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> the most militant, anti-white black nationalists of the 1960's Black Power movement. An advocate of Black Cultural Nationalism, Baraka supported the rejection of all things white and western. He helped

found and direct the influential Black Arts movement which sought to move black writers away from western aesthetic sensibilities and toward a more complete embrace of the black world. Except perhaps for James Baldwin, no single figure has had more of an impact on black intellectual and artistic life during the last forty years.