



Third Annual Haitian Unity Convention  
 "Nurturing Our Youth For The Future"  
 Barry University, Miami, FL  
 January 25-27, 2008

**General Program**

**Friday January 25, 2008**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Registration		
10:00 am - 10:15 am	Opening Remarks	Auditorium	G. Toussaint, ARNP
10:15 am - 1:00 pm	Students' Forum	Auditorium	

**Saturday January 26, 2008**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
9:00 am - 10:30 am	Health Education	Room 1	HANA, AMHE
	Legal Empowerment	Room 2	HLA
10:30 am - 12:00 pm	Health Careers	Room 1	HANA
	Legal, Business Careers	Room 2	HLA, GIS
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch Break		
<b>1:00 pm - 1:45 pm</b>	<b>Haiti: Scapegoat for the HIV/AIDS Epidemic - Again.</b>	<b>Auditorium</b>	<b>Herold Merisier, MD</b>
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Education Empowerment	Room 1	
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Business Empowerment	Room 2	HACCOF
<b>3:00 pm - 4:00 pm</b>	<b>Keynote Speaker</b>	<b>Auditorium</b>	<b>Ralph Gilles, MBA</b>
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Haitian History and Culture	Room 1	Jerry Gilles, MD Yvrose Gilles



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**Sunday January 27, 2008**

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9:00 am - 11:00 am	Health Education and Health Careers	Room 1	AMHE
10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Haiti Projects	Room 2	HAHS, PROFAMIL
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Engineering	Room 1	HAES
12:00 pm - 12:30 pm	Financial Empowerment	Room 2	
12:00 pm - 12:30 pm	Religion	Room 1	
12:30 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch Break		
1:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Religion Forum	Auditorium	AHPSF
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Law Enforcement	Room 2	HAP-C
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Political Empowerment	Auditorium	HAP-C
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Haitian Media	Auditorium	AEDAP

**AEDAP:** Association of Exchange and Development of Activities & Partnership Inc.

**AHPSF:** Association of Haitian Pastors in South Florida

**AMHE:** Association des Medecins Haitiens à l'Etranger (Association of Haitian Physicians Abroad)

**Friends of PROFAMIL/IPPF:** International Planned Parenthood Federation

**GIS:** Growing Individual Successes

**HACCOF:** Haitian American Chamber of Commerce of Florida

**HAES:** Haitian Association of Engineers and Scientists

**HAHS:** Haitian American Historical Society

**HANA:** Haitian American Nurses Association of South Florida

**HAP-C:** Haitian American Professional Coalition

**HLA:** Haitian Lawyers Association



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Students' Forum

*Moderator: Magaly Rouzier, MD & Herold Merisier, MD*

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10:00 am - 10:15 am	Opening Remarks	Gracelle Toussaint, APRN-BC, MSN
10:15 am - 11:00 am	Good Grades: Does it Really Matter?	Jean Caze, Musician Winner of Essay Competition
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Motivation To Excel in School	Karen Andre, Esq. Onesky Aupont, MD, MPH, MA, PhD
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Public Speaking Seminar	Roshell Rosemond, MBA Rep. Yolly Roberson, RN, Esq.



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**Morning Sessions**  
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Health Education

*Moderator: Anssie Blot, RN*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
9:00 am - 9:30 am	Overactive Bladder and Urinary Incontinence	Angelo Gousse, MD
9:30 am - 10:00 am	Colorectal Cancer	Odianne Medacier, MSN, ARNP
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Breast Cancer	Guerna Blot, RN, MSN, OCN, MBA Marlene Cesar, ARNP, MSN, PMHNP

Health Careers

*Moderator: Maria Levasseur*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
10:30 am - 11:00 am	How To Get Into Nursing School?	Marie Etienne, ARNP, MSN
11:00 am - 11:30 am	How To Get Into Dental School?	Emmanuelle Zennie
11:30 am - 12:00 pm	How To Get Into Medical School?	Litzrudy Justinvil Jedlyn Pierrilus Agnes Murphy

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Legal Empowerment

*Moderator: Beatrice Cazeau, Esq.*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Foreclosure Crisis: A Closer Look	Roland Cherasard, Esq. Regine Monestime, Esq. Donna Gousse, Esq.
10:00 am - 10:30 am	The Decline of the Real Estate Housing Market: How it Affects you	Roland Cherasard, Esq. Regine Monestime, Esq. Donna Gousse, Esq.

Legal and Business Careers

*Moderator: Diemsk Jean*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
10:30 am - 11:00 am	How to Get Into Law School?	Karen Andre, Esq.
11:00 am - 11:30 am	How to Get your MBA?	Serge Hyppolite
11:30 am - 12:00 pm	Preparing Your 30 seconds Elevator Speech	Roshell Rosemond, MBA

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Education Empowerment

*Moderator: Serge Hyppolite*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
2:00 pm - 2:30 pm	How to Get Financial Aid?	Roland Toussaint
2:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Tips for an Effective Parents-Teacher Conference	Maria Levasseur

Haitian History and Culture

*Moderator: Burnett Moise, MD*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	"Zonbi Vrè Istwa Esklavaj": Zombies, The Real History of Slavery	Jerry Gilles, MD Yvrose Gilles

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**Room 2**

Business Empowerment

*Moderator: Josette Cantave*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
2:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Small Business and Taxation	Pierre Saliba
2:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Why Get Involved With Your Chamber?	Francois Guillaume, MPA



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Health Education and Health Careers

*Moderator: Marie-Denise Gervais, MD*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
9:00 am - 9:30 am	Management of Urinary Incontinence & Pelvic Prolapse	Angelo Gousse, MD
9:30 am - 10:00 am	Hypertension and Diabetes	Smith Joseph, DO
10:00 am - 10:30 am	How to Get Into Pharmacy School?	Fatima Calixte, Pharm.D.
10:30 am - 11:00 am	Chiropractice & Treatment of Back Pain	Claude Douze, D.C.

Engineering

*Moderator: Charles Blot*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
11:00 am - 11:30 am	Blue Energy Project	Marc A. Leveille
11:30 am - 12:00 pm	Water Resources in Haiti	Alain Haspill

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 Room 1**

Religion

*Moderator: Bernard Eugene, MSCM, MURP*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
12:00 pm - 12:30 pm	Bwa Kayiman e Relijon: Bwa Kayiman and Religion	Rev. Burnett Moise, MD

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch Break



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Haiti Projects

*Moderator: Fatima Calixte, Pharm.D. & Emmanuelle Zennie*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Water Problems in Haiti: Sources and Solutions	Bernard Eugene, MSCM, MURP
10:30 am - 11:00 am	Public Education in Haiti	Councilman Jacques Despinosse
11:00 am - 11:30 am	Savannah Project	Claude Charles
11:30 am - 12:00 pm	Healthcare Challenges in Haiti	Elizabeth Philippe, MD, MPH Aude Sicard, MBA

Financial Empowerment

*Moderator: Schiller Jerome, MBA*

12:00 pm - 12:30 pm	Financial Planning for College and Retirement	Gwenaelle Romain, CFP
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Law Enforcement

*Moderator: Thedy Brezault*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
1:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Crime Prevention	Commander Gary Eugene

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 Auditorium**

Religion Forum

*Moderator: Pastor Gabriel Demosthene*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Role of the Church in The Community	TBA

Political Empowerment

*Moderator: Gerard Philippeaux*

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Round Table Discussion	TBA

Haitian Media

*Moderator: Flore Lindor-Latortue*

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3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Round Table Discussion	TBA