African Drumming and Dance Ensemble Baruch J. Whitehead, Director

With the Worlds of Music Class and Special Guest Artist, Toby Foyeh and Orchestra Africa

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Ford Hall Thursday, March 23rd, 2017 8:15 pm



Program

Tobey Foyeh and Orchestra Africa

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Biographies Toby Foyeh and Orchestra Africa

The band Toby Foyeh & Orchestra Africa has performed in USA, Canada, Europe, Japan the Caribbean at many international Jazz and City Festivals, Universities and Performing Arts Centers.

They play a unique blend of West African Yoruba music with western styles, including Jazz, Pop, fused with Afrobeat, Highlife and other traditional styles.

The band has performed at Fuji Rock Festival, Nigaata, Japan, more than 17 International Jazz Festivals including, Malta Jazz Festival, EU, Toronto Jazz Festival (thrice), Montreal Jazz Festival, Vancouver Jazz Festival, Calgary Jazz Festival, Medicine Hat Jazz Festival, Detroit Jazz Festival, Syracuse Jazz Festival, Washington DC Jazz Festival, Bahamas Jazz Festival, Jamaica Ocho Rios Jazz Festival, Grenada Jazz Festival, Curacao Jazz Festival, City Stages Birmingham , Al, Jubilee Cityfest Montgomery, Al, Pensacola, Fl Springfest, Kipona Festival, Harrisburg PA, Decatur Celebration, Decatur II, Waterfront Festival, Rockford IL, Albany Riverfest, Albany NY, African World Festival Detroit (thrice) Moja Festival, Grassroots Festival, Trumansburg NY, Sound Sessions, Providence RI, Gullah Festival Beaufort (twice) Notting Hill Carnival UK etc etc

They have performed at over 120 Universities in the US, including Universities of Oregon, Ohio, Maine, Vermont, Indiana, Notre Dame, West Virginia, East Kentucky, South Carolina (twice), Clemson (twice) Massachusetts (Amherst (twice) & Dartmouth) North Texas, East Carolina, Coastal Carolina University, Montana State, Iowa State, Savannah State (twice), South Carolina State (twice), Norfolk State University, Hampton University, Roanoke College, SUNY Farmingdale, SUNY Orange (twice) Texas Tech, Tennessee Tech, Middle Tennessee State University, Austin Peay State Univ. Rochester Institute of Tech NY, Berea College KY, University of the South TN (twice) etc etc and in the UK, University of London, East Anglia, Bristol, Reading, Mene College and Brighton Polytechnic, Bristol Polytechnic, etc

Performing Arts Centers events include Kennedy Center, Washington DC, Cerritos Center, Cerritos CA, Helen Hayes Performing Arts Center, NYACK NY, Kupferberg Center, Queens NY, Tucker Theater Mufreesboro, TN Norwich Arts Center, Norwich, UK. etc.

The group is very visual on stage and do an intense performance that incorporates modern african dance to enhance the music with colorful costumes, call and response singing supported by great melodic instruments, guitars, flutes keyboards and percussion featuring the Gangan (Yoruba talking Drum).

Worlds of Music Class

Lindsey Arena Alexis Berger Katharine Bird Thomas Brav Leo Catanzaro Binghong Chen Kevin Flanagan Claudia Franklin Ryan Gigarjian Chaim Goodman Haoyu Han Daniel Horowitz John Januszkiewicz Shyala Jayasinghe Roosevelt Lee Louis Levanti

Iennifer Lidwin Sean McGoldrick **Javsha** Patel Samantha Robinson Courtney Smith Katherine Snyder Samantha Springer lacob Sullivan Chanel Underwood Alejandro Vich Morgan Wawrzyniak Edward Weissman Alexis White **Justin Zelamsky** Theodore Zeritz **Benjamin Zucker**

African Drumming and Dance Ensemble

Ashley Ahl Madeleine Anthony Anissa Ash Lauren Astor Christopher Atanasoff Allan Bowen D'Laney Bowry Tiarra Braddock Keon Broadnax Benjamin Brown-McMillin Matthew Byers Dominique De Lisle Zsari Delaney **James Dellasala** Samuel Donata Molly Donovan Stephan Douglas-Allen Ryan Downie Alexis Fallon Bridget Fallon Gabrielle Gelbien Natalie Grande Zoe Green Veronica Griesemer John Ives

Kathryn Kandra Clare Kelly **Benjamin Laufer Jonathan Levin** William Link **Brittany Mechler** Sharon Mejia Samantha Mendiguren Philip Monka Zachary Myles Krystal Novaton Tara Perry Chandler Robertson Viktoria Schultz Alissa Settembrino Alexander Sgobbo Hannah Shade Warren Shaw Triniece Smith Josiah Spellman Horizon Starwood Rebecca Van der Meulen Christian Wagner Luke Waldner Carlynn Wolfe