



PANAFEST FOUNDATION

(PAN AFRICAN HISTORICAL ARTS & CULTURE FESTIVAL)
(FETE HISTORIQUE DE L'ARTS ET CULTURELLE PAN AFRICAINE)
UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE AU AND GOVERNMENT OF GHANA

INVITATION TO PANAFEST 2019

“BEYOND 400 YEARS; REACHING ACROSS CONTINENTS INTO THE FUTURE.”

On behalf of the PANAFEST Foundation, I would like to extend a warm invitation to you and your congregation to attend PANAFEST 2019 in Ghana beginning July 25th to August 2nd, 2019.

PANAFEST is a Pan African Historical Festival under the auspices of the African Union and the government of Ghana that commemorates the ideals of Pan-Africanism through Arts and Culture. Since its inception in 1992, it has served as a cultural vehicle that invites Africans on the continent and in the diaspora to Ghana to confront and overcome the estrangement slavery and colonization has created between the two groups.

The theme for PANAFEST 2019 is “Beyond 400 Years; Reaching Across Continents Into The Future.” Acknowledging the 400 years since the first documented enslaved African was brought to North America, PANAFEST 2019 is commemorating the tremendous contributions of Africans to the “New World” and examining the impact of this lengthy period of servitude on Africa and its peoples throughout the world.

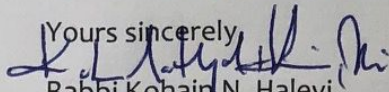
However, PANAFEST also recognizes the biblical significance of this historic 400 year mark and is specifically inviting religious leaders and groups on the continent and in the Diaspora to join in what will be an unprecedented Pan African interfaith healing and reconciliation ceremony.

Some of the events that will take place during this festival include:

- Wreath laying ceremonies paying tribute to Pan African pioneers and ancestors
- Canoe rides to and through the slave castles/dungeon “Door of Return”
- Welcoming ceremony by Durbar of Chiefs, Queen Mothers and other dignitaries
- Naming and Interfaith Ceremonies
- Reverential Night & Emancipation Day

For any general information you can visit our website at panafestghana.org

If we are blessed to have you interested in attending these events kindly call or email the Pan African Interfaith coordinator at (917-796-5703) or email (kbouhairie@panafestgh.org for further information.

Yours sincerely,

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