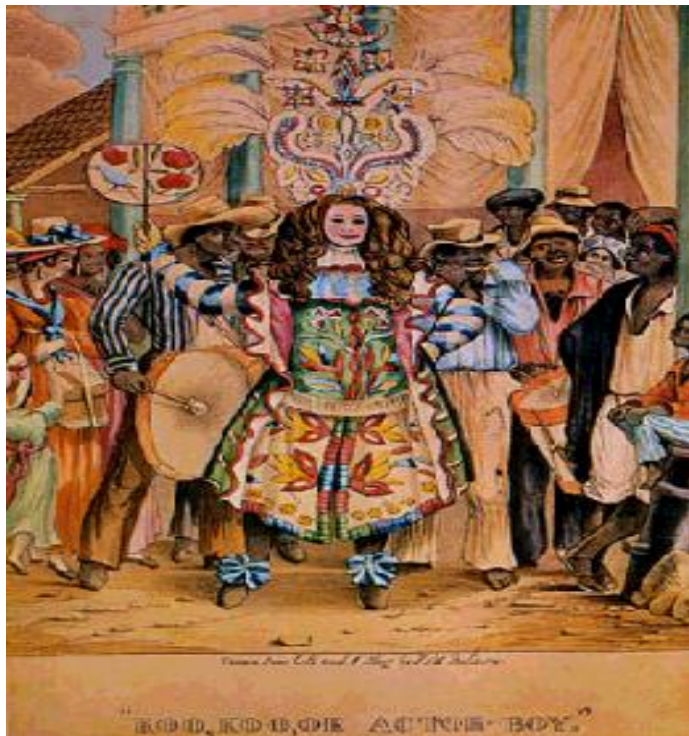


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*(Isaac Mendes Belisario's portrayal of the Jonkonnu festival in Jamaica. This festival was celebrated by slaves in the Christmas and New Year's period. Belisario, a Jamaican Jew published a book containing several such images in 1837. The image used here is extracted from the website "Atlantic Slave Trade and Slave Life in the Americas" by Jerome Handler and Michael L Tuite, jr.)*

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## The 39<sup>th</sup> Annual ACH Conference hosted by the Department of History & Archaeology, UWI, Mona

### Arrangements for the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual ACH Conference

#### Dates

The 39<sup>th</sup> annual conference of the Association of Caribbean Historians is scheduled for **May 7-11, 2007** in Kingston, Jamaica. Registration will take place at the Knutsford Court Hotel on Sunday 6 May 2007, 2pm-5pm. The Opening Ceremony of the Conference will take place on Sunday 6 May 2007 at the University of the West Indies, Mona Campus. The academic programme takes place between Monday 7 May 2007 and Thursday 10 May, with Friday 11 May reserved for the field trip.

#### Conference Fee

The conference fee is **US\$125.00**; for Caribbean based students, **US\$30.00**; for non-Caribbean based students, **US\$60.00**. Fees are payable in cash or travelers cheques only. **No credit card payments please.**

#### Accommodation

**Conference:** The Conference sessions will be held at the **Jamaica Conference Centre**, Downtown Kingston. Transportation will be provided between the Hotel and the Conference Centre.

**Hotel:** Special rates have been arranged with the **Knutsford Court Hotel** in New Kingston ([www.knutsfordcourt.com](http://www.knutsfordcourt.com)) where 80 rooms have been reserved for delegates attending the conference. The rates are as follows:

Superior single US\$98.00; Superior double US\$108.00; Junior suite single US\$105.00; Junior suite double: US\$115.00. (Single - 1 person; double - 2 persons; double/double - 2 beds, 2 persons). Additional person(s) - 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> occupant US\$5.00 per person additional. Reservations must be guaranteed by a major credit card.

These rates are per room/night, and are inclusive of continental breakfast. A 10% service charge and 8.25% government tax is additional. Please note that tax is subject to change. For these special rates, delegates must make their own reservations with the hotel on the reservation form (**marked Association of Caribbean Historians Conference with the Knutsford Court Hotel logo**) included below. The completed reservation form should be emailed or faxed to the Hotel ([sales1@knutsfordcourt.com](mailto:sales1@knutsfordcourt.com)) (fax- 876-906-2224). Please request confirmation of receipt of your reservation. Delegates are encouraged to make reservations **by 31 March 2007**. Thereafter the special rates will cease to apply and the Hotel will release the room block and reservations will be taken based on availability.

The Knutsford Court Hotel ([www.knutsfordcourt.com](http://www.knutsfordcourt.com)) is well-appointed and is located in the New Kingston area. It is within walking distance of banking facilities, shops and restaurants. You are strongly advised to make your reservation with the Knutsford Court Hotel, as transportation will be provided between this hotel and conference related activities.

#### Travel and Entry Requirements

Caribbean nationals, except those from Cuba, the Dominican Republic and Haiti do not require a visa, but must have a valid passport for entry to Jamaica. Citizens of

the European community, Canada and the USA also do not require visas. There is a government departure tax which may or may not be included in the cost of your ticket, so please verify with your travel agent.

### **Airport Pick-Up and Departure**

Transportation from the Norman Manley International airport to the Knutsford Court Hotel will be provided on **Saturday 5 May and Sunday 6 May 2007**. Transportation to the airport from Knutsford Court will be provided on **Saturday 12 May and Sunday 13 May**. Please indicate travel information on the pre-registration form below.

### **Weather and Dress**

Temperatures are normally between 25 and 30 degrees Celsius. The conference room is likely to be fairly cool, so bring a light jacket. For evening receptions delegates are advised to bring appropriate apparel.

### **Transportation to and from the conference venue**

Transportation will be provided between the Jamaica Conference Centre and the Knutsford Court Hotel daily.

### **Paper Submission and Formatting**

Papers with abstracts in English, French and Spanish (maximum 250 words) **must reach the LOC by 30 March 2007** for duplication. Presenters should send a **diskette or CD, and a hard copy** (no fax or email please) of their paper.

Papers must **not exceed 25 pages** (inclusive of references and bibliography), must be **double spaced, font size 12** and typed using **Microsoft Word** program.

The paper and abstract must be accompanied with the full name and institutional affiliation of the author and be sent to **Aleric Josephs**, Department of History & Archaeology, UWI, Mona Campus, St. Andrew, Kingston 7, Jamaica.

### **Missed Deadline Procedure**

Presenters unable to meet the deadline of 30 March 2007 must notify the LOC and bring at least 120 copies of their paper for distribution by the LOC, provided that the papers are delivered to the Conference Secretariat at least by a full 24 hours prior to the scheduled panel presentation of the paper.

### **Non-Attendance**

Additionally, presenters who are unable to attend the conference due to unforeseen circumstances must notify the Local Organizing Committee in good time before the deadline for submission. The ACH views with disfavour the issue of non-attendance, without appropriate notification, where approval had been granted to a paper proposal. In cases where such non-attendance, without notification occurs, the ACH reserves the right to disregard subsequent paper proposals from such individuals.

### **Pre- Registration**

Please fill out the pre-registration form and return by email attachment to Kathleen Monteith -: [kmonteth@yahoo.com](mailto:kmonteth@yahoo.com) by 31 March 2007 the latest. You may also fax to 876-970-1999, or mail to the Department of History & Archaeology, UWI, Mona Campus, St. Andrew, Kingston 7, Jamaica.

### 39<sup>th</sup> Annual ACH Pre-Registration Form

It is important that you return this form to the **ACH** by **31 March, 2007** so that all arrangements can be made in a timely manner.

**Please use block letters.**

Name .....

Email Address.....

Fax #.....

I will be staying at the Knutsford Court Hotel:

YES  NO  ..... (Please tick ✓ )

**ARRIVAL**

**Date** Saturday **5 May**  .....(please tick ✓ )

Sunday **6 May**

**Airline** ..... **Flight Number** .....

**Arrival Time** ..... am/pm

**DEPARTURE**

**Date** Saturday **12 May**  .....(please tick ✓ )

Sunday **13 May**

**Airline** ..... **Flight Number** .....

**Departure Time** ..... am/pm

*Please state any special needs related to diet or medical condition below.*

Association of Caribbean Historians' Conference: May 6 – 11, 2007

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**2. Reservation Information:**

No. of Persons: \_\_\_\_\_ Arrival Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Flight #: \_\_\_\_\_ Arrival Time: \_\_\_\_\_ am/pm

Departure Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Check-in** Time: 3:00pm; **Check-out** Time: 12:00noon**SPECIAL HOTEL RATE: (per night)****Room Type Rates** (plus 18.25% Tax & Service Charge)

Superior: Single - US\$98.00; Double - US\$108.00

Junior Suite: Single - US\$105.00; Double - US\$115.00

Room Type to be booked: \_\_\_\_\_

**Room Type Desired** Smoking  Non-Smoking Single (1 person);  Double (2 persons)  Double/Double (2 beds, 2 persons) Additional Person(s) – Third & Fourth Occupant US\$5.00 per person additional, plus 18.25% Tax and Service Charge

**3. Payment Instructions:**

All reservations must be guaranteed with first night's deposit to credit card and guaranteed for late arrival. The Knutsford Court Hotel will provide confirmation within seven days of receipt. Deposits will be forfeited entirely if cancellation is not made prior to 72 hours before arrival date.

- ◆ All attendees are responsible for making their own hotel reservations. The negotiated rates will be honored until March 31, 2007.
- ◆ Reservation will not be processed without payment

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**Programme of the 39th Annual Conference**

**Mona, Jamaica, May 06 - 11, 2006**

<b>Sunday May 6th</b>	Delegates Arrive Pre-Registration Ceremony <b>Opening Ceremony</b>	
<b>Monday May 7th</b>		
9:00-12:00	<b>Registration</b>	
9:00-10:30	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Panel Transatlantic Slave Trade</b>	
<b>Chair</b>	<u>Bernard Moitt</u>	
<b>Presenters:</b>	Gerard LaFleur	"Relations entre Européens et Africains selon le journal du chevalier André Bruë, commissaire general de la Compagnie du Senegal du décembre 1722 au mai 1723"
	Heather Cateau	"Things Fall Apart- Abolition, Enslavement and Emancipation"
	Claudius Fergus	"The Chinese Factor in Britain's Abolition of the trans-atlantic Slave Trade"
	Maria Flores Collazo	"Legislar para recordar: las conmemoraciones de los procesos abolicionistas en Puerto Rico y Jamaica"
10:30-11:00	<b>Break</b>	
11:00-12:30	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> panel Jamaican History and Heritage I</b>	
<b>Chair</b>	<u>Veront Satchell</u>	
<b>Presenters:</b>	Sasha Turner	"Breaking the glass ceiling: White Women and plantation management in early nineteenth century Jamaica".
	Kristen Block	"Spanish Jamaica/English Jamaica: A New Look at Cromwell's Western Design of 1655-56"
	Wigmore Francis	"Sugar Woes and Land Problems in Jamaica: Reflections on a Hundred Years after the Abolition of the Slave Trade "
	Thera Edwards	"Finding The Final Frontier: Land Transactions in the Blue Mountains, Jamaica"
12:30-1:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
1:30-3:00	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Panel Business, Political, and Finance issues in Caribbean History</b>	

<b>Chair</b>	<u>Gad Heuman</u>	
<b>Presenters:</b>	Michelle McDonald	"Brand New: the Development of Regional Branding of Caribbean Coffee"
	Michael Toussaint	"The Evolution of the Credit Unions Movement in Trinidad and Tobago in the late nineteenth century"
	Patricia Stafford	"Tradesmen as Vestrymen: A liberalizing influence in early 20 <sup>th</sup> century Barbados"
	Cleve Scott	"Building Working Class Solidarity: Terrence A Maryshow, Arthur Cipriani, and the politics of labour in St. Kitts and the Grenadines, 1919-1937"
3:00-3:30	<b>Break</b>	
3:30-5:00	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Panel Natural History in the Caribbean</b>	
<b>Chair</b>	<u>Rinia Veldhuizen - Doelahasori</u>	
<b>Presenters:</b>	April Shelford	"The Slave in the Garden: Slave Presences in Natural History Writings in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Century Caribbean"
	Aleric Josephs	"On the Periphery: Women, Science, and Caribbean Natural History"
	Matthew Mulcahy	"The Royal Earthquake and the World of Wonders in Seventeenth-Century Jamaica "
<b>Tuesday May 8th 9:00-12:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>	
9:00-10:30	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Panel Slavery in BWI Society</b>	
<b>Chair</b>	<u>Verene Shepherd</u>	
<b>Presenters:</b>	Roderick McDonald	"The Ethnography and the Pornography of Slavery "
	Russell Menard	"The organization of labour in early Barbados"
	David Ryden	"Paradox of West Indian Sugar Planting in the era of Slavery, 1783-1807"
	Lorena Walsh	"A Thinking Decisión? Colonial Elites, Slavery, Emigration and Staples"
10:30-11:00	<b>Break</b>	

11:00-12:30	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Panel Decolonizing Movements I</b>	
<b>Chair</b>	<u>Antonio Gaztambide</u> <u>Géigel</u>	
<b>Presenters:</b>	Evelyn Vélez Rodríguez	"Puerto Rico en las relaciones internacionales: De la Comisión del Caribe a la Organización del Caribe, 1946- 1966"
	Félix Huertas González	"Puerto Rico y sus relaciones deportivas internacionales, 1930-1966"
	Harold Jap-a-Joe	"Strange Bedfellows" the Moravian Church and decolonizing movements in Suriname"
	Mary Chamberlain	"Barbados and the moral economy, 1937-1966"
12:30-1:30	<b>Lunch (and President's lunch for new members)</b>	
1:30-3:00	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Panel Material Culture in Caribbean History</b>	
<b>Chair</b>	<u>Roy Augier</u>	
<b>Presenters:</b>	Jillian Galle	"Consumption and Gendered Social Strategies Among Slaves in Jamaica and the Chesapeake: An Archaeological Perspective"
	Fraser Neiman	"Spatial Counterpoint: Eighteenth Century Plantation Domestic Architecture in Jamaica and Virginia"
	Barbaro Martinez-Ruiz	"Belisario's Vision: Tracing the African Roots of Jonkonnu celebrations in nineteenth-century Jamaica"
	Linda Sturz	"Festival, Resistance and the Carnavalesque in Late Eighteenth-Century Jamaican Christmas Celebrations"
3:00-3:30	<b>Break</b>	
3:30-5:00	<b>8<sup>th</sup> Panel Race and Sexuality in Caribbean History</b>	
<b>Chair</b>	<u>Gail Saunders</u>	
<b>Presenters:</b>	Heather Kopelson	"From Sinner to Property: Unlawful Sex" and Enslaved Women in Bermuda, 1650-1723"
	Katherine Paugh	"The Strongest Interest in Preventing this Diminution: Reproduction, Fornication, and Methodism in the British Caribbean"
	Yvonne Fabella	"Sexuality and the Construction of Racial

		Difference in late-colonial Saint Domingue"
<b>Wednesday May 9th</b>		
8:30-10:00	<b>Registration</b>	
8:30-10:00	<b>9<sup>th</sup> Panel National Identity and Nationhood</b>	
<b>Chair</b>	<u>Kusha Haraksingh</u>	
<b>Presenters:</b>	Bridget Brereton	"Contesting the past: National narratives of Trinidad and Tobago"
	Jean Casimir	"L'Etat dans le code rural de Boyer"
	Rosemary Hoefte	"What happened to the legacy of Grace Scheidner-Howard, first female politician in Suriname"
	Howard Johnson	"From Pariah to patriot: the Posthumous career of George William Gordon"
10:00-10:30	<b>Break</b>	
10:30-12:00	<b>10<sup>th</sup> Panel Post-Colonial Revolt in the Caribbean I</b>	
<b>Chair</b>	<u>Kelvin Santiago de Valles</u>	
<b>Presenters:</b>	Roberta Kilkenny	"Public History/Public Radio: The making of 'Walter Rodney'" Pan Africanist /Internationalist"
	Nigel Westmaas	"1968 and the Social Foundations of the Working Peoples Alliance"
	Michael West	"Walter Rodney and 1968: The Canadian Angle"
	Tiffany Patterson	"Caribbean Activism Stateside: 1968 and Beyond"
12:00-1:30	<b>11<sup>th</sup> Panel Health and Pathologies I</b>	
<b>Chair</b>	<u>Marcia Burrowes</u>	
<b>Presenters:</b>	Dalea Bean	" A Dangerous Class of Women: prostitution and the perceived threat to military efficiency in Jamaica during the World Wars"
	Jacques Dumont and Juanita de Barros	" Colonial Mediators and the Emergence of Colonial Health Policies in the French and British Caribbean, 1930-1938"

	Tara Inniss  Gordon Gill	"Distempered, Maimed and Worn Out: Locating Disability in the early nineteenth Century Caribbean History"  "Ecology and Pathogens in the Hydrological Plantation Society of Berbice"
<b>Wednesday evening free</b>	NB. <b>The Elsa Goveia Lecture</b> will be presented this evening by Professor Richard Blackett. The time and venue <b>will be announced</b> .	
<b>Thursday May 9th</b> 8:30-10:00	<b>Registration</b>	
8:30-10:00	<b>12<sup>th</sup> Panel</b> <b>Jamaica History and Heritage II</b>	
<b>Chair</b>	<u>Swithin Wilmot</u>	
<b>Presenters:</b>	Jenny Jemmott	"Ties that bind: Consolidating family links in Jamaica, 1834-1838"
	Jonathan Dalby	"From St. Anns bay in 1826 to Montego bay in 1902: The pattern of Riots in Nineteenth Century Jamaica"
	Dave Gosse	"A Kingdom Divided Cannot Stand: Politics in Early Nineteenth -Century Jamaica"
	James Robertson	"Tacky plus five: A 1765 Slave Revolt in St. Mary's Jamaica"
10:30-10:30	<b>Break</b>	
10:30-12:00	<b>13<sup>th</sup> Panel</b> <b>The Caribbean since 1939: Post-Colonial Revolt II</b>	
<b>Chair</b>	<u>Juan González-Mendoza</u>	
<b>Presenters:</b>	Kate Quinn	"Sitting in a Volcano: Black Power in Burnham's Guyana"
	Anne Macpherson	"Black Power in Belize: UBAD, Radical Masculinity and the Enabling of Belizean Feminism, 1968-78"
	Fitz Baptiste	"Jamaicans in the United States' Emergency Farm and War Industries Programme, 1942 to 1947"
	Lomارش Roopnarine	"Decolonizing Movements in the Caribbean: St. Croix secession movement in the United States Virgin Islands"
12:00-1:00	<b>Lunch</b>	

1:00-2:30	<b>14<sup>th</sup> Panel Health and Pathologies II</b>	
<b>Chair Presenters:</b>	<u>Danielle Bégot</u> April Mayes Annie Saunier Debbie McCollin Rita Pemberton	"Refining Dominicans: Governance, Social Order, and Public Health in the Dominican Republic under US Occupation, 1916-1924" "Les aliénés a la Martinique entre 1940 et 1946". Friend or Foe?: Venereal Diseases and the American Presence in Trinidad and Tobago During World War I" "Outside the Hospital Walls: Community health Services in Trinidad, 1900-1950"
2:30-4:00	<b>15<sup>th</sup> Panel Caribbean Social Culture</b>	
<b>Chair Presenters:</b>	<u>Janice Mayers</u> Linda Rupert Melisse Thomas-Bailey Gerada Holder <u>Humberto García Muñiz and Rebecca Campo</u>	"Creolization and Contraband: Papiamentu and the Port" "Language Usage in the Cultural Politics of the Post-Emancipation British West Indies" "Preserving a visual Culture: the Role of the Heritage Library in Preserving the Culture of Trinidad and Tobago through Images" "French Guiana's Experiences During the Second World war"
4.15 pm	<b>ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING</b>	
<b>Friday May10</b>	<b>FIELD TRIP</b>	

**Join the ACH****Yes! I want to join the ACH. I enclose dues as follows:**

- Professional \$25       Student \$10
- Institutional \$50       Life \$250
- Benefactor \$75

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First Name

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

New Member:     Yes     No                      Need Receipt:     Yes     No

Members are reminded that if they have not recently paid their dues or did so during the Annual Conference, dues for 2006-2007 are past due, since our membership year runs from April to April.

**All payments must be made in US dollars**, please make checks payable to: "The Association of Caribbean Historians" Post to: Pedro L V Welch, Department of History, University of the West Indies (Cave Hill Campus), Cave Hill, St. Michael, Barbados.

## ACH NEWS AND EVENTS

### BICENTENARY EVENTS IN JAMAICA: MAY 2007

*(Including endorsed events organized by other agencies & institutions.  
Changes will be announced in good time)*

DATE	EVENT	RATIONALE	VENUE	CONTACT
1 <sup>st</sup> May	Opening of Bicentennial Exhibition on the TTA	To further public education on the TTA	Multifunctional Room, Main Library, UWI	Main Library, UWI (sponsored by the JNBC)
3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Indigenous People's Day	Marks loss of freedom, start of genocide and Black slavery; but also of sustained resistance	Seville Heritage Park	JNHT & JNBC. Call 876-970-4441 or 876-922-1287/8
6-11 May	Conference of the Association of Caribbean Historians & Elsa Goveia Memorial Lecture	To engage in public debates on the TTA and Caribbean history in general	Jamaica Conference Centre	.ACH & Dept of History, UWI, Mona. (876-927-1922)
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Exhibition on the History of the Drum	To celebrate the culture of the African ancestors, which survived against all odds	Devon House Heritage Site	876-929-6602
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	National Labour Day	To protect, preserve and honour ancestral sites , especially sites associated with the TTA, slavery and Marcus Garvey	Island-wide  (e.g. at Garvey's birthplace in St Ann)	Ministry Of Tourism, Ent & Culture
25 <sup>th</sup> May	Panel Discussion on Garveyism and the state of the Pan-African Movement	To mark African Liberation Day	TBA	Marcus Garvey Movement & the JNBC (970-4441)



## **ASWAD CONFERENCE - CALL FOR PAPERS!!!**

You are invited to participate in the fourth conference of the Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora (ASWAD), to be held October 9-12, 2007, in Barbados. The University of the West Indies, Cave Hill is hosting the conference as its Signature Program for the year, with co-sponsorship from New York University.

In commemoration of the Bicentennial of the British and American Abolition of the Transatlantic Slave Trade, the theme of the conference is INTERROGATIONS OF FREEDOM: MEMORIES, MEANINGS, and MIGRATIONS.

The conference will be research driven, featuring panels organized in ways which effectively stimulate discourse across geographic, disciplinary, cultural, and theoretical boundaries. All geographic areas will be represented, including Africa, the Middle East, Europe and Asia. Paper and panel proposals that incorporate gender and women as categories of analysis are encouraged.

### **Proposals**

Please send a two-page abstract (for either a single presentation or a panel) and a one-page cv (or one-page multiple cv's) by MARCH 1, 2007. They can be sent prior to submitting the registration fee, and are to be sent electronically via email attachment to: [Barbados07@nyu.edu](mailto:Barbados07@nyu.edu).

Other queries (but not abstracts; please send all abstracts to [barbados07@nyu.edu](mailto:barbados07@nyu.edu)) can be addressed to:

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We intend to post papers on our website, and some may be selected for publication. If you do not wish your paper to appear in either format, please clearly indicate such. Completed materials should be submitted in publishable form prior to October 9th.

Please do not delay in submitting your abstracts!

### **Conference Registration Fees**

#### ASWAD Members:

- Academics and Professionals (General Membership) based in North America and Europe: US \$75
- Retired Academics and Professionals (General Membership) based in North America and Europe: US \$50
- Academics and Professionals (General Membership) based elsewhere: US \$25
- Barbadian Nationals: no registration fee required
- Students: no registration fee required

Non-ASWAD Members:

- Academics and Professionals based in North America and Europe: US \$140
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ASWAD Membership

Membership rates are posted on our website [www.aswadiaspora.org](http://www.aswadiaspora.org), and are provided below. You may start or renew your membership for 2007 (hopefully you've done so in 2006) by following instructions posted on the site.

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Checks only, please. You may pay both registration and membership fees at the same time.

**Accommodations**

The **Hilton Barbados** will serve as the host hotel and site of most activities.

Hilton Barbados  
 Needham's Point  
 St. Michael BB 11000  
 Barbados  
 Tel: 246 426 0200  
 Fax: 246 434 5792  
[www.hiltoncaribbean.com/barbados](http://www.hiltoncaribbean.com/barbados)

A block of rooms has been reserved, but availability will diminish quickly. You need to make your reservations directly with the Hilton, and you have until August 24, 2007 to make them, after which the rooms will be released.

The preferred group rate is \$175 per room (not including taxes), per night, single or double occupancy. The same rate will be available both 3 days before and 3 days following the dates of the conference, should you wish to extend your stay. The conference will officially end Friday afternoon, October 12, 2007.

Please refer to the ASWAD Room Block when making your reservation; if you are doing so via telephone, make sure to speak directly to a Hilton Barbados Reservation Agent in the Reservations Department (246-426-0200). Otherwise, you may email Reservations ([reservations.barbados@hilton.com](mailto:reservations.barbados@hilton.com)), OR download the group reservation fax sheet at:

<http://www.aswadiaspora.org/ASWAD2007.html#resForm>

**See you in Barbados!**

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**OBITUARY**

## WINSTON SAUNDERS PASSES AWAY

It is with deep regret and sadness that I inform members of the ACH family that Winston Saunders, CMG, late husband of our beloved past ACH Secretary-Treasurer, Vice President and President, Gail Saunders, OBE, died in Kingston, Jamaica on Saturday evening, 25th November, following a brief illness. Mr. Saunders was admitted to the University Hospital of the West Indies on Thursday, 23rd November and succumbed to his illness a few days later.

Mr. Saunders, the Chairman of the Cultural Commission, took ill while on an official visit to Jamaica to outline The Bahamas' plans to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the abolition of the transatlantic trade in Africans to the former British Empire.

Mr. Saunders was a cultural icon in The Bahamas. He was known for his stellar contribution to the Arts generally, but specifically as a pianist, singer and church organist. He was also a playwright (e.g. of "You Can Take a Horse To Water"), a director and a leader of Culture in the area of public policy.

Mr. Saunders once served as the Chairman of the Dundas Centre for the Performing Arts and put the Dundas on its present modern footing. Professionally he was an Attorney and served as a Magistrate in The Bahamas, creating the Coroners Court. As Chairman of the Commission appointed by Prime Minister Rt. Hon. Perry Christie to advise the Government on cultural policy, he was the organizer for the National Independence Day celebrations and helped to develop legislation for the Parliament on National Honours and a National Heroes day.

The Prime Minister has expressed his condolences to Gail, who is the Director General of Heritage; as well as and to his nieces and nephews. Mr. Saunders is also survived by an uncle, Edward 'Eddie' Granger and an aunt, Bell Archer.

I have expressed our collective condolences to our friend and colleague, sent her a card and a message from all of us, and will attend the official thanksgiving service for his life in the Bahamas.

Verene Shepherd  
President, ACH  
November 27, 2006