You are invited to attend the next event in the Year of Cuba at Kennesaw State University.

**EVENT:** Opening Reception for The Cuban Superheroes Project Exhibit

**TIME:** 5:00-7:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** ZMA Fine Arts Gallery, Wilson Building, Kennesaw Campus

**DATE:** Tuesday, February 25, 2020

**EXHIBIT DESCRIPTION:**

From the 16th century to the 19th century, the more than one million West Africans forcibly transported to Cuba through the transatlantic slave trade carried their traditions to the island. To this day, African-derived deities, such as Orishas, serve as guides, protectors, and agents of change. The Orishan pantheon can be aligned with the universal concept of superheroes, which are powerful beings with supernatural transformative abilities.

The Cuban Superheroes Project, a collaboration between Kennesaw State University printmaking, illustration and art history students, pays homage to resilient practices that survived the Middle Passage. Through research, reflection and interpretation, participating students generate personal visual vocabularies to explore the concept of the superhero in dialog with Afro-Cuban traditions.

Please share this announcement with interested community members, students, faculty and staff. For more information visit: [www.KSUYearofCuba.com](http://www.KSUYearofCuba.com)