

# The Kingdom of Oyotunji African Village

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LIVING CULTURE • FEEDING COMMUNITY • CELEBRATING TRADITION



**Volunteer Packet**

56 Bryant Lane

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*In time the field belongs to the leopard*

# Letter to our Volunteers

Dear Volunteer,

As we jumpstart the planning and implementation for our **2013 Oyotunji African Village Festival Calendar**, we want to thank you for rendering your time, energy and resources to the 2012 festivals and work projects. Our history teaches us that all community based movements are as effective as the collective efforts of those who sacrifice for the betterment of the whole. The collective works of our volunteers keep our festival season afloat and for this we say thank you!

The Kingdom of Oyotunji African Village is taking a new direction; one that will incorporate a more inclusive approach to the interaction with the Diaspora and our global Pan-African community. As such, the OAV repositioning mantra is **LIVING CULTURE•FEEDING COMMUNITY•CELEBRATING TRADITION.**

We are excited about our multi-layered 2013 Festival Schedule. New to each Festival is the Friday evening Opening Ceremony, Meet & Greet and Cultural Documentary Film Series. Additionally, every Saturday between 1pm-3pm will be a Lunch & Lecture Series, which will provide a traditional West African lunch to Festival attendees, as well as, provide an element of education, via lecture, with topics focused on the patron Deity of each particular Festival.

To coordinate the on the ground support for the 2013 OAV Festivals , we are now wanting to contact and organize our volunteers.

Available Festival Committees are listed below. Please respond with the areas of interest with which you would like to volunteer.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Logistics            | <input type="checkbox"/> Registration               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Security             | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity & Communications |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality          | <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Audio/Visual & Media | <input type="checkbox"/> Education                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Camping              | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                |

As we move forward in our new direction, Oyotunji will soon be implementing the “Done-In-A-Day” projects, as well as the “Ise Aiye” work weekends, which will provide a multitude of trainings, workshops, hands-on projects, and tools to learn new skills and enhance old ones in various areas of trade. Look for more information regarding these and other upcoming programs on our new website at [oyotunji.org](http://oyotunji.org).

Attached you will find a Festival Schedule so that you may have an idea of when you would like to volunteer. Please include your tentative dates of availability in your response to this letter.

Again thank you for signing up to become a Volunteer for the 2013 Oyotunji African Village Festival Season.

We look forward to working with you soon!

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**Igbe Ga Alade**  
February 8-11, 2013



**Odun Olokun**  
February 22-24, 2013



**Yoruba New Year**  
March 21, 22-24, 2013



**Orita Festival**  
April 22-24, 2013



**Odun Osun**  
May 3-5, 2013



**Festival of Egungun**  
May 24-June 2, 2013



**Festival of Yemonja**  
June 21-23, 2013



**Odun Ifa ati**  
Pan-African Grassroots Assembly  
July 4-7, 2013



**Odun Sango**  
July 26-28, 2013



**Festival of Obatala**  
August 24-26, 2013



**Odun Oba ati**  
ATA Annual Meeting  
October 4-6, 2013



**Odun Oya**  
October 25-27, 2013



**Damballa Hwedo**  
October 31, 2013



**Babalu Awon & Festival**  
December 17, 21, 25, 31, 2013



**OAV 2013 FESTIVAL SCHEDULE**

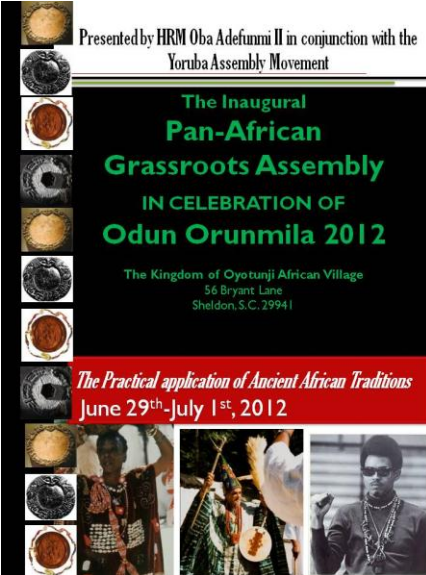
# Recent Events & Initiatives

Presented by HRM Oba Adefunmi II in conjunction with the Yoruba Assembly Movement

**The Inaugural Pan-African Grassroots Assembly**  
IN CELEBRATION OF  
**Odun Orunmila 2012**

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*The Practical application of Ancient African Traditions*  
June 29<sup>th</sup>-July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012




Celebrating Four Decades of Traditional African Sovereignty in North America

*Celebration of African Royalty*

Oyotunji African Village Presents  
**Kings Day** 2012  
Oct 5th thru 7th

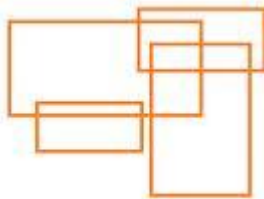
40<sup>th</sup> Annual  
**King's Day Festival**  
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# Current Strategic Alliances & Partnerships



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