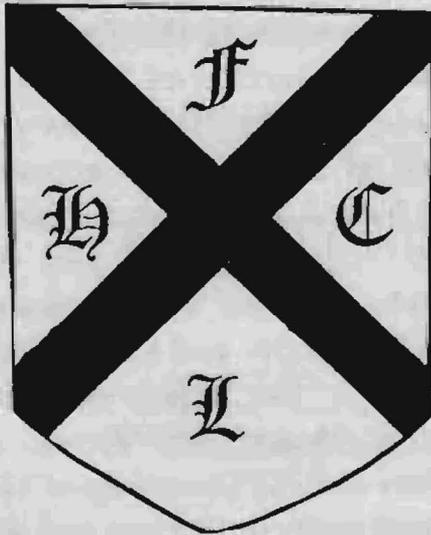


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**Richard Bailey**

**Unforgettable: The Music of Nat King Cole,  
W. C. Handy, and Dinah Washington**

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**3:00PM**

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Dr. Richard Bailey is the research and writing specialist at the Center for Aerospace Doctrine, Research and Education at Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery. He holds the bachelor of science and master of education degrees from Alabama State University. He also received the master of arts and doctor of philosophy degrees in American history from Atlanta University and Kansas State University, respectively. Dr. Bailey was awarded a joint fellowship from Cleveland (Ohio) State University and the University of Massachusetts to travel and study in Europe and Africa.

Dr. Bailey speaks regularly at universities, grade schools, federated clubs and churches. His topics have focused on Alabama or American history, genealogy, and computers. Dr. Bailey appears frequently as a radio and television talk show guest.

Former Governor George Wallace appointed Dr. Bailey to the De Soto Commission to retrace the route of the Spanish explorer through Alabama. Dr. Bailey was awarded the Governor's Award for Volunteerism in 1992 and the National Achievement Award in 1995 by Maxwell Air Force Base.