

REDEFINE Holds First Panel Discussion



CLEVELAND—REDEFINE panelist Ora Reed emphasizes her delivery as she speaks at a recent group discussion held at Delta State University.

“REDEFINE Roundtable: Delta Communities and the Arts,” featured a panel of four leaders in the arts education field. Panelists included Alphonso Sanders, Chair of Fine Arts and Director of the B.B. King Recording Studio at Mississippi Valley State University; Lenagene Waldrup, Delta Arts Alliance; Malcolm White, Executive Director of the Mississippi Arts Commission (MAC); and Ora Reed, vocal soloist and arts enthusiast.

The panelist responded to several questions prepared by the REDEFINE committee, with David Dallas, Executive Director of the Bologna Performing Arts Center and REDEFINE member serving as moderator. About 35 people attended the inaugural event held in the east lobby of the H.L. Union on the Delta State campus.

A community group established through volunteerism, REDEFINE is dedicated to creating harmonized communities through embracing cooperative relationships, acknowledging similarities and differences, celebrating those similarities and differences, recognizing one’s gift(s), honoring self-expression and appreciating individualized perspectives.

REDEFINE’s next panel discussion is planned for January. Topic possibilities include Health Care, Housing or Education.

For more information on REDEFINE or to become involved, please call the Office of University Relations at (662) 846-4675 or the Center for Community and Economic Development at (662) 846-4339.

(Vision)

Creating harmonized communities

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- in celebrating similarities.
- in acknowledging differences.
- in recognizing one’s gift(s).
- in honoring self-expression.
- in appreciating individualized perspectives.

(Mission)

REDEFINE, a community group established through volunteerism, is dedicated to the promotion of understanding and respect across diverse populations. Champions for engagement and application, REDEFINE provides dialogue, education, advocacy and awareness in safe, trusting environments. REDEFINE is motivated by the need for change and committed to being that catalyst.