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The Princeton Caribbean Connection (PCC) proudly presents the **3rd Annual A Taste of Carnival** taking place **Friday, April 28 through Sunday, April 30, 2006** on Princeton's campus! The theme of this year's conference is

**"Modern Day Exodus: The Caribbean Presence in America"**

On behalf of the PCC Executive Board, I would like to invite you and/or your organization to attend what promises to be an interesting and informative conference. With every passing year, this conference has grown in scale and depth and this year will be no exception. At the end of this letter you will find our most up-to-date agenda. We will send you updated versions as details of the conference come together. Thus far we have the following renowned Caribbean scholars confirmed to speak and are in the midst of confirming several others:

**-J.A. George Irish, Ph.D**

Executive Director of Caribbean Research Center and Professor of Interdisciplinary Studies, Medgar Evers College

**-Sherri- Ann P. Butterfield, Ph.D**

Assistant Professor of Sociology, Rutgers University- Newark

**-Holger Henke, Ph.D**

Assistant Professor of Political Science, Metropolitan College of New York

At this time we request that you, and/or your organization send us an e-mail indicating your level of interest so that we can have a better idea of how many people to expect. This e-mail is non-binding but helps us better gauge interest. If you and/or your organization want to attend, please reply to this e-mail with 1) the name of your organization, and 2) the number of people you estimate will be attending by *Friday, March 11, 2006*.

The cost of the conference is listed below. This price allows you access to all the events that weekend: breakfast, lunch, a sumptuous all you can eat Caribbean banquet,

cultural show, sessions, opening event, closing celebration featuring BET's own, DJ WALLAH and more! Online registration will be available shortly as well as information concerning hotel accommodations. Individuals can sign up and pay online as well as groups. If you pay as a group, be sure to e-mail us the names of all the people you are paying for.

**Early Registration (ends 3/24): \$20 USD**

**Regular Registration (starts 3/25, ends 4/21): \$30 USD**

**Late Registration (starts 4/21): \$40 USD**

\*\*Please note that conference tickets are non-refundable. Prices for non-conference attendees are \$12 for the dinner and \$10 for the closing celebration (discount w/ flag). \*\*

In addition, it has come to our attention that your school is greatly endowed with a vast amount of talented performance groups. Therefore we would like to extend our invitation to any of your dance, step, singing or instrumental groups that are interested in performing in our third annual cultural show. If you are interested in performing at the show or would like more information about it please e-mail [pcc@princeton.edu](mailto:pcc@princeton.edu) or contact Shekida Smith, PCC's Freshman Representative/Cultural Show Coordinator at 973.280.6402.

That's all for now, but if you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are updating our conference website at the moment but if you want to check it out here is the link: [http://www.princeton.edu/~pcc/pccconference/conference\\_06.html](http://www.princeton.edu/~pcc/pccconference/conference_06.html). Directions to Princeton's campus can be found at this site: <http://www/main/visiting/travel/>. If you need to reach me immediately, you can call 609.986.4981. We are excited at the prospect of meeting you and hope to hear from you soon!

Sincerely,

Marie-Dumesle Mercier

President, Princeton Caribbean Connection

P.S. If you are not the contact person for your school's organization please let me know who is so that I can send this information to the correct person. Feel free to send it to the correct contact person as well as anyone else you feel might be interested. Thanks!