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In Celebration of a Rich Cultural Legacy

Oakland, CA, April 8, 2008 - June is Caribbean-American Heritage Month! As a part of the national celebration the Caribbean-American Association of Northern California in association with Caribbean TV1 (CBTV1) and Jumbi Productions will host two events in Oakland, CA.

Sunday, June 15, 2008 at 1pm – 8pm, at the Woodminister Amphitheatre, Joaquin Miller Park, Oakland, CA **“Islands in the Park: Celebrating the Rich Cultural Heritage of the Caribbean through Music.” A Concert, Family Day and Picnic.**

The concert will feature various internationally known recording stars from the Caribbean including headliner, THIRD WORLD, the reggae ambassador from Jamaica; also BOMANI from St. Vincent & Grenadines; CAUSION from Antigua and Barbuda; CARLENE WELLS from Trinidad & Tobago; SHEILA HYLTON from Jamaica and New York; and DAVID REID BAND from Trinidad & Tobago to name a few.

Saturday, June 28, 2008 at 4:00 – 10:00pm at the Elihu M. Harris Building (State Building), 1515 Clay Street, Oakland, CA. **The 2nd Annual Caribbean-American Heritage Legacy Award (CALA) and Reception”: Celebrating & Honoring the Contributions of Caribbean-Americans.** *A red carpet affair, with a dash of Caribbean cuisine!*

Awards will be given in the field of sports, arts and entertainment, business and technology. This year’s **True Legend Award** will be presented to **E. R. Braithwaite**, world-renowned author of the book “To Sir, With Love.” Mr. Braithwaite was also Guyana’s Ambassador to the United Nations, Guyana’s Ambassador to Venezuela, and recently completed “Billingsly,” a children’s story. Other awardees are **Dwayne DeRosario**, U.S. Soccer Star; **Jeffrey Anderson-Gunter**, Actor, Producer, Playwright; **Dr. Opal Palmer Adisa**, Author, Professor; **Dr. Percy Hentzen**, Author, Professor, UC Berkeley; **Dr. Lawford L. Goddard**, Sociologist, Demographer; **Lloyd Carney**, Entrepreneur and CEO of XSigo. A special tribute to the life of **Madge Sinclair**, Teacher, Model, and most famously, Actress in “Roots,” “Coming to America,” and “Trapper John MD” will be given. Other invited guests are the Mayor of Oakland, Ron Dellums and Congresswoman Barbara Lee (D-Oakland).

For media for both events, contact Shorron Levy @ 510-832-5400, info@cbtv1.com

Tickets are available online @ caribbeanamerican.org, jumbiproductions.com, and various Caribbean outlets throughout the Bay Area.

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