

AFRIKÀBA

2011 is the United Nations 'International Year for People of African Descent'. This fits neatly with the ethos behind Afrikàba, which is to showcase high quality work from artists and cultural practitioners with African and Caribbean heritage.

What does this accolade for 2011 mean? In showcasing the strengths of a culture, we learn of the individuals within it and recognise the contributions each culture makes to society as a whole.

As part of this year's Afrikàba festival, on Oct 15th Jean Cadet, onetime member of the UN Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery, will speak about Global Citizenship and an end to child slavery. We have also organised two other debates, one at Hastings Town Hall on Oct 17th with Professor Gus John and locally elected representatives debating multiculturalism; and another on Oct 18th examining 'The Truth about Foreign Aid' at Sussex Coast College.

What else is taking place?

This year Afrikàba along with the Legacy Film Festival, Images of Black Women Film Festival and Electric Palace Cinema, we are working together to feature films that showcase the work of African and Caribbean film makers.

For the under fives there are lots of storytelling sessions at various locations and there is also a storytelling workshop for adults on Oct 22nd at Bullett Coffee House in Robertson Street. During the half term holidays, try a family workshop where you can learn how to make a Brazilian musical instrument or create a self portrait using mono-printing techniques.

And where would we be without music? From the launch on Oct 8th at Sussex Coast College, the Oxjam Family Social at the Beacon on the West Hill where we'll be fundraising for Oxfam, to HKBFINN at Electric Palace and then the finale with Nana Tsioboe and guest artist Zara McFarlane, we've got you covered. If music be the food of love, play on Maestro!

Look through the programme and take your pick, it's filled with activities the whole family can enjoy. These events are heavily subsidised, giving you the opportunity to enjoy them free or at a fraction of the cost. If you'd like to get to all the events but can't decide where to spend your money, then buy a Festival Pass. To save even more money, take advantage of the 'Early Bird' offer - you get around 40% discount off the standard prices, plus you get two free tickets to Gwyneth's African Party Night, which takes place every month.

As with all live events, the programme can change at any time without notice, so for up to date information visit www.afrikaba.co.uk or contact the Hastings Information Centre on 01424 451111.

Enjoy the festival!

Gwyneth Wint
(Afrikàba Creative Director)

Festival Pass - Special Offer!

Visit Hastings Information Centre by Oct 12th and get a Festival Pass for as little as £19. Normal pass price £26. Includes entry to all film screenings and music events. Plus as a bonus, you'll also receive two free tickets to one of Gwyneth's African Party Nights (can be used anytime before January 2012).

Food and entry to workshops is not included.

The total price for all individual paid events costs over £30.

AFRIKÀBA EVENTS

Sat 1st October
11:30am - 2pm

Afrikàba @
Waterstone's with
Motivational Coach
Rasheed Ogunlaru



Rasheed Ogunlaru, leading life coach, motivational speaker and business coach. Clients include entertainers, entrepreneurs, politicians and professional organisations. He regularly appears in media on life, work and relationship issues, including the BBC and ITV News. Rasheed will be offering a limited number of FREE 15 minute in-store consultations. Contact Waterstone's to book yours.
Free
Waterstone's

Mon 3rd October
10am - 11.30

Afro-Brazillian stories
with Dandê.

Hannah Bicat & Emmanuel McDonald
Free
The Bridge

Wed 5th October
1:30 - 3.30pm

Jean Cadet on Global
Citizenship



Jean-Robert Cadet on the death of his mother unwittingly became a 'Restavek', a child slave. He was physically, verbally,



There are lots of free events on offer, however, we are raising money for Oxfam and for the Restevev charity in Haiti. If you feel able, please leave a donation at the marked event.

sexually and emotionally abused. Despite this, he went on to finish high school, join the United States army, graduate from university, get married, start a family and earn a master's degree in French literature. He has been featured on Oprah, 60 Minutes, and CNN. Jean-Robert Cadet is an advocate for children enslaved in the Haitian Restavek system and is dedicated to ending child slavery. Come and hear his inspirational talk.
Free / Donation
Sussex Coast College

Sat 8th October
4:30 - 7.30pm

Launch



Launch event featuring Angela Wynter (of Eastenders fame) in the diary of Precious Syrona Williams. Using her love of Ska music Precious takes you on a musical journey through mid 50,s Jamaican fashion and language, culminating in a performance of songs that awaken your senses to a music that touched many a people's spirits. Afro-Caribbean food and snacks on sale
Free / Donation
Sussex Coast College

Mon 10th October
10 - 11.30am

African Stories and
percussion with Nana
Tsioboe

Free
The Bridge

Wed 12th October
9:30 - 11.30am

Caribbean Storytelling
with Lorna Hamilton
Brown (MBE)



Free
Silverdale Children's Centre

Wed 12th October
8 - 9:45pm

Film Screening - The
Story of Lovers Rock
96 minutes, cert U



Tells the tale of an era and its music, 'romantic reggae' that defined a generation. Combining live performances, interviews from key figures and winningly funny sketches. The film paints a fascinating and compelling picture of an influential, yet hitherto undocumented, moment in time.

£6, £5
Electric Palace

Sat 15th October
11:30am - 2pm

Afrikàba @
Waterstone's with
Sandra Agard 'The
Book Doctor' writing
prescriptions and
telling stories

Plus HKBFINN, poet and musician performing and signing copies of his latest CD 'Light in the Shade of Darkness'.

Free
Waterstone's

Sun 16th October
3 - 7pm

Oxjam Family Social

An afternoon filled with fun, music, laughter and Afro-Columbian band Pollito Boogaloo. Bring your friends, family, musical instruments and leave a donation.
Adults £3.50, Children £1.50
The Beacon

Mon 17th October
6:30 - 8pm

Africa Debate -
Multiculturalism?....
When Cultures Collide!

What does multiculturalism mean today? Has it failed? Who has it failed? What do the recent riots in the cities signify? Does it represent a breakdown in our society? Who and what does David Starkey's comment reflect? Come and share your opinion. Panel members include Professor Gus John, Cllr Jay Kramer, Cllr Mathew Lock.
Free
Town Hall

Tues 18th October
6:30 - 8pm

Africa Debate:
'The Truth about
Foreign Aid'
- Student led

East Africa is faced with a humanitarian crisis the size of which Europe and the rest of the world can barely fathom. In July of this year, David Cameron pledged that by 2013, the UK would spend 0.7% of its national income on foreign aid. Should richer nations bear any responsibility for what happens in poorer countries? Do you have an opinion or an experience to share? Come along and take part. Led by Pestalozzi student, Kwondelani Nthaka.

Free
Brighton University in
Hastings

Wed 19th October
6:45 - 8:30pm

Film Screening
+ Q&A



A showcase of some of the best short-films featured at the Images of Black Women Film Festival www.imagesofblackwomen.com Followed by Q&A with film director(s).

Free
Brighton University in
Hastings

Thurs 20th October
10 - 11.30am

Rap Stories for children
With Mrisi Wilson
Free
Broomgrove Community
Centre

Sat 22nd October
12noon - 2pm

Workshop - How to tell
stories your children
can't wait to hear!

£5
Bullett Coffee House

Sat 22nd October
7.15 for 8pm start

Film Shorts & Live
Performance with
HKBFINN

An evening of spoken word and live music interspersed with short films about life. Have you ever had a movie soundtrack at your fingertips? Have you ever been able to reach out and touch the music? Live Performance with HKB Finn, spoken word artist with a difference. He explores connections between cultures and music and combines elements of Jazz, Hip Hop & Reggae in a unique blend. With Poetry and occasional Raps he covers topics from Love to Spirituality creating incredible soundscapes that examine our collective roots.
£6/£5
Electric Palace

Sun 23rd October
2:30 - 6pm

African Superheroes
Day



This animation festival for 6-60 year olds feature a variety of African-themed cartoons which tell tales of; Magical Nigerian women warriors, Anansi the West African Folk Hero, The story of Ogun and Oshun, Teenage black superheroes and more
Adults £3.50, Children £1.50
Electric Palace

Tues 25th October
10 - 11.30am

Afro-Caribbean Stories
with Sandra Agard

Free
Children's Library

Wed 26th October
10:30am - 12.30pm

Family Workshop:
Create an Afro-
Brazilian handheld
shaker

See Workshops section

Wed 26th October
1.30 - 3.30pm

Learn an Afro-Brazilian
song and try out the
instruments - Family
Workshop

See Workshops section

Thurs 27th October
1 - 4pm

Cartoon Comic Book
Workshop



See Workshops section

Thur 27th October
10am - 12noon

Children's Film
screening

Free
The Bridge

Sat 29th October
11am - 4pm

Exhibition

This exhibition highlights work that took place with students, schools and artists. For a list of the schools involved visit www.Afrikàba.co.uk/schools-workshops.
Free
Sussex Coast College

Sat 29th October
11am - 3pm

Stories within me

See Workshops section

Sat 29th October
12noon - 2pm

Capoeira Masterclass

See Workshops section

Sat 29th October
12:30 - 2:30pm

Print a Portrait &
Postcard Portraits

See Workshops section

Sat 29th October
3 - 3:30pm

Capoeira Taster

See Workshops section

Sat 29th October
6 - 10pm

Finale Concert with
Nana Tsioboe + guest
artist Zara McFarlane



Nana Is a master of percussion. His musical roots lie in Ghanaian Hi-Life, the brass and percussion led hybrid that became Africa's first distinctive pop music genre in the 1940s and 50s. He has worked professionally with a vast range of musicians from traditional African music through to jazz and pop. including Oumou Sangare, Fela Kuti, Paul McCartney, Andy Hamilton, Ali Farka Toure, David Murray and Nick Mason (of Pink Floyd).



Zara McFarlane is one of the UK's hot new young contemporary jazz singers. Zara's appeal is likened to that of singers such as Jill Scott, Erykah Badu, Cassandra Wilson and Dianne Reeves.

£10, £12, £30 family ticket

Delicious, authentic Afro-Caribbean food will be on sale.

Sussex Coast College

See over for Workshops,
Storytelling, Community
Businesses and Venue
details.

Remember:
you can always find us at
www.afrikaba.co.uk

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OCTOBER 2011
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WORKSHOPS

Sat 22nd October
12noon - 2pm
How to tell stories your children can’t wait to hear!
Come and learn how to tell stories that will leave your children inspired and wanting more.
£5
Bullett Coffee House

Weds 26th October
10.30pm - 12:30pm
Family Workshops: Create an Afro-Brazilian handheld shaker
Use a weaving technique to create a traditional Afro-Brazilian handheld shaker. This is used in Capoeira, and appears throughout Africa & Brazil as a percussive Instrument in its own right. Family workshop, all ages and abilities. Booking essential - call 01424 451052.
Hastings Museum

1.30 - 3:30pm
Learn an Afro-Brazilian song and try out the instruments
Dance, martial art, playful ‘conversation in movement’, music and song... Capoeira is a beautiful game with an inspiring history. This African-Brazilian art form will challenge your body, open your heart and keep you singing as you walk down the street! Learn the basic moves, partner work, and have a go in the ‘roda’ (circle).
Hastings Museum

£3.50 per session or attend both the above workshops for just £5

Thurs 27th October
1 - 4pm
Cartoon Comic Book Workshop for 13 – 17 year olds
Team up with your mates to create your very own comic book characters. Everyone gets a *Mister Who* goody bag with the best comic book team receiving a *Mister Who* T-shirt, comic, poster and promo CD. Learn the basics of illustrating, character design and draftsmanship as well as plot, script writing and character building. Booking essential - call 01424 451052.
£3.50
Hastings Museum

Sat 29th October
11am - 3pm
Family Workshop: The Story Within Me (oral histories)




What stories do you have to share about your life and experiences? Bring a photo or any item you feel illustrates a part of your journey and tell us the story behind it. By joining in you will help start uncovering some of the hidden histories of African and Caribbean communities in Hastings. Your voice will be part of the archive for generations to come!
Free
Sussex Coast College


12noon - 2pm
Capoeira Masterclass
A workshop designed for people who have already learned some Capoeira. The training will be followed by a roda (the circular space in which this Afro-Brazilian game is played). Intermediate level. Sussex Coast College. To book call 07970 245 804.
Free
Sussex Coast College

12:30 - 2:30pm
Family Workshop: Print a Portrait & Postcard Portraits
Participants will use monoprinting techniques to create a portrait of themselves or another person and explore the subtleties of this basic printing method to creative and surprising results. All levels welcome, just drop in.
Free
Sussex Coast College

3 - 3:30pm
Family Workshop: Capoeira Taster
A family drop-in Capoeira taster for adults and children. This is a special chance to try out a beautiful, cultural and fun art form at a beginner's level delivered by professional and experienced instructors. This will be followed by a roda, which is open to all, either to participate or for the curious to simply watch, absorb and enjoy! All levels welcome.
Free
Sussex Coast College

With these final workshops and evening concert at Sussex Coast College we say goodbye to you for another year. We hope you enjoyed what we had on offer and look forward to seeing you again next year!

African & Caribbean Artists in Hastings schools
This year, the Afrikàba team worked in close association with Hastings Borough Council, East Sussex County Council Creative Partnerships (Sussex & Surrey), Hastings Academy and St Leonards Academy in offering an opportunity to 11 artists with African and Caribbean heritage to work in local schools during Black History Month. The aim of which, is to promote diversity, inclusion and celebration of cultural heritage. The image featured here is the work of one of these artists, **Shirley Nette Williams**.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Fri 7th October
7:30 - 11pm
Gwyneth’s African Party Night


Everyone’s welcome to this social evening with DJs playing great music. If you love African Music; Hi-Life, Reggae, Soukous, Rumba & Latin vibes, then you’ll rave about our African Party Nights. Takes place every month.
£6.50 in advance, £8 on door
The Roomz
Contact Hastings Information Centre on 01424 451111 for tickets.
partynighthastings.co.uk

8th October
11am - 3pm
The stories within me
What stories do you have to share about your life and experiences? Bring a photo or any item you feel illustrates a part of your story or journey and tell us the story behind it. If you join in you will help us to start uncovering some of the hidden histories of African and Caribbean communities in Hastings and your voice will be part of the archive for generations to come!
University of Brighton in Hastings
Sarah Friend, 01273 644606
s.j.friend@brighton.ac.uk

Sat 8th October
7:30 - 11:45pm
FACE (Friends of Africa and Caribbean in England) Curry Evening and Disco
FACE invites you to a Curry Evening and Disco to raise funds for the Sickle Cell Society. Great music, delicious food and a glass of wine or juice.
£10, Children (5-16years) £5
Pett Village Hall
Mandy 07708 479362, mandycurtis@gmail.com

Sun 9th October
3 - 5:30pm
Hastings Got Culture


Hastings Got Culture bringing young people together beyond difference of culture, race and religion. The event will include: talent competition, world fashion show and an art project.
Free entry / free snacks and drinks
Concordia Hall
timjmiller@onetel.net
www.hastingsinterfaith.org

Every Sun in Oct
1 - 3:30pm
Lynda Murray’s Jazz Shenanigans
Sultry Jazz Saxophone playing music of the black masters.
Food and Bar 12 - 4pm
Pomegranate
Jo Poulton, 01424 429221, jo@pomegranatehastings.co.uk

STORYTELLING EVENTS

Mon 3rd Oct, 10 - 11.30am
The Bridge
Dendê - Hannah Bicat & Emmanuel McDonald
Afro Brazillian

Mon 10th Oct, 10 - 11.30am
The Bridge
Nana Tsiboe
African Stories

Wed 12th Oct, 9:30 - 11.30am
Silverdale Childrens Centre.
Lorna Hamilton-Brown
Caribbean Tales

Sat 15th Oct, 11:30am - 2pm
Waterstone’s
Sandra Agard + HKBFINN
The Book Doctor, children’s stories + Spoken Word Poetry & Percussion

Thurs 20th Oct, 10 - 11.30am
Broomgrove Community Centre
Mrisi Wilson
Rap stories

Sat 22nd Oct, 12noon - 2pm
Bullett Coffee House
Sandra Agard
Storytelling Workshop For Adults

Tues 25th Oct, 10 - 11.30am
Children’s Library
Sandra Agard
Caribbean Stories

See listings overleaf for more details.

COMMUNITY BUSINESS LISTINGS

Mobile Chocolate Workshop
The Artisan Chocolate Workshop provides chocolate training courses and products to would be and existing chocolatiers to help you produce high quality handmade chocolates. We come to you. With our fully equipped mobile catering workshop, there’s no mess or fuss in your kitchen. Visit www.artisanchocolateworkshop.co.uk

Mama Putt’s Kitchen and Lounge
We specialize in African and Caribbean cuisine and serve a broad range of dishes such as Goat Curry, Jerk Chicken, Stew Chicken, Jollof Rice, Stew Beef, Saltfish, Ackee and much more. 23 Kings Road, St Leonards TN37 6DU. Mon to Sat (3pm-10pm), Sun (5pm-10pm) Tel: 07400 384 443

Dendê
Dendê delivers workshops, classes and performances specialising in Afro-Brazilian cultural forms including Capoeira and drumming for all ages. Weekly classes held in London, Hastings and surrounding areas. Tel: 07970 245 804 Email: info@dende.co.uk Web: www.dende.co.uk

- VENUES**
- The Roomz** 33-35 Western Rd, St Leonards TN37 6DJ
Tel: 01424 721 564
- Broomgrove Community Centre** 85 Chiltern Drive, TN34 3PY
Tel: 01424 427 582
- Bullett Coffee House** 38 Robertson St, Hastings TN34 1HT
Tel: 01424 717 477
- Children’s Library** Robertson Passage, Hastings TN34 1HL
Tel: 0345 608 0195
- Concordia Hall** Church Road St Leonards on Sea TN34 6EG
- Electric Palace** Cinema, 39a High Street, Hastings TN34 3ER
Tel: 01424 720 393
- Hastings Museum & Art Gallery** Johns Place, Bohemia Road, Hastings, TN34 1ET
Tel: 01424 451 052
- Hastings Town Hall** (via Information Centre), Queens Square, Hastings TN34 1TL
Tel: 01424 451 128
- Pett Village Hall** Pett Road, Pett, Hastings TN35 4HD
- Pomegranate** 50 George Street Old Town Hastings TN34 3EA
Tel: 01424 429 221
- Silverdale Childrens Centre** Silverdale School, Perth Road, St Leonards TN37 7EA
- Sussex Coast College** Station Approach, Hastings, TN34
Tel: 01424 442 222
- The Beacon** 67 -68 St Marys Terrace, Hastings TN34 3LS
Tel: 01424 431 305
- The Bridge Community Centre** 361 Priory Road, Hastings TN34 3NW
Tel: 01424 433 611
- University of Brighton in Hastings** Havelock Rd, HASTINGS TN34 1BE
- Waterstone’s Hastings** 15-15 Kings Walk, Priory Meadow Shopping Centre, Hastings, TN34 1PH
Tel: 01424 722 253

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