

JAMAICA 50 DIASPORA CALENDAR OF CELEBRATORY EVENTS

March 2012 - December 2012

(PLEASE NOTE THAT EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE)

DATE	CELEBRATORY EVENTS	VENUE	CONTACT	EMAIL	WEBSITE
March					
March 10	SANDWELL YOUNG PEOPLE CREATIVITY & LIFESTYLE SHOW	Birmingham, UK	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
March 18	IN HONOUR OF JAMAICAN MOTHERS	Sheffield, UK	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
March 22	NATIONAL PAN CANADIAN LAUNCH	Ottawa, CA	Jamaican High Commission Ottawa (613) 233-9311	hc@jhcottawa.ca	
March 31	8 th Annual Peacock Soiree, ft. Freddy McGregor	1111 Parrot Jungle Trail, Miami ,FL	Telephone: 212-265-2550		www.theafj.org

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April					
April 13- 15	Meet Jamaica: Jamaica 50 Celebration	Florida, USA	Telephone: 832-316-3290		www.JamaicaFoundation ofHouston.org
April 14	INTERNATIONAL GOSPEL CONCERT	Leeds, UK	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
April 25	Jamaica Intuitive Art, Launch Reception – 2 nd Annual Museum Studies Exhibit	FIU South Campus, 10975 SW 17 th Street, FL	Telephone: 305-348-6086		
April 26 -28	PENN RELAYS	Pennsylvania, USA	VP Record Distributors Inc. Patricia Chin Tele: 718-425-1100		www.vprecords.com
April 28	ART & RUM SHOW	Bratenahl House, Washington DC	Embassy of Jamaica, Washington		
May					
May 4- 5	FLOWER MART	Washington Ntl. Cathedral , DC	Embassy of Jamaica, Washington		
May 14	Launch of Jamaica 50 SKN Essay Competition	St. George's Anglican Church, St. Kitts	Carol Phillips Jamaica Kittitian (JamKit) Association Tel : 869-466-1733	jjamkit@gmail.com cphillo@cwjamaica.com	

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May 17	J AUSACC 7 th Annual Recognition & Installation Luncheon	Jamaica USA Chamber of Commerce, FL			www.jamaicasachamber.org
May 17	Launch of Jamaica 50 SKN Essay Competition	Charlestown Methodist Church Hall, Nevis 10:30am	Carol Phillips Jamaica Kittitian (JamKit) Association Tel : 869-466-1733	jjamkit@gmail.com cphillo@cwjamaica.com	
May 20	UNIFEST ft. 50th Anniversary of Independence of Jamaica and Trinidad & Tobago	Vincent Torres Park, Lauderdale Lakes	Telephone: 954-730-8885	info@gcacoalition.com	www.unifestlive.com
May 26 & 27	Best of the Best Concert	Miami, FL	Patricia Chin Tele: (718)425-1100		
May 28	9th Annual Palm Beach Jerk Caribbean Culture Festival	Florida , USA	Full-A-VybezInc Mr. Damian Tater	fullavybez@gmail.com	
May 28	CULTURAL HERITAGE OF JAMAICA SHOWCASE	Toronto, CA			

June

June 2	JAMAICA DAY	Leeds, UK	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
June 2	Jamaica Youth for Christ Jubilee Prayer Breakfast	Knutsford Court Hotel, JA 8:00am	Rev. Dexter Johnson	jamaicayfcl@gmail.com	

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June 3	Caribbean Sunday Featured speaker: Beverly Julal, Columnist, The Philadelphia Tribune	51 st & Spruce Streets PA, USA 3:00pm	Yvonne O'Garra (215) 471-6018	info@hamphilly.org	
June 6	WORL D REGGAE DAY	TBA, NY	VP Record Distributors Inc. Patricia Chin Tele: 718-425-1100		www.vprecords.com
June 6	The Young, Gifted & Black Entrepreneurial Awards	404 NYC 10 th Avenue at 33 rd Street, New York 10001	Carl Gray The NetLinkz Group, Inc	ygbawards@gmail.com	www.ygbawards.com
June 10	Launch of Sam Sharpe Centre	TBA, UK	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
June 11- 22	ART EXHIBITION	Washington, DC	Embassy of Jamaica, Washington		
June 12	Heart Beats of the World Charity Son of Jamaica Concert	NY, USA	VP Record Distributors Inc. Patricia Chin Tele: 718-425-1100		www.vprecords.com
June 16	Jamaican Diaspora UK National Conference	TBA, UK	Jamaican High Commission London Tel: 0207 808 8002		
June 17 -20	The Jamaica Netball Association International Series with South Africa	NISC, JA	The Jamaica Netball Association Tel: 968-0625		
June 19	Youth Empowerment Conference	Wolverhampton, UK	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		

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June 21	JAMAICA 50 Ladies Day at ROYAL ASCOT	United Kingdom	Marcia Bulgin- Samuels Mar Mar & Associates Ltd. Tel : 447940298370	marciabulgin@yahoo.com	www.mamarmarketing.com
July					
July 1	Rhythm & Blues – All Day Events	Queens NY, USA	VP Record Distributors Inc. Patricia Chin Tele: 718-425-1100		www.vprecs.com
July 4	Right Honourable Norman Manley's Birthday	TBA, JA			
July 4- 8	20th Anniversary of the International Festival of Life	Chicago, USA	Ephraim Martin	www.martinsinterculture.com	
July 4- 8	International World Music Day	Chicago, USA	VP Record Distributors Inc. Patricia Chin Tele: 718-425-1100		www.vprecs.com
July 8	Masters Cricket Match (Jamaica vs. England)	Kensington Oval, UK	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
July 7	About Leadership : Presents the Future Leaders Institute	Toronto, CA			www.jamaica50th.com
July 12	Exhibition Of Jamaican Art	Toronto, CA			www.jamaica50th.com
July 13	Jamaica 50 SKN Essay Competition	St. Kitts & Nevis 5:00pm	Carol Phillips Jamaica Kittitian (JamKit) Association Tel : 869-466-1733	jjamkit@gmail.com cphillo@cwjamaica.com	

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July 20	Dance Fest	TBA, UK			
July 20	University of Florida Caribbean Student Association 50th Anniversary Gala/Banquet	TBA, FL	Diane Archer-Banks	DABanks@coe.ufl.edu	
July 21	Jamaica 50 National Church Service Independence Charity Ball & Young Achievers Award Presentation	Westminster Cen. Leeds	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
July 21	The Jamaican Association (Bermuda) Independence Celebration banquet	Hamilton Princess Hotel, Bermuda	Traddie Simpson	jamaicanassociationofbermuda@gmail.com	
July 21 - 22	Fox Chase Cancer Conference (African/Caribbean)	30 th /Market Streets, PA	Dr Camille Ragan 215-728-1148	camile.ragin@fcc.edu	
July 25	Jamaica 50 JAAA Benefit Concert	TBA, UK	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
July 27 -29	Culturama-Mello go roun'	Orlando, Tampa, Coral Spring FL	jamaicaaware@gmail.com		
July 28	The 5th Annual Black Gold & Green Street Jam	Miami, FL	Trilogy Productions	trilogylimited@yahoo.com	
July 29	Emancipation Park : Thanksgiving Service	Emancipation	Lisa Grant Tele : 926-6312	LGrant@nht.gov.jm	

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		Park, JA			
August					
August 1	Jamaica Diaspora Day of Prayer and Fasting	Birmingham, UK	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
August 1	2012 Jamaican Diaspora Day of Prayer and Fasting	Miami, FL		www.intercessoryprayerministry.org ipmiorg@aol.com	
August 2	Jamaica in the Square	Victoria Square, Birmingham	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
August 3	Taste Jamaica	Victoria Square, Birmingham	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
August 3- 6	Lighting of the Miami Towers, Downtown Miami in the National Colours of Jamaica	Miami, FL		info@jamaicacgmiami.org	
August 4	JUMP FOR JAMAICA: Scotia bank Caribbean Carnival	Toronto, CA			
August 4	Black Enterprise Expo Bristol West Indian Parents and Friends Association Independence Ball Jamaica Independence Dance	New Bingley Hall, Bristol, UK Sheffield, UK	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
August 4	Jamaica's 50th Anniversary Independence	Windjammer Ball	Joycelyn Connage-Johnson	jicgtmo@yahoo.com	

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	Celebration Gala	Room, US Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay CUBA			
August 4	African Caribbean Support Organization Northern Ireland Street Party	Lower Crescent, Belfast	Raquel McKee joe Ricketts	rainbowstorytelling@hotmail.co.uk	
August 5	AN EVENING OF ELEGANCE	Toronto, CA	International Best Practice Network (IBPN)	ibpnetwork@gmail.com	
August 5	African Caribbean Support Organization Northern Ireland Church Service	12th Fl, Europa Hotel, Belfast	Raquel McKee joe Ricketts	rainbowstorytelling@hotmail.co.uk	
August 5	Jamaica 50 Independence Church Service	Sheffield, Nottingham, Gloucester, Huddersfield	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
August 5	Consulate General of Jamaica's Ecumenical Church Independence Church Service - St. Luke's Episcopal	Christian Life Centre, Fl 435 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, GA	Tele: 404-297-7696	jaconsulateatl@vinmartinllc.com	
August 5	INDEPENDENCE CHURCH SERVICE	Dunbarton Chapel, DC	Embassy of Jamaica, Washington		
August 5	Official Launch for Jamaica St. Kitts and Nevis Celebrations	St. George's Anglican Church Hall (Old Girl's School) Victoria Road, St. Kitts	Carol Phillips Jamaica Kittian Association (JAMKIT)	cphillo@cwjamaica.com	
August 6	FLAG RAISING CEREMONY	Toronto, CA			

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	MULTI FAITH CHURCH SERVICE				
August 6	FLAG RAISING CEREMONY ACROSS THE UK	United Kingdom	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
August 6	Tampa Flag Raising Ceremony	14013 N. 22nd Street, Tampa FL		jamaicaaware@gmail.com	
August 6	African Caribbean Support Organization Northern Ireland Exhibition of Jamaica's Journey & Culture	Crescent Arts Centre, Belfast	Raquel McKee joe Ricketts	rainbowstorytelling@hotmail.co.uk	
August 11	INDEPENDENCE GALA: Jamaica land we love	Toronto, CA			
August 11	Jamaican Night of Comedy	ECCB Auditorium, St. Kitts	Carol Phillips Jamaica Kittian Association	cphillo@cwjamaica.com	
August 13-14	Jamaica Day at the Garvey Cultural Open Air performance at City Hall	City Hall, Edmonton, CA	Honorary Consul for Jamaica in Edmonton Mrs. Coleen Neita Tel: 780-735-2167	ceneita@shaw.ca	
August 15	2014 World Cup Preliminary Competition International Friendly	TBA	Jamaica Football Federation Tel : 929-8036, 926-1182	jamff@hotmail.com	www.jamaicafootballfederation.com
August 16	Jamaica 50 UK Awards Ceremony & Gala Dinner	Emirates Stadium, UK	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
August 17	Marcus Garvey's Birthday	Joseph Carter Park, Ft. Laud. FL	Telephone: 954-981-1176	rootzfoundation@gmail.com	
August 25 -27	Agriculture & Sustainable Development Cluster	TBA, JA	Sir Arthur Lewis Institute UWI		
August 25	Appleton Jamaican Dance Party	Tennis Club, Victoria Road, St. Kitts.	Carol Phillips Jamaica Kittian Association	cphillo@cwjamaica.com	

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August 26	I Love Jamaica Day	Birmingham, UK	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		

September

September 6	COMMEMORATION OF BILATERAL RELATIONS	Toronto, CA			
September 7 - 6 14 - 16	ASHE Performing Arts Company Season Performance " Lift Up Jamaica"	TB A, JA	Jomain McKenzie	ahseperforms@gmail.com	www.aheperforms.com
September 19	Harbourfront Reading Series	Toronto, CA			
September 24-25	Meet Jamaica: Inbound Jamaican Trade Mission (JAMPRO)	Miami, FL			www.tradeandinvestjamaica.org
TBA	Bilateral Anniversary Reception- Concert Jamaica Military band, Roundtable Discussion	Ottawa, CA	Jamaica High Commission		www.jamaica50ottawa.com

October

October 27	Coalition for Jamaica Education Fundraising	Baltimore Pike; Clifton Heights, PA 19018 7 p.m. - 11 p.m.	Andrew Batchelor 215-681-1078	soundofpraises@yahoo.com	
TBA	National Heroes Day Dionner/Dance	TBA, Ottawa CA	Jamaica High Commission		www.jamaica50ottawa.com

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November					
November 3	Jamaica Basic Schools Foundation Ball	TBA, UK	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
November 9-11	Meet Jamaica:5th Annual Downtown Miami River Walk Festival & Boat Parade	Miami, Fl	Jamaica, Urban Tour Host (Miami) miamiriverwalk@aol.com Tel: 305-416-6868		
November	Meet Jamaica: Grace Jamaica Jerk Festival	Markam Park, Sunrise , FL	Jamaica Jerk Festival USA Tele : 786 -361-1103	info@jerkfestival.com	www.jerkfestival.com
November 10	Miss Jamaica UK pageant	TBA,UK	Jamaican High Commission London Tele: 0207 808 8002		
December					
TBA	Jamaica 50 Christmas Ball	TBA, United Kingdom			

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