

Haitian Network Group of Detroit

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FESTIVAL BOOKLET



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Bèl Bagay Lakay
"Beautiful Things from Home"
Haitian Arts & Crafts Festival



This activity is supported by the Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs Minigrant Program, administered by CultureSource.

20TH ANNIVERSARY

Haitian Network Group of Detroit

July 27th & July 28th | 2019
Farmington Riley Park and Sundquist Pavilion

SCHEDULE | JULY 27TH

All the activities listed below will take place in the Sundquist Pavilion.

6:00pm Exhibitors & food booths open

6:00pm - 6:30pm Opening ceremony

6:30pm - 8:30pm Musical Performance

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Fashion Show - **Soledad Couture**

9:00pm - 9:30pm Krik? Krak!

by **Charlot Lucien** Master Storyteller

9:30pm - 9:50pm Artists presentation/Sponsor
acknowledgement

9:50pm - 11:00pm Kompa under the Stars (Adult Dance) &
DJ Music - **Fritz Momplaisir**

HNGD is always looking for new members. Membership is open to all, regardless of nationality or ethnic background.

For more information,
please visit our website: www.haitiannetworkdetroit.org

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SCHEDULE | JULY 28TH

All the activities listed below will take place in the Sundquist Pavilion.

10:00am Exhibitors & Hospitality Booths Open

10:00am - 11:45 am DJ Music - **Fritz Momplaisir**

11:45am - 12:30pm Artists presentation/Sponsor Acknowledgement

12:30pm - 1:15pm Children Art Workshop with **Samuel Augustin**

1:15pm - Community Children Dance with **Jinette Chapman**

1:00pm - 2:30pm Storytelling for children - **Charlot Lucien**

2:30pm - 3:00pm Storytelling for adults - **Charlot Lucien**

2:30pm - 3:30pm Drum Performance

Geraud Dimance & Marwan Amen-Ra

3:30pm - 4pm Dance Performance by **Gérald Joanis**

4:00pm - 4:30pm Rara Parade

5:00pm - 5:30pm Artists presentation/Sponsor acknowledgement

5:30pm - 6:30pm Children Kite Workshop with

Siem Lafleur, Wilbert Fils-Aimé, Yonel Ismaël

6:30pm Community Children Dance presentation with **Jinette Chapman**

6:45 - 7:30pm Jwèt Lakay Nou- Children games

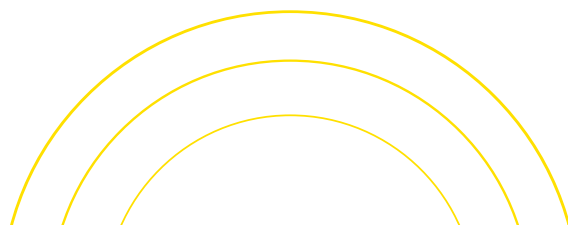
7:00pm Raffle Drawing (Royal Caribbean Cruise for 2)

7:30pm - 8:30pm Musical Interlude - **Enos Fabre**

8:30pm - 9:00pm Cultural Presentation

9:00pm - 10:00pm (Closing) DJ Music

Fritz Momplaisir



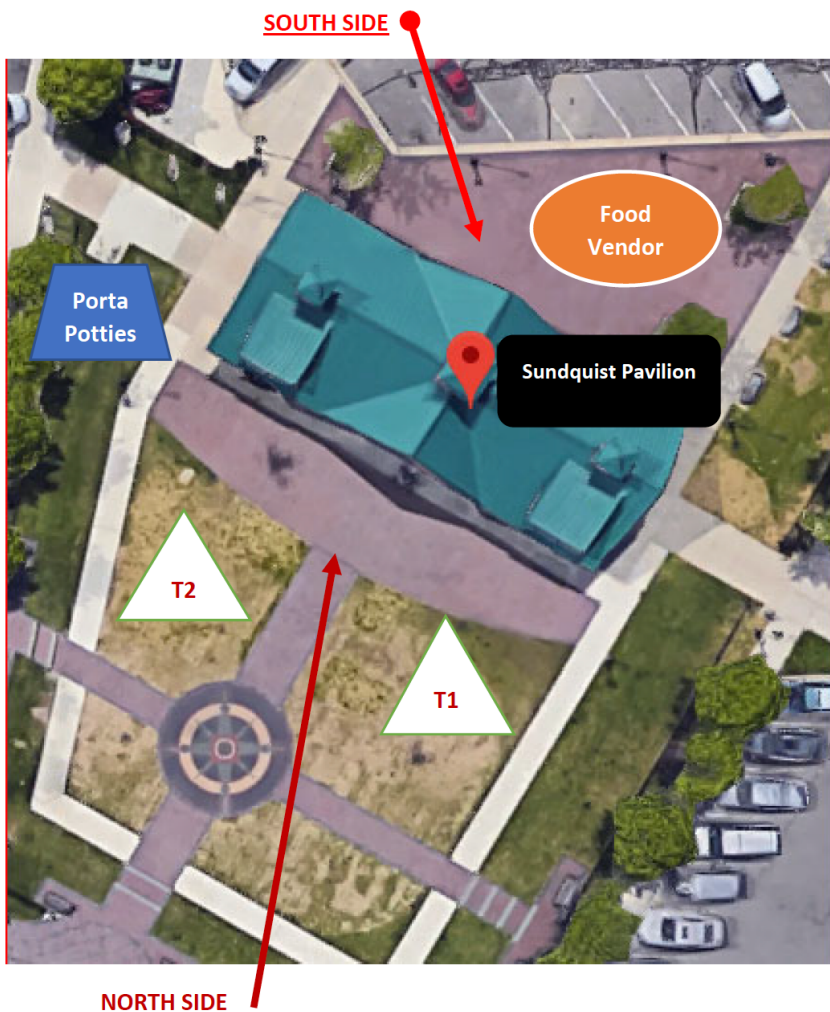
EXHIBITORS

Our exhibitors hail from Haiti, Indiana, New York and Canada. Please visit them to view the unique products they have to offer.

Let your senses explore and experience all the **Beautiful Things** inspired by the Republic of Haiti.

Roberson Zéphir (Haiti) Artisan
Michael Brudent (NY) Artist
Gina Samson (NY) Artist
Samuel Augustin (NY) Artist
Jacques Toussaint (Montreal) Artist
Jacmel Arts Center (Haiti) Artist/Artisan
Indy Convergence (Indiana/Haiti) Artist/Artisan
ArtisaNetwork (NY/Haiti) Artist/Artisan

RILEY PARK AND SUNDQUIST PAVILION



- **SOUTH SIDE OF PAVILION**
 - Food Vendor: "Bon Manje Lakay"
 - Hand Washing Station
- **SUNDQUIST PAVILION:**
 - Entertainment
 - Children Activities
 - HNGD Information Table And Raffle
- **TENT #1 - (T1)**
 - Michael Brudent (Art)
 - Gina Samson (Art)
 - Samuel "Sammo" Augustin (Art)
 - ArtisAnetwork (Artifacts)
- **TENT #2 - (T2)**
 - Indy Convergence (Art/Artifacts)
 - Jacmel Arts Center (Art/Artifacts)
 - Roberson Zéphir (Artifacts & clothing items)
 - Jacques Toussaint (Art)
- **ROYAL CARIBBEAN DREAM DESTINATION STATION**
- **EAST SIDE OF PAVILION:** Porta Potties

Map & Exhibits

Gina Samson is the featured artist for the 2019 Bèl Bagay Lakay printed material. Her work reflects the rich cultural heritage and vibrant colors of Haiti and the Caribbean, as well as her experience as an immigrant in the New York City urban environment. She regularly exhibits in the New York Metropolitan area, and her work is featured in several corporate and private collections.

In her view, artwork reflects the importance of creation and imagination in everyone's life. Working primarily in painting, collage and drawing, she aims to create works that incite reflection, and bring to the viewer an appreciation of the pride, resilience and cultural achievements across the African diaspora.

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The **ArtisaNetwork** supports skilled artisans in various countries through preservation of local traditions, innovation techniques, and linkage to global markets.

Their network includes over 3,000 artisans from communities in Haiti, India, Tunisia, Madagascar, Guatemala, Mexico, Cuba, Nepal, and France. Most of the work being presented at the 2019 Bèl Bagay Lakay Festival is from a group of artisans in Noailles, Croix des Bouquets (Haiti). The products are made from recycled oil drums and can be used for home decor as well as functional use. They will also include some accessories/jewelry/home gifts from various artisans in Port-au-Prince.

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Indy Convergence is an international artist residency program focused on interdisciplinary collaboration and the intersection of arts in community. IC serves the Near West neighborhoods of Indianapolis and maintains programs internationally in Jacmel, Haiti and London, Ontario. Indy Convergence's collaborations with Jacmel Arts Center (SAJ) and Sa-K-La-K-Wel Community Center focus on artist exchange and peer to peer mentorships where artists from both countries are both teacher and student during the exchanges. Indy Convergence also keeps an extensive collection of art work from SAJ in Indianapolis that is available for purchase year round.

Website: www.Indiconvergence.org

Samuel "Sammo" Augustin has a Master of fine Arts in painting and a Bachelor of fine Arts and drawing from Brooklyn College in New York City. He has taught painting and drawing for 20 years in New York City public schools. In addition to his experiences with students in grades 6 through 12, he has built his studio and gallery and has developed special projects that include murals on a large scale.

His paintings are an amazing mix of abstraction and allegories with a unique message. They have been exhibited in galleries nationally including in the main lobby of the United Nations building in New York. His best known mural piece is an allegorical work depicting Haiti's destruction after the 2010 earthquake, and rebirth as seen through the eyes of nine Haitian artists.

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Michael Brudent was born in Port-au-Prince and at a very early age, he embarked on his calling into decorative arts and attended "L'Ecole des beaux Arts". In 1968, Brudent was discovered by artist Dorcely who taught him the basics of design and acrylics. Michael Brudent has proved himself to be an exceptional Haitian artist and is known for masterful brush strokes and sophisticated blending of colors for abstract works that celebrate Haiti's history and culture. He currently owns and manages "Solfimi Art Gallery" in Haiti, as well as his studio in Elmont, NY, where he mentors the next generation of artists, and partners with community organizations to promote Haitian arts and culture. He is a prolific artist, and well recognized as one of Haiti's modernist masters. **Website:** www.solfimi.com

Jacmel Arts Center

The Jacmel Arts Center grew out of a collective movement of artists that had been working together under the name FOSAJ since 2003. These artists united together in an effort to reinvent themselves and breathe new life into the once vibrant arts scene of the city which is known as Haiti's artistic capital. Operating in the historic Boucard & Co building, which was severely damaged in the earthquake of 2010, the artists recommitted themselves to restoring the space as a formidable hub of Haitian artistic innovation. It is now a space by artists, for artists, both visual and performing, to gather, inspire one another, and create together. They are using their craft and vision to reimagine the power of art to liberate Haiti's people.

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Jacques Toussaint was born in Haiti. At a very young age he became interested in painting. A current resident of Quebec, he has participated in many art expositions in Canada, the United States, Europe and Haiti. He draws his inspiration from his home country using the people and scenery.

Complete stories are told in the oil paintings that he creates, mostly by the purity of color and the realistic nature captured in the eyes of his subjects. The paintings of Jacques Toussaint pay homage to man and womankind. This artist takes it upon himself to find wonderment in everything. We can look upon his work as a therapy for the soul.

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Roberson Zéphir resides in Haiti. Having been born into a family of artisans, early on he acquired the skills necessary to seduce his fans with a style that is unique to him, regardless of the medium that he uses to channel his talent: painting, shoemaking or sewing.

Roberson's work is a fusion of art from the Kasai region and Haiti that resulted from a stay in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. He also uses a special technique to transform leather, beads, exotic fabrics and recyclable materials and enhances women's fashion by designing sandals, necklaces, purses, hats and clothing items.

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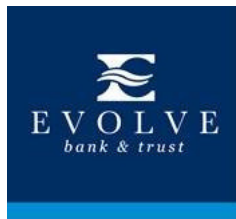
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