



ACTIVATE WITH AFRICA: CLIMATE CHANGE, CONNECTIONS, AND ACTION March 20-22, 2024 | Hayes Mansion, San Jose, California, USA - Silicon Valley

# Ramadan Mubarak and Centering Attendee Experiences at ADIS24

We would like to wish all our entire Muslim community a Happy Ramadan. As you begin this holy month, we wish you happiness, growth and renewed hope and dedication in all your endeavors. May peace and blessings visit your families this month and always.

For those of you attending our upcoming <u>symposium</u> next week, we have booked a dedicated prayer room at the Hayes Mansion. Dietary accommodations and considerations have been made for all our guests, and we look forward to providing you with a variety of options throughout the event.

Guests can also look forward to a variety of beautiful art work by local Silicon Valley artists and moving live music by our lineup of incredible performers. At ADIS24, you will not just network and learn, you will dance, eat, laugh and make lifelong connections.

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**ADIS24 Entertainers Line Up** 

**Best Damn Steelband** 



Band leader Peter Best and members
Sharon Baird and Paul Snagg, have been
entertaining audiences across Northern
California, Reno and Tahoe area with
authentic Caribbean Steeldrum music for
over 20 years. The band comprises
musicians from the Caribbean Islands of
St. Lucia, Trinidad and Tobago and
Grenada. Their Soca and Reggae music
on Steedrums makes this band a very
special treat for any audience.

## **Destiny Muhammad**



Destiny Muhammad is a Recording/
Performing Artist, Band Leader,
Composer & Producer. Her vast music
genre, from Celtic to Coltrane, is cool and
eclectic with a feel of Jazz & storytelling
to round out the sonic experience.
Destiny has opened for The Oakland East
Bay Symphony and Smooth Jazz Artist
Gerald Albright, shared the stage with
Jazz Masters Marcus Shelby, Omar Sosa,
Blue Note Artist Ambrose Akisemuire,
and Azar Lawrence to name a few.

## **Fua Dia Kongo**



Fua Dia Kongo (Fua) is a nonprofit cultural arts organization dedicated to the preservation and promotion of Kongolese cultural legacies worldwide. Founded in 1977, by the late worldrenowned master artist (Ta) Malonga Casquelourd, Fua's artmaking is centered in the traditions of descendants of the Kongo Kingdom (modern-day Republic of

the Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo and Angola). With a renewed focus on global ambassadorship, research and cultural restoration, Fua Dia Kongo serves as a unifying force, safeguarding traditional art forms and reconnecting the descendants of the Kongo Kingdom across the globe.

#### Olu Jazz



Olu Jazz aka Oluwole Alabi is an international recording and performing smooth jazz artiste. He was born in Nigeria where he trained and gained vast musical knowledge before moving to the United states. He's well known with his smooth, soulful and powerful saxophone sound. Olu Jazz has shared stage with great legends such as Gerald Albright, Tiwa Savage, D'banj, Hugh Masekela, to mention few. Oluwole Alabi loves life, people and above all, he loves God.

#### **Oriki Arts**



Oriki Arts is an award-winning Bay Area based performing arts company that brings to audiences a shared experience of Africa, its people and their way of life through a unique combination of dance, drama, music, poetry, folk stories, chants and the drum.

#### Pope Flynn



Pope is an artist, a master drummer/choreographer; an educator/music producer; a performer/composer; keyboardist; and a vocalist. He has been on the faculty of Saint Mary's College of California since 2000 where he teaches African dance, music and drumming. A talented and multi instrumentalist, his vast repertoire of music includes hi-life music of Ghana and Nigeria, as well as reggae, jazz and Afro-rock. Check out some of his tunes and albums on Amazon.

#### **Register for ADIS today!**



Celebrate Women's Month with Us:
A Pioneering Event on Economic Empowerment

As we continue to honor Women's Month, the African Diaspora Network (ADN) remains dedicated to highlighting and addressing the pivotal role of women in

shaping our world. This month is more than a celebration; it's a call to action to recognize, invest in, and accelerate the progress of women globally.

In alignment with the spirit of Women's Month, we are hosting a virtual event to delve into the theme "Invest in Women: Accelerate Progress." Join us March 29 at noon EST as we spotlight the critical need for increased investment in women and to explore the transformative impact such investments have on global progress.

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#### Taco Bell Foundation - The Ambition Accelerator

Taco Bell Foundation - The Ambition Accelerator is a social impact challenge for young people, ages 16-26, with bold ideas for creating positive change in their communities and beyond. \$25,000 Award.

Deadline: March 14, 2024.

Apply: <a href="https://www.tacobellfoundation.org/ambition-accelerator/">https://www.tacobellfoundation.org/ambition-accelerator/</a>

#### Echo360 e3 Tech Grants

Echo360 e3 Tech Grants will award up to 20 recipients with cash or software grants US \$2,000 in cash or up to \$5,000 in software in two categories: EchoImpact and EchoInnovation.

**Deadline**: 3/22/2024

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#### T-Mobile Hometown Grants

T-Mobile Hometown Grants will fund projects that foster local connections, like technology upgrades, outdoor spaces, the arts, and community centers.

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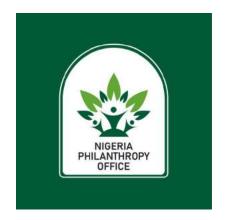






























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- Be an organizational sponsor and support the African Diaspora Network to bring together diverse people from around the world to collaborate and work

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