaving prison. After more than 20 years in

and out of the criminal justice system, Ms. Burton was unable to find work, housing or addictionrecovery treatment. In spite of those obstacles, Ms. Burton mercifully gained freedom and sobriety in 1997 and made it her life's work to help other women who walk in her shoes.

"The guard told me, 'You'll be back' and I came back. I came back and led women up out of that place," said Ms. Burton on The Daily Show with Trevor Noah. Watch the entire show here: <a href="http://www.cc.com/episodes/162ngi/the-daily-show-with-trevor-noah-extended---may-17--2017---">http://www.cc.com/episodes/162ngi/the-daily-show-with-trevor-noah-extended---may-17--2017---</a>

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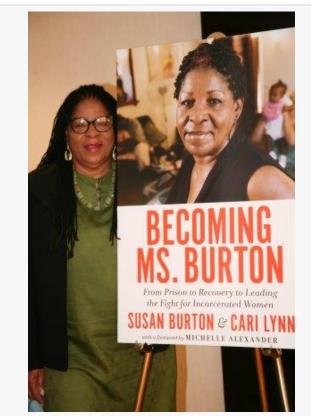
Becoming Ms. Burton is her heartwrenching journey to bring real change to the narrative about mass incarceration. Her crusade is likened to a modern-day Harriett Tubman. "I know that what I do rescues people, allows them to have an analysis of what's happening in their lives and breaks them free of the criminal justice system," said Ms. Burton on the Tavis Smiley Show.

Ms. Burton continues to take her message on the road with a national book tour and making the rounds with media appearances coast to coast. "I do the work because it needs to be done, so I picked up the banner to help women escape the prison system," said Ms. Burton who spent two decades in and out of prison. "I found the support, the services, and treatment in Santa Monica, California and brought it to South Los Angeles."

As a result of her relentless work, she has garnered numerous accolades and awards including named as a CNN Hero, the recipient of the James Irvine Foundation Leadership Award, and being named by the Los Angeles Times as one of the nation's 18 New Civil Rights Leaders.

Ms. Burton has helped more than 1,000 women out of the system.

This is a media friendly event. For press credentials, talent submission consideration, an interview request or speaking engagement for Ms. Burton,



Social Justice Advocate Ms. Susan Burton makes an appearance at Eso Won Book Store in Leimert Park to sign her best-selling memoir, "Becoming Ms.Burton."



Ms. Burton shares her amazing story of triumph on the KTLA Morning News.

contact Marie Lemelle, publicist for ANWOL at 213-276-7827 or info@platinumstarpr.com. To view Ms. Burton's book tour dates, go to <u>http://becomingmsburton.com/events/</u>

## About A New Way of Life

Founded in 1998 by CNN Top Ten Hero Susan Burton, A New Way of Life provides housing and support to formerly incarcerated women for successful community re-entry, family reunification and individual healing. ANWOL, based in South Los Angeles, California, also works to restore the civil rights of formerly incarcerated people and empowering, organizing and mobilizing advocates for social change, civic engagement and personal transformation. She is nationally known as an advocate for restoring basic civil and human rights to those who have served time. Among the many

honors and recognition bestowed on Ms. Burton, she is the recipient of the James Irvine Foundation Leadership Award in 2014. In 2015, the Los Angeles Times named her one of the nation's 18 New Civil Rights Leaders.

In an effort to continue to bring social justice issues to the forefront, JustUS Voices | Storytelling for Change, a multimedia story project, is a partnership between Burton and a New Way of Life Re-entry Project and strategic communications firm, McKinney & Associates. The initiative embraces advocacy through the power of storytelling, interviews, testimonials and commentaries, blogs, video vignettes and social media.

A collaboration between Burton and award-winning author Michelle Alexander resulted in an annual Justice on Trial Film Festival, which is set for September 2017 at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles.

http://justiceontrialfilmfestival.net/

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Please be sure to connect with Ms. Burton and A New Way of Life Re-entry Project on Facebook, Twitter and YouTube!

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YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/user/ANewWayOfLifeReentry

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The Daily Show's Trevor Noah welcomes Ms. Burton to his show and the ratings went through the roof.



Activist/Book Author Michelle Alexander dubbed Ms. Burton as the modern-day Harriett Tubman.

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