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Bust of Clarence Muse to Be Unveiled on Sunday

A bust of legendary actor, composer and singer Clarence Muse, a longtime Perris Valley resident, will be unveiled Sunday, Feb. 5 during a program honoring him and his contributions to the film industry and Perris community.

A panel discussion examining Muse's life and accomplishments will accompany the unveiling of the bust. The ceremony takes place from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the community room of the Cesar E. Chavez Public Library, 163 San Jacinto Avenue.

The program is sponsored by the Dora Nelson African-American Art & History Museum and the Perris Valley Historical & Museum Association.

Muse appeared in more 150 movies over a career that spanned more than 50 years. He arrived in Hollywood during the silent era of motion pictures and was one of the founders of the Screen Actors Guild. After spending most of his career in Hollywood, Muse moved to the Perris Valley where he became an active member of the arts community.

He also founded the City's "Christmas Hallow" program, which gives holiday gifts to children of all backgrounds.

Muse died in 1979 at age 90.

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