



July 7, 2026

Dear Artists,

You are invited to participate in the Inaugural **Caribbean Fine Art (CaFA) Fair NYC**, scheduled for **October 30 – November 1, 2026 at the Caribbean Cultural Center African Diaspora Institute – Ile Oyin, Harlem, NYC**. Since 2011 CaFA Fair has presented an annual curated exposition in Barbados highlighting drawings, paintings, photography, sculpture and new media by art galleries, institutions, and individual artists representing the Dutch, English, French and Spanish speaking Caribbean, as well the Diaspora Dialogue exhibit featuring the art of the African diaspora. **Caribbean Fine Art (CaFA) Fair NYC** will offer a similar brand of diversity, quality, and excitement to a potential audience in the thousands. We encourage artists working in all media to apply, as we continue to explore universal subjects affecting our quality of life, such the effects of climate change, gun violence, economic and social justice.

Since the turn of the 21st Century, Caribbean creatives, artists and academics have seen a dramatic increase in the interest and scholarship of Caribbean art, evidenced by major Museum exhibitions, art fair and biennale invitations, while several of the world's most knowledgeable collectors continue to add Caribbean art to their collections. Over its 16 years, CaFA Fair Barbados has established itself as a significant event on the cultural calendar where Caribbean art is highlighted, and the place for collectors and curators to find highly collectible works. Introducing this unique event to the Art Calendar in the Capital of International art will only enhance the opportunities for participating artists to meet important collectors, build important institutional relationships and advance their careers.

We have assembled a comprehensive list of corporate, government, private sector, and media support and are excited to work with our longtime supporter, Dwyer Cultural Center in Harlem, to launch CaFA Fair NYC. The Fair opens Friday, October 30, 2026, with a Gala Reception, featuring live entertainment, special guests, and delectable Caribbean cuisine.

To be a part of this landmark event, we invite you to submit the enclosed application form **no later than Friday, August 21**. Should you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at ampilgrim@hotmail.com or 646 267-8831 (available via what's app). Logistical and shipping details will be available on www.cafafair.com, our event website. We are certainly looking forward to your participation.

Sincerely,

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