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RECOGNITIONS: AWARDS AND PRIZES

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND, 7:00 PM - 11:30PM
RUSO'S ON THE BAY 162-45 CROSS BAY BLVD.
QUEENS, NY 11414 | TICKETS \$150.00

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UNDER THE THEME

R OOTS,
HYTHM
& HARMONY

Celebrating Guyana's
Diamond Jubilee.

Lifetime Achievement Award

Terry Gajraj
Hugh Sam

Exemplary Award

Erwin 'Flantis' Edwards
Winston 'Jeggae' Hoppie

Cultural Enabler-Business Partner

Leslie Stewart

GCA Award

Yashokamini Seunarine
Melissa 'Vanilla' Roberts
Orlando Primo
Michael Williams
Terry Nelson

Godfrey Chin Prizes for Heritage Journalism

1st Prize: Andrea Bryan-Garner
2nd Prize: Mobile Wizard &
Country Gal
3rd Prize: Pastor James Richmond

The Derry Etkins Memorial Prize for Excellence in Music (Composition, Performance, and Preservation)

Miriam Corlette

Derry Etkins Memorial Prize for Service and Commitment to Music Education in Guyana

Burchmore Simon

Claire Ann Goring M.S. Youth Awards

Sonia Singh
Marcus Agrippa
Osie K. Clarke
Simeon Raywaram
Tirese Thomas



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2026 RECOGNITIONS

AWARDS AND PRIZES WINNERS

The GCA Awards & Prizes recognize, through global nominations, individuals and organizations whose creativity and leadership reflect our cultural heritage and demonstrate significant achievements in accomplishing the objectives of our theme: **"Roots, Rhythm and Harmony: Celebrating Guyana's Diamond Jubilee."**



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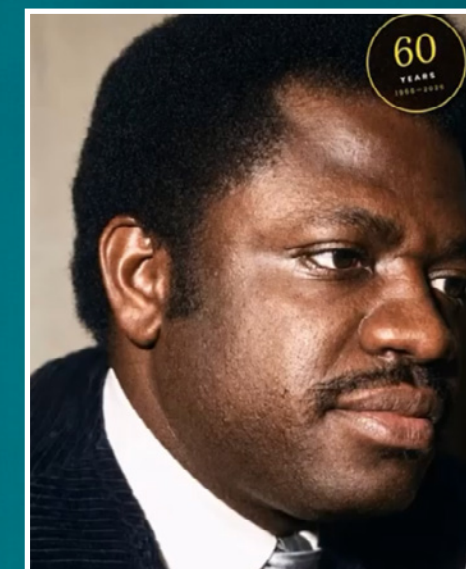
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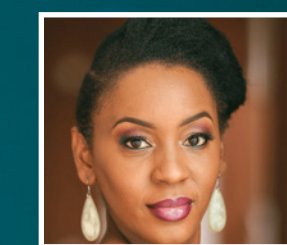
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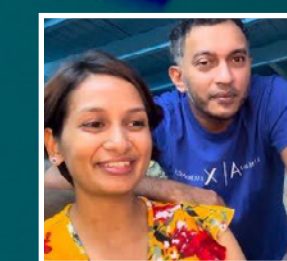
The Guyana Cultural Association of New York, Inc., is proud to announce its 2026 prize winners. Their work demonstrates cultural confidence and innovation, especially the creative application of the digital communication technologies and online platforms to study, discuss, and showcase Guyana's rich multi-ethnic heritage and contemporary creativity.



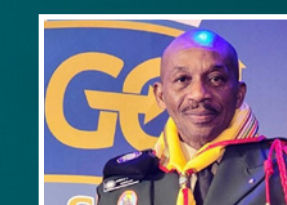
GODFREY CHIN PRIZES FOR HERITAGE JOURNALISM



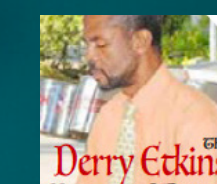
The 1st prize of US\$500 is awarded to
Andrea Bryan-Garner
"Andrea's 26 Days of Guyanese Foods"



The 2nd prize of US\$300 is awarded to
Mobile Wizard & Country Gal
"Mobile Wizard and Country Gal" youtube



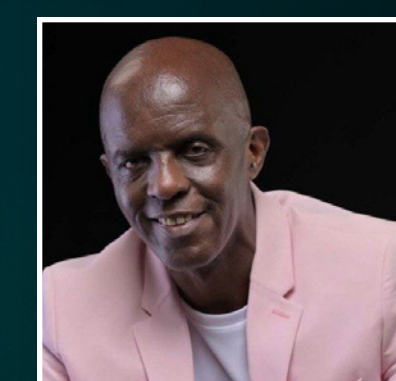
The 3rd prize of US\$200 is awarded to
Pastor James Richmond
"Scenic Guyana A Journey in my mind"



DERRY ETKINS MEMORIAL PRIZES



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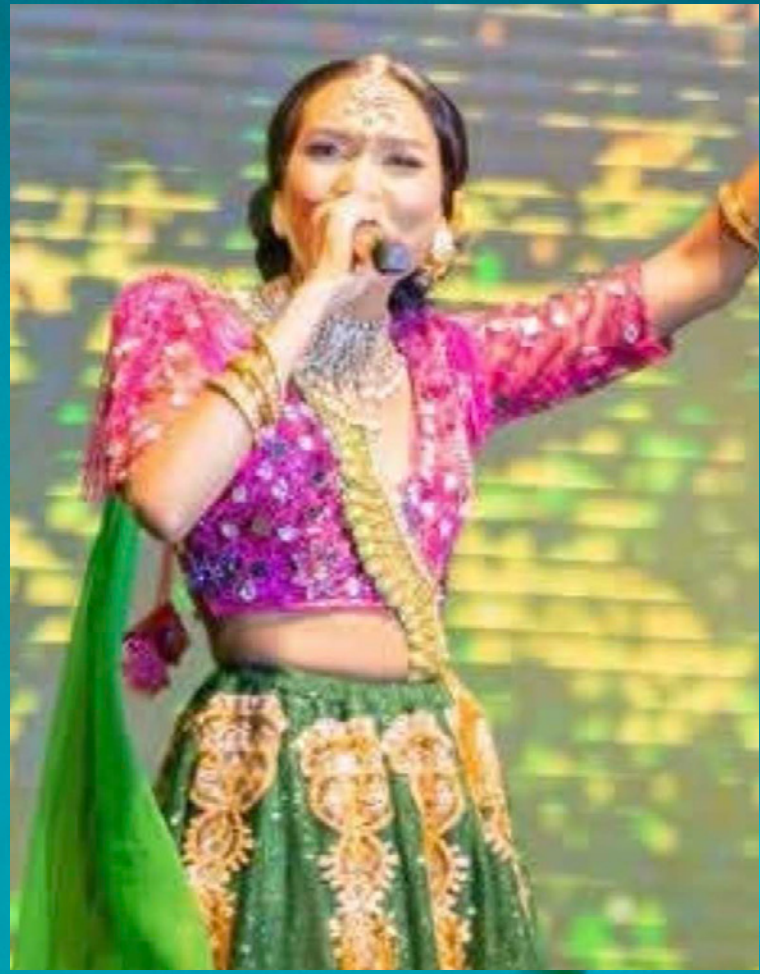
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The Claire Ann Goring Youth Award for Excellence in Arts and Culture celebrates young creatives who reflect our nation's culture. This award recognizes outstanding young individuals aged 15 to 29 who are leveraging the arts and culture to transform their communities through innovative ideas and creative solutions



Sonia Singh



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Folk Festival 2026

ROOTS, RHYTHMS AND HARMONY

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SAVE THE DATE



SYMPOSIUM

Sunday, August 30
12:00 Noon-6:00 PM

Lefferts Historic House -
Prospect Park.
452 Flatbush Ave.,
Brooklyn, NY 11225



AWARDS & PRIZES GALA

Wednesday, September 2
7:00 PM-11:30 PM

Russo's on The Bay
162-45 Cross Bay Blvd.,
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KWE-KWE & PERFORMING ARTS NITE

Friday, September 4
7:00 PM-11:00 PM

2806 Newkirk Ave.,
Brooklyn, NY 11226



FOLK FESTIVAL FAMILY FUN DAY

Sunday, September 6
12:00 Noon-8:00 PM

Old Boys High School
Grounds
736 Rutland Road,
Brooklyn, NY 11203



Metro
Plus
Health



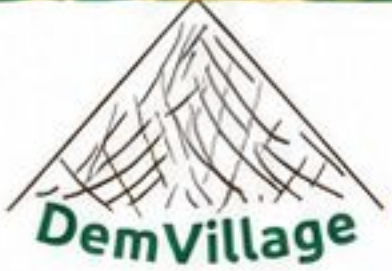
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