




BARBADOS ASSOCIATION OF WINNIPEG INC.
Barbados' 47th Anniversary
Independence Banquet & Dance
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH, 2013
Canad Inns Destination Centre (Polo Park)
1405 St. Matthews Ave, Winnipeg
Guest Speaker:
Cocktails 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Everyone is Welcome!
For tickets please call:
Roslyn: 204-697-8042
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Admission:
Adults \$
Youths \$
Independence Banquet and Dance

Initially, The Annual Independence Banquet & Dance was seen as the premier function of the Association's social calendar and was the leading fund-raiser. Gradually, however, it ceased to be lucrative, even though it often attracted some important personalities from Bridgetown and Ottawa. In 1981, for example, the keynote speaker was the Hon Mr Lindsay Bolden, a member of the Barbados Labour Party cabinet. In 1984, it was the Hon Mr Louis Tull, Barbados' Minister of External Affairs, who gave the keynote speech; and in 1982, His Excellency Mr Lester B. Whitehead Barbados' High Commissioner to Canada, delivered the feature address.



2013 BAW Events Calendar

- January 6th - Monthly Meeting
- February 3rd - Monthly Meeting
- March 3rd - Monthly Meeting
- April 7th - Monthly Meeting
- May 5th - Monthly Meeting
- May 17th - 20th - **NCBAC's Conference** (Toronto)
- June 2nd - Monthly Meeting
- June 22nd - **Bajan Night** (Glenwood Community Centre)
- July - No Monthly meeting
- July 28th - **Barbados Picnic** (Hyland Park)
- August - No monthly meeting
- August 18th - **Bajan Night Appreciation Barbecue** (Hyland Park)
- September 8th Monthly meeting
- September 14th Workshop
- October 6th - Monthly Meeting
- November 3rd - Monthly Meeting
- November 16th - **Independence Dinner & Dance**
- December 1st - Monthly Meeting



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A New Year

Guess what? The New Year isn't as important as everyone is making it seem.

As human beings we like order and as a result we have created a calendar which puts the precious time we have been given into brackets. We have created compartments for our lives numbered in days, week, months and years. As a result, every time the "New Year" rolls around we place specific emphasis on being better people.

Everyone is thinking about their resolutions for the New Year. They are thinking about what went wrong in 2012 and how they fix it in 2013. Some are thinking about what went right in 2012 and how they can continue to grow and enjoy success when the clock strikes 12 on January 1st 2013. However, I would implore you all to accept that the life you live has not and will not change significantly when you start dating your documents differently. This is the same life in the same space and therefore I am urging everyone to make their resolutions constantly.

The greatest gift we have been giving is our minds. Our free will makes us the rulers of the planet and our ability to grow, to evolve, is admirable beyond imagining. So take the bull by the horns and start the process now and keep it going.

Your resolutions should be the reflection of a life-long journey focused on excellence.

Barbados 2013 Events

Open House Program

Date (To be confirmed): January 2013 - April 2013

Visitors are given access into some of the island's rich historic homes that usually remain closed to the general public. It occurs every Wednesday afternoon from 1430-1730.

Barbados Jazz Festival

Date (To be confirmed): January 2013

Local, national and international jazz performers take to the stage for this annual event, which attracts music fans from all over the world. Concerts take place at various venues across the island, including Sunbury Plantation House and Farley Hill National Park.

Venue: Bridgetown, St Michael

Holetown Festival

Date (To be confirmed): February 2013

The week-long celebrations marks the arrival of the first settlers at Holetown on February 17, 1627. The festival provides visitors with an introduction to Barbadian culture and traditions through a varied program that includes concerts, live music, street parades, beauty pageants, craft fairs, historical exhibitions, sporting competitions and food and drink events.

Venue: Holetown

British Airways Football Legends Invitational Tournament 2011

Date (To be confirmed): June 2013

It's all in honour of charity, with the money raised going to National Sports Council Primary Schools Programme, in aid of sports in Caribbean schools.

Venue: Kensington Oval, Bridgetown, Barbados

Website: www.barbadosfootball-legends.com

Crop Over Festival

Date (To be confirmed): July 2013 - August 2013

Crop Over is Barbados' biggest festival. Dating back to the 1780s when the island was one of the biggest sugar producers in the world, the end of the sugar cane harvest was always celebrated with a big party, and the tradition continues today with added extravagance and flamboyance. The festival culminates with the ceremonial delivery of the last sugar canes of the harvest and the crowning of the carnival king and queen. Events continue for five weeks and revellers can expect a heavy mix of live music, dancing, carnivals, markets, cultural presentations and more.

Venue: Various venues.

Barbados Food, Wine and Rum Festival

Date (To be confirmed): November 2013

Spanning four days, this culinary event brings together the very best in food, wine, rum and culture.

Venue: Various venues.

Website: www.foodwinerum.com

Barbados International Film Festival

Date (To be confirmed): November 2013 - December 2013

This annual festival brings together the best of world cinema and international film culture and provides a major showcase for the exhibition of the Caribbean, Latin America and worldwide independent film.

Venue: Various venues.

Run Barbados

Date (To be confirmed): December 2013

The Run Barbados festival takes place annually on the first weekend in December. The event comprises a 10k, a half-Marathon and a Marathon

Website: www.runbarbados.org

Second Time Around

It was voting time in the U.S.A. again
As the race for the presidency began.
Mitt Romney, the Republican opponent
Thought he had a chance, and was
Determined to unseat the Democratic President.
So up and down the country he pranced
Holding babies and kissing grannies just for votes
And the same time, at Obama he gloats.

My television set I feared to watch
As time ticked by so slowly, tick, tock, tick, tock.
Barrack's opponent was closing in, ready for the kill
It was like a game of cat and mouse
As Romney so badly wants to
Claim the white house.

Oh Barack, Barack, how I squirmed
As Romney votes seemed to be standing firm.
My television set was now turned off,
For Barack, I could not handle those words "lost".
I sent a pray up above
For God to send him down his love.

And pretty soon all hell broke loose
And someone called with the good news,
History has repeated itself once more
Barack Obama has conquered another 'Four'
As President and Commander in Chief, he stated his claim
Yes, He's back in the white house once again.

Despite all the fury and the logos they displayed
Such as "no drama, Obama"
Or "too cool for school"
I'll just add mine to the pack,
"You're back, Obama, and that's a fact"

Shirley Alleyne

Nov/2012

NCBAC Conference 2013

This year the NCBAC will be celebrating its' 29th annual conference. Hosted by NCBAC Central Toronto from May 17th - 20th 2013.

Conference events include a welcome reception, workshops, a banquet, bus tour of Toronto and more!

Full registration is \$225.00 which covers the Saturday morning's breakfast, all workshops, Saturday's lunch, Saturday's Banquet, and bus tour + lunch and the Cultural Show on Sunday. Please register with your local Association.



BARBADOS ASSOCIATION OF WINNIPEG INC.



PRESENTS Bajan Night

SATURDAY, JUNE 22ND, 2013

Glenwood Community Centre

27 Overton Street in St. Vital

Beer opens at 5:00 p.m.
Dinner from 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

A Warm Welcome Awaits You.

For tickets please call:

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Bajan Night

Bajan Night our signature fundraising event has been held each year since 1979. Bajan night is held on the 4th Saturday in June, at which guest enjoy a fabulous Bajan dinner, live entertainment, a sampling of the Barbadian cuisine, dancing and of course, good Bajan company.

Everyone is invited to join us at this annual gathering of Bajans, Canadians, West Indians and all who love Barbados.