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Best, Ontario Minister of Consumer Services; & Councillor Michael Thompson, City of Toronto.





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A Spectacular Star-Studded, four-course evening honouring 50 YEARS OF JAMAICA'S INDEPENDENCE & Our Contributions to Canada

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#### **Jamaica 50 Toronto Celebrations**

On midnight, August 5, 1962, thousands of Jamaicans packed the National Stadium in Kingston, Jamaica, to witness the final lowering of Britain's Union Jack and the unfurling of the black, green and gold, signifying the birth of an independent Jamaica.

The pride experienced by Jamaicans on Independence Day, Monday, August 6, 1962, is being replicated 50 years later in 2012 as Jamaicans worldwide celebrate the golden anniversary of independence.

In Toronto, a group of Jamaicans – the Jamaica 50 Celebration Inc. Committee – under the patronage of the High Commissioner for Jamaica, Her Excellency Sheila Sealy Monteith, and Jamaica's Consul General to Toronto, Seth George Ramocan – has planned a series of festivals and events in the areas of visual, literary, performance and culinary arts to celebrate the island's vibrant cultural heritage. Under the banner Jump for Jamaica, the year-long program will highlight the positive contributions Canadians of Jamaican heritage have made to Canada.

Jamaica 50 Celebration is an exciting calendar of events and installations showcasing Jamaican ingenuity – from the arts to academia to athletics. Jamaica 50 Celebration boasts the best of the best in Jamaican-born personalities, second-and third-generation Jamaicans, friends of Jamaica, renowned experts and artistes from Canadian communities and around the world.

We invite all Canadians and the world to experience our Jamaica 50 Celebration events and to partner with us to celebrate in the warm, vibrant, one-love spirit that is Jamaica.





## **ABOUT US**

#### **Jamaica 50 Steering Committee**

The Jamaica 50 Celebration Inc. is a not-for-profit organization that has established a Steering Committee for Toronto and the Greater Toronto Area to plan an exciting and wide-ranging program of events and activities. The Committee's goal is to showcase the outstanding contributions of Jamaicans in Canada; to foster tourism to Jamaica; to encourage youth of Jamaican heritage to be better informed and to support Jamaica; and to provide a legacy to Jamaica and Canada through charitable and other social and cultural initiatives. The Toronto Committee will also collaborate with various community organizations in celebrating the 50th anniversary.

These are the persons responsible for planning and bringing you Jamaica 50 Celebration Events in **Toronto:** 

#### The Executive

Ioe Halstead – President Trevor Massey – Vice-Chair + Secretary Pamela Appelt - Director Tiffany Harris - Treasurer





Co-Chairs Joe Halstead & Pamela Appelt

#### **Jamaica 50 Steering Committee**

Joe Halstead & Pamela Appelt – Co-Chairs, Steering Committee Paula de Ronde, Jennifer Walcott, Darrell McCalla - Co-Chairs, Art + Literature Gail Scala, Diana Burke, Sandra Whiting – Co-Chairs, Marketing + Sponsorship Kamala-Jean Gopie – Chair, Publication Nadine Spencer – Co-Chair, Communications + Sponsorship Cayla Allain, Tka Pinnock - Co-Chairs, 4WD (Youth) Trevor Massey, Dr. Avis Glaze – Co-Chairs, Future Leaders Institute Sandra Whiting, Audrey Campbell - Co-Chairs, Gala Diana Burke - Chair, Online Presence & Golf Tiffanv Harris, Anne Marie McLeod – Co-Chairs, Legal & Administration Kevin Ormsby, Sandra Whiting – Co-Chairs, Performing Arts Nadine Mendez, Olive Smith - Co-Chairs, Multi-Faith Service

#### **Project Management**

Len D. Henry- Brand Director Marsha Brown-Volunteer Coordinator Michelle Gordon-Secretary Donald F. McLeod, The McLeod Group-Legal Advisor





### **CHARITY**

#### Scholarships through Jamaican Canadian Association (JCA)

The Jamaican Canadian Association (JCA) is a registered non-profit organization committed to identifying and responding to the needs of the Caribbean/African community. This includes community outreach as well as responding to the educational needs of this community through the establishment of a Scholarship Program. The purpose of the Scholarship Program is therefore to provide financial assistance to worthy students from the Caribbean/African community, who are pursuing post-secondary studies in Ontario Universities/Colleges.





"The JCA Scholarship Program provides financial assistance to worthy students from the Caribbean/African community, who are pursuing postsecondary studies in Ontario Universities/Colleges." **Audrey Campbell,** President JCA & Gala Co-Chair

Proceeds benefit...

#### **JCA Scholarship Program**

Net proceeds from the celebrations will be donated to the Jamaican Canadian Association Legacy Endowment Fund (Registered Charity # 8905 34068RR0001).

#### Former Jamaican Canadian Association (JCA) Scholarship Recipients







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## <u>IAMAICA LAND WE LOVE GALA</u>



Presented By



On Saturday, August 11, 2012, The Jamaica 50 Committee, in partnership with the Jamaican Canadian Association, presents the Jamaica Land We Love GALA – a spectacular, four-course evening that warmly welcomes all Canadians to celebrate and feast on the splendour, rhythms, heart and soul that is Iamaica.

**Location:** Toronto Metro Convention Centre (South building)

Full Course Evening: The '62 Reception, Dinner in Hope Gardens, Jamaica Jubilee, The After Party - \$500.00, \$350.00 and \$175.00 benefiting Jamaica Canadian Association Endowment Legacy Scholarship fund – Tax receipt available for a portion of each ticket.

Show Only: The '62 Reception, Jamaica Jubilee, The After Party - \$50.00 to \$75.00

#### **Appetizer:** The '62 Reception

Flash back to a time when Jamaica was heady with high hopes and optimism - sweet, swinging, 1962 - the year Jamaica became an island nation. Everywhere, the air was explosive with fireworks and celebration. Jubilant Jamaicans flooded streets and squares with a rainbow of smiling faces; drums pounded like escalated heart beats and jazzy mento trumpets blared over orchestras. And with ceremony, pomp, parades, pageantry and the raising of the symbolic black, gold and green, Jamaica was independent!

We kick-off the Jamaica Land We Love GALA with The '62 Reception – a media-graphic black and white snapshot peek into the euphoria of 1962. On arrival, guests are swept up in a sensory feast of taste, sight and sound.



CBC's Dwight Drummond and Anne-Marie Mediwake



## JAMAICA LAND WE LOVE GALA



#### **Entertainment: Jamaica Jubilee**

The GALA's intimate Hope Gardens setting unfolds into the Jamaica Jubilee theatre and an additional 1,000 show-only guests join over 1,500 dinner guests to celebrate Jamaica's golden, 50th jubilee. The floating in-the-round 100' long wood carving of the map of Jamaica with its floating mobile of vertical, multi-media projection screens become prime focus. Lights, cameras, action - visuals, music, dance, spoken word - a jaw-dropping flow of top Jamaican and Canadian stars and personalities take centre stage in a spectacular showcase of sight and sound – the honouree, our beloved Jamaica. The show is created and seamlessly woven by veteran producer Len D. Henry.

#### The décor:

Famous Jamaican streets, signs and intersections, where the crowds would have gathered to cheer its independence: bars, lounges, stores, celebration installations and projections. At the epicentre, guests step into a time tunnel of displays, a foretelling of what's to come in the future – JAMAICA IN CANADA – the events, milestones and achievements of Jamaicans in Canada - Arts, Athletics, Business, Community Service, Health Sciences, Leadership, Media & Entertainment, Technology & Innovation.

#### **Main Course: Dinner in Hope Gardens**

All that glitters is golden – for dinner, guests are transported into the GALA's garden of hope Nice-afresh, fragrant and scenic dining experience decorated through a creative collaboration between top Jamaican guest designers of the Jamaican Horticultural Society and partnering Canadian garden suppliers.

Four exquisite, lush gardens, inspired by Jamaica's iconic Hope Gardens, partition 200 gold-gilt tables, complete with their towering centrepieces into intimate Jamaican regions: Cornwall, Middlesex North and South, and Surrey. GALA dinner guests are afforded the opportunity to be proudly seated as if right at home in Jamaica. They feast on a fabulous menu of scrumptious, island gourmet fare created by Canadian-Jamaican celebrity-chef, Selwyn Richards.

CBC Television's Dwight Drummond and Ann-Marie Mediwake host over 1,500 dinner guest through a lush program of special presentations and top entertainment toasting Jamaica and honoring great Canadian-Jamaican achievements.

"We invite you to share this special evening as we present the very best of us!"

Gala Media Spokesperson | Co-Chair, Sandra Whiting swhiting@jamaica50.ca







#### **OFFICIAL + COMMUNITY EVENTS...There's something for everyone.**

2012 will be a jam-packed year of events honouring Jamaica's 50th – all over the world. In Canada, the Jamaica 50 Celebration Calendar of Events is a series of free and ticketed events produced by the Jamaica 50 Celebrations Toronto Committee and combined with a series of select events planned and produced by partnering community organizations located in the Greater Toronto Area.

#### 4WD

4WD On-Line Writing Contest | Mar. 17 -Apr. 15 Mystic Effect Fashion Show | Mar. 25 Jam for Jamaica | Apr. 21 4WD Sports Launch | May 6 Afro chic Cultural Art Exhibit | June 4WD Short-Video Competition | September

#### **Art + Literature**

Jamaicans in Canada: When Ackee Meets Codfish Launch | Apr. 12 Indigo Books Stores | Apr. 14 A Book Sinting - A Different Book list | June An Evening with Malcolm Gladwell | May 28 Circa 1962 - Circa 2012 | Art Exhibit | Jul. 12 -Sep. 9 Authors at Harbourfront Reading Series | Sep. 19

#### **Iamaica Golf**

Constant Spring Golf Club | Apr. 22 Manchester Golf Club | Apr. 23 Caymanas Golf + Country Club | Apr. 28 Cinnamon Hill Golf Club | Apr. 25

#### Jamaica Land We Love Gala

The '62 Reception | Aug. 11 Dinner in Hope Gardens | Aug. 11 Jamaica Jubilee | Aug. 11

#### Charities

Charities | jamaica50.ca The People Bridge Charitable Foundation | peoplebridgecharity.org JCA Scholarship Awards Program | jcaontario.org/scholarship Ev'ry Mickle Mek a Muckle

#### **Promotional**

Summer Sinting Launch | May 21 Jamaica 50.ca Online Talent Contest | May 21 Jamaica 50 National Launch | Mar. 22 "Jump for Jamaica" International Anthem | Buy it onjamaica50.ca + iTunes "Jump for Jamaica" Music Video | Buy it onjamaica50.ca + iTunes Flag Raising | Aug. 5 Multi-Faith Service | Aug. 5 Independence Day | Aug. 6

#### **Performing Arts**

Jamaican Rhythms | Jun. 28 Jambana | Aug. 6 Skating Party | December





## **CONTACT**

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For more information, please visit: www.jamaica50.ca

## Thank you for your consideration

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## **GALA SPONSOR REGISTRATION FORM**



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