

Pote Kole for Haiti

("Carry and stick together" for Haiti)

Haitian and Brazilian Dance Workshop with Jean Appolon & Deraldo Ferreira

Sunday, May 9, 2010 | 3pm -5pm | YWCA Central Square | 7 Temple Street, Cambridge

\$25 on the day of the event, \$20 in advance. All proceeds to benefit the Oxfam America Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund. Live Haitian and Samba drumming throughout the workshop. To reserve an advance ticket, email Michelle at mtalukdar@oxfamerica.org.



Jean Josue Appolon

Jean Josue Appolon grew up in Port-Au-Prince, Haiti, where he began dancing at the age of 13. In 1991 Jean received a scholarship to study with Lynn Williams Rousier Dance School for Ballet and traditional Haitian Folkloric dance. At that time, he studied and performed with companies including Viviane Gauthier Dance Company and the Folkloric Ballet of Haiti. After moving to the US, Jean studied dance at the Harvard and Raddiffe Dance Program, Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, and graduated from the Joffrey American Ballet School. Jean has also performed with Rainbow Tribe Company, Elma Lewis Productions (Black Nativity), Marlene Silva, North Star Ballet Company, Black Door Dance Company, and the Atlantic City Ballet Company. Jean teaches dance in New York City and Boston and aspires to further develop his skills as a choreographer and bring his danced visions to the stage.



Deraldo Ferreira

Mestre Deraldo Ferreira is Founder and Artistic Director of The Brazilian Cultural Center of New England which has been designated one of three Brazilian "Cultural Points" in the US, by Brazilian Minister of Culture, Gilberto Gil. Mestre Deraldo brings a 35 year tenure in Capoeira, Samba drumming and dancing, musical composition and choreography. He is a music and dance soloist with the Symphony Orchestra, La Pasión, and has performed with them throughout North & South America, Europe, and Asia. Deraldo is a performer with Young Audiences of Massachusetts and regularly does educational performances at schools throughout the state. In the 1990's he founded and continues to direct the Brazilian music and dance troupe Samba Tremeterra. Of equal importance is Mestre Deraldo's talent and experience as an instructor – he teaches music, dance, and Capoeira throughout New England, Montreal, Canada and Italy.

