Innovative Symposium
Columbia Celebrates Black History Makers in Art

By Ernest Beck

After years of struggle and considerable hurdles, "Black private black visual arts," black art is visual arts organization that promotes the efforts of many organizations features. That sen-

A benchmark for aesthetics and established a celebration African cul-
labor projects for the Depression to subsidize initiatives during the

Works Progress Administration, a federal initiative during the Depression for non-European physical features.

Today, said Brathwaite, thanks to the efforts of many organizations like Kamoinge, as founded in 1959 and is the country's oldest visual arts organization that promotes the idea that "black art is flourishing." One example, he added, is the rise of serious black artists and arts venues in places like Williamsburg and Fort Greene in Brooklyn.

Speakers at the conference, which also took place at the Metropolitan Museum of Art and included the presentation of Black History Makers brochure, took up the theme of how black communities have embraced their own culture. Homie Brathwaite of the African Arts Society and the Curators of African Art and black people as the Arts, to tie them to what was going on in Africa.

"We came together to deal with the arts, to tie them to what was going on in Africa," Brathwaite said of the time. "We had the idea; you can't divorce art from the struggle." As a result, "artists were no longer the 'good old days,'" he said.

"To this end, Brathwaite has organized several exhibitions, including "The Majesty of African Motherhood" and "African Sculpture: Symbols of Culture," which presents masks, animal and human figures and objects of spirituality. Concluding her remarks, Brathwaite urged the participants to continue their efforts to perpetuate the black community through culture. "We have the tools and the power to express ourselves in this world," Bigham said.

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noting that the majority of the world's Muslims already live under open systems. "Democracy is not opposed to reli-

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doing the greatest hard-

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Senate Mulls a Student Role in Complaints Procedures

By Thomas Mathewson

COLUMBUS, Ohio 3 Jan. 28, the University Senate worked over a student resolution calling for the creation of a new student body grievance committee in Arts and Sciences. That resolution called for the creation of a new student body grievance committee in Arts and Sciences.

The resolution, presented by Sen. William T. Dyer (Sen. Sci. & Tech.), received the close attention of President Lee C. Bolinger, who supported efforts for some of its six "whereas" clauses and the proposed implementation of the "resolved" clause. Was the resolution mandating a University-wide grievance procedure? Is such a mandate within the Senate's powers?

The resolution led through tangled constitutional terrain. The power to discipline students or fac-

ity generally rests with the deans of Columbia schools. But early in its history, the Senate, with Trustee concurrence, developed a University-wide system of rules of conduct governing picketing, ra-

les and political demonstrations that is now chapter 44 of the statutes. The Senate also estab-

lished the University's "grievance procedure" to handle complaints of dissatisfaction with faculty and administration. The Senate's task force has reached no conclu-

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The Senate's role in research officers' activities is a matter of debate. Some faculty members believe that the Senate should have a greater role in research officers' activities. Others believe that the Senate's role should be limited to providing advice and guidance.

A joint subcommittee of the Senate Affairs and Faculty Affairs committees is now reviewing the resolu-

tion and will bring a new ver-

sion for action, possibly on Feb. 25. In other business, the Senate heard from Sen. James Applegate (Tenn. A&I/NI), cochair of a task force created last spring to study a student proposal to bring ROTC back to Columbia Applegate said the task force met with various conclu-

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