

JAMAICA 50 LOCAL CALENDAR OF CELEBRATORY EVENTS

March 2012 - December 2012

(PLEASE NOTE THAT EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE)

DATE	CELEBRATORY EVENTS	VENUE	CONTACT	EMAIL	WEBSITE
March					
March 1	UTECH's COMMEMORATION OF JAMAICA 50 (launch)	Lillian Restaurant, JA	UTECH Ezekiel Reid	ereid@utech.edu.jm	
March 4-10	ELASHA SPRING FEST	Negril, JA	Elsaha Ministries Darren Brown	elashaministries@yahoo.com	
March 12	ANNIVERSARY LECTURE "50 Years Backward and Forward?"	Pegasus hotel, JA	UTECH Ezekiel Reid	ereid@utech.edu.jm	
March 22	COMMUNITY SERVICE CONCERT/ FASHION SHOW	Papine Park, JA	UTECH Ezekiel Reid	ereid@utech.edu.jm	
March 26	ACTOR BOY AWARDS	Little Theatre , JA	Jamaica Association of Dramatic Artists Tele: 389-7881	admin@actorboyawards.com	
March 28-3	BOYS AND GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP	National Stadium, JA	Independence Park Limited		

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April					
April 10	IGDS/SALISES Through Women's Eyes: Conversations on Independence	Courtleigh Hotel, JA	Sir Arthur Lewis Institute UWI		
April 14	TRACK AND FIELD CLASSIC	National Stadium, JA	UTECH Ezekiel Reid	ereid@utech.edu.jm	
TBA	LIBRARY EXHIBITION	UTECH, JA	UTECH Ezekiel Reid	ereid@utech.edu.jm	
April 21	The 17 th Annual Jakes Off Road Triathlon	TBA, JA	Jakes Hotel Villa & Spa Jason Henzell Tele: 965-3000/965-3641	jason@jakeshotel.com	
April 22 – 30	PRO AM GOLF TOURNAMENT	Island wide, JA	Jamaica 50 th Anniversary Committee, Canada (416)598-3008		
April 22- 24	Caribbean Actuarial Association CAA/IPEBLA 2012 Conference	Half Moon Conference Center, JA	Betty Sullivan & Cathy Lyn	bettys@cwjamaica.com clyn@sympatico.ca	
April 25- 27	National Achievement Expo	Denbeigh Showgrounds, JA	4H Club Lenworth Fulton / Farrah Blake	ftblake@yahoo.com	
April 26 - 29	EXPO JAMAICA 50	Natl. Indoor Sports Arena, JA	Jamaica Manufacturers' Association Tele : 922-8880-3		

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April 28-29	KINGSTON PON DI RIVER, LITERARY, ARTS & MUSIC FESTIVAL	Boone Hall Oasis, Stony Hill, JA	Ms. Dollis Campbell	dynamicevents@gmail.com	
April 28	Annual Ladies Day at Caymanas Track	Caymanas Park, JA	Michael Stibles	msibbles@caymanaspark.com	
April 29	PREMEIR OF MARLEY DEFINITIVE STORY	Emancipation Park, JA	Bob Marley Museum Jacqueline Lynch Stewart	jlynchstewart@bobmarleymuseum.org	
April 29	Liguanea Art Festival	TBA, JA	Sheryl Chung	liguaneafestival@gmail.com	

May

May 5	JAMAICA INVITATIONAL ATHLETIC MEET	National Stadium, JA	Jamaica Athletics Association 978-7102		www.trackandfieldja.com
May 6, 11 – 13, 19 -23 & 25 -27	THE GEM' Children's Pantomime	Courtleigh Auditorium , JA	Uberhouse Productions Ltd	uberhouseproductions@gmail.com	
May 16 – 19	Energy Expo/ Research and Technology Days	Utech Papine Campus, JA	UTECH Ezekiel Reid	ereid@utech.edu.jm	
May 19	Miss Universe Jamaica 2012 Coronation Show	TBA, JA	Miss Universe Jamaica 2012 Tess-Maria Leon	Tessmaria.leon@missuniversejamaica.com	

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May 20	Live performance of Padmashri Pankaj Udhas	Montego Bay Convention Centre, JA	Vijay Sadarangani Friends for Education	ffembj@gmail.com	
May 23	NATIONAL LABOUR DAY	National Heroes Park, JA	Ministry of Youth & Culture Tele: 978-7654		
May 23	MNS Securing Our Nation Exposition	UDC Southern Car Park, JA	Ministry of National Security		
May 23- 27	Saint International Style Week	TBA, JA	Dwight Peters	saintinternational@gmail.com	
May 24 – June24	University Singers Concert Season	JA	University Singers Noel Dexter	universitiesingers1938@gmail.com	
May 24 – 25	Jamaica Praise- Cruise with a Cause	TBA	Dove Ministries International Lorna Chambers	info@jamaicapraisefest.org	
May 25	HOT 102FM MOASIS LIGHTHOUSE FAVOURITE TEACHER COMPETITION	TBA, JA	Institute of Protocol & Etiquette Rev Miranda Sutherland		
May 25- 27	CALABASH INTERNATIONAL LITERARY FESTIVAL	Treasure Beach ,Ja	Jakes Hotel Villa& Spa Jason Henzell Tele:965-3000/965-3641		www.calabashfestival.org
May 25-27	NEVILLE ALEXANDER MEMORIAL SWIM MEET	TBA, JA			
May 26	Agricultural & Food Show	Jamaica College Grounds, JA	Senator Norman Grant	cbsnorman@kasnet.com	
	FRIENDS OF TRELAWNY ASSOCIATION: JAMAICA/TRELAWNY MEANS BUSINESS 2012	TBA, JA			

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May 25 May 26 May 27	Black Tie GALA Jamaica Golden Jubilee Event Jamaica Trelawny Small Business & Investment Expo Annual Reunion Picnic				
May 31	NCU Media Group Peace March in Mandeville	Starts at NCU Gymnasium, Mandeville	Keisha Francis	keisha.francis@ncu.edu.jm	
May 31	St. Ann Association of Branch Societies: Agricultural Show	Browns Town, JA	Howard Williams	howard_a_williams@yaho.com	

June

June 2	OUT OF MANY ONE MUSIC CONCERT In honour of Dr. Don Shirley	University Chapel, Mona, JA 7:00pm	Music Unites Jamaica Foundation Rosina Moder Tele: 434-4121	musicunites.jamaica@gmail.com	
June 2	Jamaica Youth for Christ Jubilee Prayer Breakfast	Knutsford Court Hotel, JA 8:00am	Rev. Dexter Johnson	jamaicayfcl@gmail.com	
June 3 -5	WORLD ANNUAL DOMINO CHAMPIOSHIPS	Montego Bay, JA	National Association of domino Bodies : 908-0893		www.nadb.net
June 3	A FEAST OF MUSIC	Pegasus Hotel, Ja	Meadowbrook United Church	cathyceb@gmail.com	
June 4 & 6	Jamaica Cancer Society Seminar on Cancer Prevention & Cure	TBA, JA	Hilary Phillips	www.jamaicacancersociety.org	

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June 6	REGGAE GOES OPERA A Reasoning with Music	Vera Moody Concert Hall, Edna Manley Coll.	Music Unites Jamaica Foundation Rosina Moder Tele: 434-4121	musicunites.jamaica@gmail.com	
June 7	UWI School of Nursing Symposium	UWI, JA	Janeil A Brown	janeil.brown02@uwimona.edu.jm	
June 8	Jamaica Govt. Pensioners Association Health & Wellness Fair	St. Andrew Parish Chruch Hall	Charles Jones	jgpaoffice@gmail.com	
June 9	Ocho Rios Jazz Festival	Ocho Rios, JA	Myrna Hauge Bradshaw		
June 16	Jamaica Driver & Traffic Safety Expo	Ranny Williams Centre, JA	Alphonso Grennell	grennells@cwjamaica.com	
June 17	Premier of Akwantu: 'The Journey'	TBA, JA	Institute of Jamaica Tele: 922-0621-4		
June 17	Soroptimist International Jamaica Annual Classics Concert	TBA, JA	Maxine Wedderburn	maxwed@cwjamaica.com	
June 17- 23	Spanish Town Hospital 60th Anniversary - Open Day and outside broadcast ; Opening of the Queen Sophia Women's Centre ; Benefit Dinner	TBA, JA	South East Regional Health Authority Mark Martin		
June 17 -20	The Jamaica Netball Association International Series with South Africa	NISC, JA	The Jamaica Netball Association Tel: 968-0625		

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TBA	NATIONAL TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS	National Stadium, JA			
June 28 – July 1	JDF MILITARY TATTOO	Up Park Camp, JA	Lt. Col. Jaimie Ogilvie		
June 30	TRENDZ Expo	Jamaica College, JA	Makada Haye Tele: 436-4820	yeeswecreate@gmail.com	

July

July 4	Right Honourable Norman Manley's Birthday	TBA, JA	Jamaica Cultural Development Commission (JCDC) Tele: 926-5726-9	jcdc@cwjamaica.com	www.jcdc.org.jm
July 7	JAMAICA FESTIVAL SONG COMPETITION Finals	TBA, JA	Jamaica Cultural Development Commission (JCDC) Tele: 926-5726-9	jcdc@cwjamaica.com	www.jcdc.org.jm
July 8	JAMAICA GOSPEL SONG COMPETITION Finals	TBA, JA	Jamaica Cultural Development Commission (JCDC) Tele: 926-5726-9	jcdc@cwjamaica.com	www.jcdc.org.jm
July 14	Caribbean Shrimp Festival	hitter Village, Ironshore, JA	Jackie Norman	event@caribbeanshrimpfest.com	www.caribbeanshrimpfest.com
July 17	Soroptimist International Jamaica Annual Classics in June Concert	TBA, JA	Maxine Wedderburn	maxwed@cwjamaica.com	
July 19	BEST OF FESTIVAL JCDC	TBA, JA			
July 15	FUN IN THE SON	National Heroes	Glory Music Limited Tele: 920-3648	glorymusicja@gmail.com	

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		Park, JA			
July 15 -21 July 15 July 16 July 17 July 18 July 19 July 20 July 21	REGGAE SUMFEST 2012 Beach Party Sam Sharpe square JAM50/SUMFEST street party SUMFEST Awards JAM 50 Ceremony Sound system Jamaica 50 Dancehall Night International Night International Night	Montego Bay, JA	Sumfest Office : 953-2933		www.reggaesumfest.com
July 22	MS JAMAICA 50 FESTIVAL QUEEN Coronation	Ranny Williams Entertainment Centre, JA			
July 25	Jamaica Retirement Expo 2012	TBA, JA	Argus Distributors Len Davidson Tel:903-3250/899-5043	argusdistributors@gmail.com	
July 28	Bickle Mi Dis Bickle Mi Dat Once Upon A Toys Festival	Jamaica College grounds, JA	Coast 2 Coast Media & Productions Tel: 473-0167	whatacelebration@yahoo.com	
July 29	Emancipation Park : Thanksgiving Service	Emancipation Park, JA	Lisa Grant Tele : 926-6312	LGrant@nht.gov.jm	
July 31	Emancipation Park : Anniversary Concert	Emancipation Park, JA	Lisa Grant Tele : 926-6312	LGrant@nht.gov.jm	
TBA	The Role of Tertiary Education in Jamaica's	Papine Campus,	UTECH	ereid@utech.edu.jm	

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	Development – Symposium Documentary – UTECH History & Achievements	JA	Ezekiel Reid		
August					
August 1-5 August 1 August 2 August 3 August 4 August 5 August 5 August 6	OPENING OF JAMAICA 50 INDEPENDENCE JUBILEE VILLAGE JCDC Jamaica50 Independence Exposition August Fair & Reggae Night Mello Go Roun Independence Nostalgia World Reggae dance Festival Jamaica Praise Independence Street Parade Independence Grand Gala	Island Wide, JA National Arena Indoor Sports Cen. Indoor Sports Cen.	Jamaica Cultural Development Commission (JCDC) Tele: 926-5726-9	jcdc@cwjamaica.com	www.jcdc.org.jm
August 1	Emancipation Park : Freedom Festival	Emancipation Park, JA	Lisa Grant Tele : 926-6312	LGrant@nht.gov.jm	
August 1-6	DREAM WEEKEND	Negril , JA	Deane Shepherd/Kamal Bankay / Anna Priestly 924-6761		
August 4-6	DENBIGH AGRICULTURAL SHOW	May Pen , JA	Jamaica Agricultural Society 922-0610-2		www.jas.org.jm

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August 3-6	Art Jam50 Showcase	Elgos Art Gallery , Mobay, JA	Errol 'Elgos' Lewis Tele: 971-3310	elargotten@yahoo.com	
August 4 -5	3 rd Annual Jakes Beach 5 Aside Football Invitational	TBA, JA	Jakes Hotel Villa& Spa Jason Henzell Tele:965-3000/965-3641	stay@jakeshotel.com	
August 8	Paggee Fisherman's Regatta	Paggee Fisherman's Village St. Mary, JA	Ms Lacks-Dean Anderson	lmdspromo@yahoo.com	
August 11	Merl Grove High Sch. Past Student's Association Fundraising Banquet	Karram Speid Auditorium, JA	Elizabeth Watson		
August 15	2014 World Cup Preliminary Competition International Friendly	TBA,JA	Jamaica Football Federation Tel : 929-8036, 926-1182	jamff@hotmail.com	www.jamaicafootballfed eration.com
August 18	Jamaica Independence Anniversary	Hilton Hotel, JA	VP Record Distributors Inc. Patricia Chin Tele: 718-425-1100		www.vprecords.com
August 18 - 19	CRICKETFEST	Sabina Park, JA	Sports Innovators Paul Campbell	pcampbell@sportsinnovators.com	
August 20-25	SALISES Conference-Fifty-Fifty: Critical Reflections in a Time of Uncertainty	Pegasus Hotel , JA	Sir Arthur Lewis Institute UWI		
August 24	Spanish Town Music Festival	Spanish Town Prison Oval	Owen Rowe	jamlivebandmusic@gmail.com	
August 25 -27	Agriculture & Sustainable Development Cluster	TBA, JA	Sir Arthur Lewis Institute UWI		

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September					
September 7 - 6 14 - 16	ASHE Performing Arts Company Season Performance " Lift Up Jamaica"	TB A, JA	Jomain McKenzie	ahseperforms@gmail.com	www.aheperforms.com
September 14 & 16	THE Royal Philharmonic Orchestra	Montego Bay Kingston, JA	National Youth Orchestra of Jamaica Nigel Clarke	nclarke@cwjamaica.com	
September 22	Miss Global International	Montego Bay Convention Center ,JA	Lachu Ramchandani	pageantambassador@hotmail.com	
September 23	Education Roundtable	UWI, JA	Sir Arthur Lewis Institute UWI		
September 28	Wine & Food Festival	TBA, JA	Yasmine Salmon- Russell	fundhfj@infochan.com	
September 29	SALISES, PIOJ & DEPT. OF ECON. Growth Inducement Seminar	Mona Visitors' Lodge, JA	Sir Arthur Lewis Institute UWI		
October					
October 4	IGDS/SALISES Through Women's Eyes: Conversations on Independence	Courtleigh Hotel, JA	Sir Arthur Lewis Institute UWI		
October 5-7	4 th Jamaica International Synchronizing Swimming Championship	YMCA, Bournemouth Swim Complex, JA	Diahann Campbell Tele: 816-0150/ 408-0150	diahann.campbell@gmail.com	
October 5- 7 12 - 13	ASHE Performing Arts Company Season Performance " Lift Up Jamaica"	TBA, JA	Jomain McKenzie	ahseperforms@gmail.com	www.aheperforms.com

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October 8 -15	6 Nation FastNet Netball Series [Botswana, Northern Ireland, Trinidad & Tobago, USA & Barbados]	NICS, JA	The Jamaica Netball Association Tel: 968-0625		
October 9 - 12	Commonwealth Association of Surveying and Land Economy Conference	Wyndham Hotel, JA	Mary sorum	msorum@flowja.com	
October 10-15	Merritone Music's 22 nd Reunion and Homecoming	TBA, JA	Lorna Bess Tele: 944-3621 / 859-4547	lornajean@cwjamaica.com	
October 10 -21	REGGAE OPERA MIKEY	Phillip Sherlock Cen. UWI, JA	Music Unites Jamaica Foundation Rosina Moder Tele: 434-4121	musicunites.jamaica@gmail.com	
October 16	2014 World Cup Preliminary Competition Jamaica to host Antigua & Barduda	Ntl. Stadium, JA	Jamaica Football Federation Tel : 929-8036, 926-1182	jamff@hotmail.com	www.jamaicafootballfederation.com
October 19- 20	Child Research Conference-Promoting Child Rights with Equity: Our Children in Post-Independence Times	Jamaica Conference Centre	Sir Arthur Lewis Institute UWI		
October 20	Vision 50:50 – Rural Women & Resilience to Poverty	TBA, JA	Sir Arthur Lewis Institute UWI		
October 25	Seminar on Grenada Revolution	Multifunction Room, UWI	Sir Arthur Lewis Institute UWI		

November

November 20 – 25	Ananse Sound Splash – Story Telling Conference	TBA, JA	Ntukuma - The storytelling Foundation of Jamaica Amina Blackwood Meeks	Ntukuma_ja@yahoo.com; aminablackwoodmeeks@uwimona.ed	
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November 22 – 25	Jamaica Epicurean Escape	Richmond Estate, Ocho Rios, JA	Marcia McDonnough	touchstonenet@gmail.com	
November 24	Soroptimist International Jamaica Stella Gregory Awards & Banquet	Jamaica Pegasus Hotel , JA	Maxine Wedderburn	maxwed@cwjamaica.com	
November 25	CB PAN CHICKEN FESTIVAL	TBA, JA	Melody Cammock	mel_cammock@yahoo.com	
TBA	Anniversary Banquet Lecture – Jamaica's Entrepreneurial Journey 50 Years and Beyond	TBA, JA	UTECH Ezekiel Reid	ereid@utech.edu.jm	
TBA	Civic Service Week	TBA, JA	Sylvia Shirley- Sterling Erica Barnes	sylvia.shirley-sterling@mof.gov.jm erica.barnes@mof.gov.jm	
December					
December 1	Reggae Marathon	Negril ,JA	Reggae Marathon Ltd. Diane Ellis : 967-1072	racedirector@reggaemarathon.com	
December 27- 30	LONDON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA	TBA, JA			
December 29	St. Luke's & St. Phillip's presentation of "Handel's Messiah"	Kings House (West Lawn), JA	St. Luke & St. Phillips Henry Reid : 919-2343	henryl.reid@gmail.com	

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