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OUR MISSION STATEMENT



The Collège Canado-Haïtien & Frères du Sacré-Cœur Alumni Association, Inc. is a non-profit organization which strives to accomplish its mission for the benefit of the students, the teachers, the Canado-Haitian College, and the Brothers of Sacred Heart schools. To that end, it will:

- Organize the alumni for the promotion and the welfare of the schools and actively support projects towards these goals.
- Foster and deepen the bond of fellowship among the alumni, teachers, and students of the schools.
- Promote excellence in education and sponsor a wide range of activities for the academic and professional development of the students and teachers.
- Provide scholarships to students and awards to teachers at these institutions in order to stimulate intellectual development.
- Provide educational materials for the enhancement of the structure and the environment of the schools.
- Create, manage and control funds to be used for such projects connected with the schools.

NOTRE MISSION

La mission essentielle de la CCH-FSCAA est de contribuer à l'épanouissement de la société haïtienne en oeuvrant dans les domaines suivants: Education, Culture, Santé et Environnement.

La CCH-FSCAA s'engage à promouvoir l'éducation en Haïti en apportant une aide concrète au Collège Canado-Haïtien d'abord, et aux autres écoles dirigées par les Frères du Sacré-Coeur ensuite. Les autres domaines tels que la Santé, la Culture et l'Environnement seront considérés dans un temps futur.

Pour réussir dans sa mission, la CCH-FSCAA a adopté les objectifs suivants:

- Retrouver le maximum d'anciens élèves qui ont fréquenté l'un des établissements scolaires dirigés par les Frères du Sacré-Coeur; s'organiser pour la promotion et le bien-être des écoles et supporter activement les projets entrepris en ce sens.
- Encourager et raffermir les liens d'amitié entre les Frères, les professeurs, les élèves et les anciens.
- Favoriser l'excellence dans l'éducation en offrant des bourses d'études aux étudiants et des primes d'encouragement aux professeurs pour leur développement académique et professionnel.
- Inclure tous ceux qui partagent l'idée généreuse et la vision humaniste de l'association.
- Créer et administrer les fonds à utiliser pour les projets liés à ces écoles.

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The President's Message

Regine Saurel Bernadel

As we mark 20 years of the CCH-FSCAA's mission, I stand before you with a heart filled with gratitude. Two decades ago, we planted a seed—an idea that the Haitian community could come together to build a stronger, more empowered future for our children, our families, and our homeland. Today, thanks to your unwavering support, that seed has grown into a movement—one that has touched lives, created opportunities, and offered hope in places where hope once seemed lost.

To every donor who entrusted us with their hard-sweat money and who gave from the heart, to every volunteer who showed up without fanfare but with full commitment: thank you. Your dedication has made this journey possible.

But as we celebrate this milestone, we cannot ignore the reality that still grips Haiti—especially in Port-au-Prince. The situation on the ground remains unstable, with violence and displacement affecting thousands. Many families have had to flee their homes, and several schools have been forced to close or relocate. In response, we are working with our partners to help establish online learning options—a lifeline for the children who remain determined to learn, no matter where they are.

The needs are immense. The resources are limited. And so, today, I must ask again—for your continued support.

Whether you can give time, expertise, or financial resources, your help matters now more than ever. Every donation, big or small, helps us bring education, structure, and hope to a child in need. Together, we can extend the reach of our programs and adapt to this crisis with the same spirit that has carried us through these past 20 years.

As we look to the future, may we do so with renewed resolve and compassion. Let us not just celebrate what we have accomplished but commit ourselves again to the work that lies ahead.

Thank you for walking this journey with us. Thank you for believing in our mission. And thank you for standing with Haiti. *Bondye beni nou. Bondye beni Ayiti.*

With deep appreciation,
Regine S. Bernadel
President, CCH-FSCAA

Alors que nous célébrons les 20 ans de mission du CCH-FSCAA, je me tiens devant vous avec un cœur rempli de gratitude. Il y a vingt ans, nous avons semé une graine : celle d'un rêve, celui de voir la communauté haïtienne unie pour construire un avenir plus fort, plus digne et plus autonome pour nos enfants, nos familles, et notre chère patrie.

Aujourd'hui, grâce à votre soutien indéfectible, cette graine est devenue un véritable mouvement. Un mouvement qui a touché des vies, ouvert des portes, et apporté de l'espoir là où il n'y en avait plus.

À chaque donateur qui nous a confié le fruit de son labeur, qui a donné avec le cœur, à chaque bénévole qui s'est engagé sans chercher les projecteurs mais avec un dévouement total : merci. C'est votre fidélité qui a rendu ce parcours possible.

Mais en ce moment de célébration, nous ne pouvons fermer les yeux sur la réalité qui sévit encore en Haïti — particulièrement à Port-au-Prince. La situation reste instable, marquée par la violence et les déplacements de population qui affectent des milliers de familles. Beaucoup ont dû fuir leur foyer, et de nombreuses écoles ont été contraintes de fermer ou de se relocaliser.

Face à cela, nous agissons avec nos partenaires pour mettre en place des solutions d'apprentissage en ligne — une bouée de sauvetage pour les enfants qui, malgré tout, veulent continuer à apprendre, peu importe où ils se trouvent.

Les besoins sont immenses. Les ressources, limitées. C'est pourquoi, aujourd'hui encore, je me permets de faire appel à votre générosité.

Que vous puissiez offrir de votre temps, de vos compétences ou un soutien financier, sachez que chaque geste compte. Chaque don, petit ou grand, nous aide à offrir éducation, stabilité et espoir à un enfant dans le besoin. Ensemble, nous pouvons étendre la portée de nos programmes et faire face à cette crise avec la même détermination qui nous a portés durant ces vingt dernières années.

Alors que nous tournons notre regard vers l'avenir, faisons-le avec une volonté renouvelée et une profonde compassion. Ne nous contentons pas de célébrer le chemin parcouru ; réengageons-nous pleinement dans la mission qui reste à accomplir.

Merci de marcher à nos côtés. Merci de croire en notre mission. Et merci de rester aux côtés d'Haïti. *Bondye beni nou. Bondye beni Ayiti.*

Avec toute ma reconnaissance,
Regine S. Bernadel
Présidente, CCH-FSCAA

EPK: EDIKASYON PAP KANPE

WHEN EVERYTHING STOPS, EDUCATION MUST CONTINUE

Across Haiti, daily life is growing more difficult by the day. In Port-au-Prince, schools have closed as violence and instability reach alarming levels. The unrest has extended to other major cities, making it harder for families to access basic services. In small towns, finding a job—or simply surviving—has become nearly impossible.

But even in these darkest moments, **education cannot wait.**

That is why, in 2024, the College Canado-Haitien et Freres du Sacre-Coeur Alumni Association launched a powerful initiative: **EPK – Edikasyon Pap Kanpe avek CCH-FSCAA** (“Education Will Not Stop”)

This campaign was created to respond to the urgent needs of Haitian children who risk falling behind or being forgotten.

While chaos surrounds them, EPK stands as a promise: **we will not let this generation be lost.**

We are calling on our global community to be part of this mission by giving from the heart. Whether it's \$10 a month or a one-time contribution, every donation goes toward tuition, school support, and hope for a better future. The average cost to educate a child in Haiti is just \$50 a month—an amount that can change a life.

EPK is built on four core principles:

INSPIRE, EDUCATE, SHARE, and FACILITATE.

These are not just words—they are a call to action. Together, we can ensure that no child is left behind, no matter where they come from or what challenges they face.

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QUAND TOUT S'ARRÊTE, L'ÉDUCATION DOIT CONTINUER

Partout en Haïti, la vie quotidienne devient de plus en plus difficile. À Port-au-Prince, les écoles ont fermé, la violence et l'instabilité atteignant des niveaux alarmants. Les troubles se sont étendus à d'autres grandes villes, rendant l'accès aux services de base plus difficile pour les familles. Dans les petites villes, trouver un emploi, ou simplement survivre, est devenu presque impossible.

Mais même dans ces moments les plus sombres, l'éducation ne peut attendre.

C'est pourquoi, en 2024, l'Association des anciens élèves du Collège Canado-Haïtien et des Frères du Sacré-Cœur a lancé une initiative puissante : **EPK – Edikasyon Pap Kanpe avek CCH-FSCAA** (« L'éducation ne s'arrêtera pas »)

Cette campagne a été créée pour répondre aux besoins urgents des enfants haïtiens qui risquent d'être laissés pour compte ou oubliés. Alors que le chaos les entoure, EPK représente une promesse : **nous ne laisserons pas cette génération se perdre.**

Nous appelons notre communauté internationale à participer à cette mission en donnant de tout cœur. Qu'il s'agisse de 10 \$ par mois ou d'une contribution ponctuelle, chaque don contribue aux frais de scolarité, au soutien scolaire et à l'espoir d'un avenir meilleur. Le coût moyen de l'éducation d'un enfant en Haïti est de seulement 50 \$ par mois, une somme qui peut changer une vie.

EPK repose sur quatre principes fondamentaux :

INSPIRER, ÉDIFIER, PARTAGER et FACILITER.

Ce ne sont pas de simples mots, c'est un appel à l'action.

Ensemble, nous pouvons faire en sorte qu'aucun enfant ne soit laissé pour compte, quelles que soient son origine et les difficultés auxquelles il est confronté.

Faire un don via Zelle : cchboard22@gmail.com

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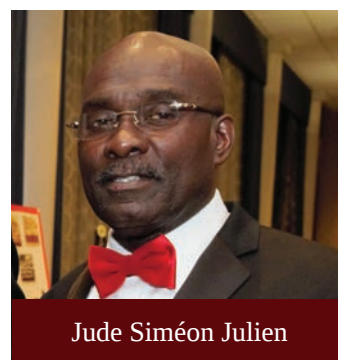
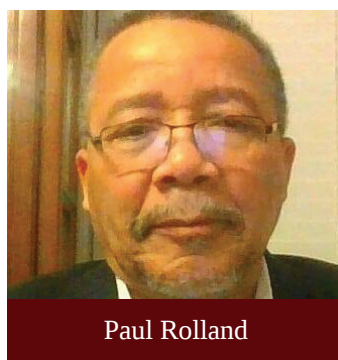
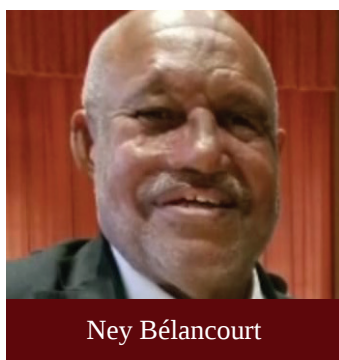
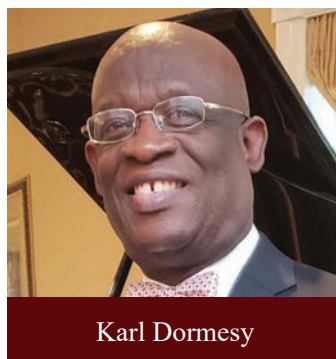
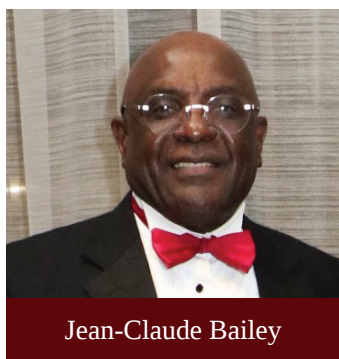
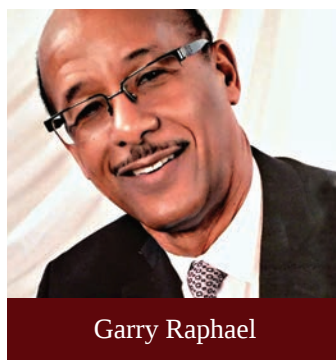
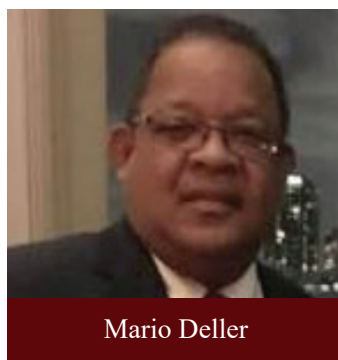
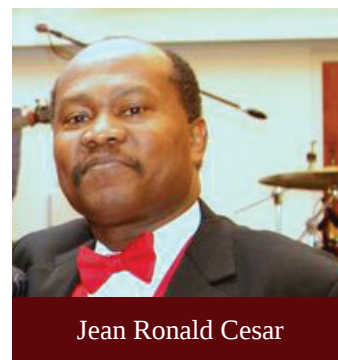
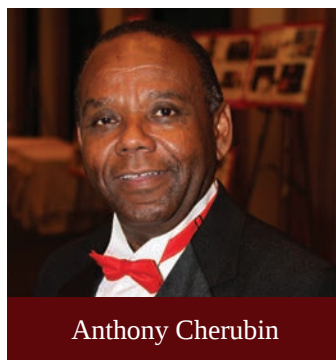
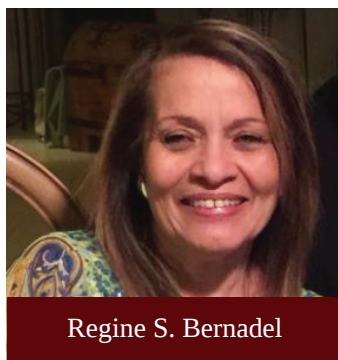
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OUR 2024-2025 FINANCIAL REPORT

By the Finance Team:
Mario Deller, Garry Raphael, Marie Carmel Nazon

As we reflect on the past year, we are pleased to share the meaningful impact made possible through your generous donations. Your continued support is more vital than ever, as the situation in Haiti grows increasingly challenging each day.

Thanks to you—our dedicated members, donors, and supporters—we were able to achieve the following:

At the start of the 2024–2025 school year in September, we were advised by the Brothers to delay sending funds due to disruptions within the Haitian banking system. Once conditions improved, we received approval to proceed. On December 3, 2024, a check in the amount of \$23,720.00 was issued to Brother Gary Pierre / Canado Scholarship, covering:

- Canado Technical School.....\$9,000.00
 - Canado Academic.....\$9,000.00
 - Juvenat School.....\$1,500.00
 - Jean XXXIII Primary.....\$1,500.00
 - Jean XXIII Secondary.....\$1,500.00
 - Lens St. Hilaire.....\$1,220.00
- (Jean Mary Desrosiers Scholarship)

- On 12/27/2024, \$1,500.00 was sent to the “Nouvelle Vision” school in Lagumite, a locality outside of Hinche (Haiti).
- On 01/22/2025, a check of \$3,500.00 was made out to Ney Belancourt, as reimbursement for money sent to Haiti:
 - \$1,500.00 to Do-Kre-I-S (Centre de Formation Artistique, Technique et Commercial de Leogane (Haiti)
 - \$1,500.00 to “Association Monde des Petits” (AMOP), an association located in Carrefour (Haiti), and working toward the social development of the young, the adults, the teenage mothers, and especially the children.
- \$500.00 to invest in computers for Saint Francois D’assises School

In total, for the past year, we sent \$28,720.00 to different worthy causes. We thank you in the names of the beneficiaries.

NOTRE RAPPORT FINANCIER 2024-2025

Par l'équipe des finances :
Mario Deller, Garry Raphael, Marie Carmel Nazon

En cette période de l’année, nous avons le plaisir de vous partager les réalisations rendues possibles grâce à votre générosité. Comme vous le savez, la situation en Haïti se dégrade chaque jour davantage, rendant votre aide plus précieuse que jamais.

Grâce à VOUS — nos fidèles membres, donateurs et partenaires — nous avons pu mener à bien les actions suivantes :

Au début de l’année scolaire 2024–2025, en septembre, les Frères nous avaient demandé de ne pas effectuer d’envoi en raison du dysfonctionnement du système bancaire. Une fois la situation stabilisée, nous avons reçu le feu vert. Ainsi, le 3 décembre 2024, un chèque d’un montant de 23.720,00\$ a été émis à l’ordre du Frère Gary Pierre / Bourse Canado, couvrant :

- École Technique Canado..... 9.000,00\$
 - École Académique Canado.....9.000,00\$
 - École Juvénat.....1.500,00\$
 - École Primaire Jean XXIII.....1.500,00\$
 - École Secondaire Jean XXIII.....1.500,00\$
 - Lens St Hilaire.....1.220,00\$
- (Bourse Jean Mary Desrosiers)

- Le 27 décembre 2024, 1.500,00\$ ont été envoyés à l’école « Nouvelle Vision » à Lagumite, une localité près de Hinche (Haïti).
- Le 22 janvier 2025, un chèque de 3.500,00\$ a été établi au nom de Ney Belancourt, en remboursement de fonds envoyés en Haïti :
 - 1.500,00\$ au Do-Kre-I-S (Centre de Formation Artistique, Technique et Commercial de Léogâne, Haïti)
 - 1.500,00\$ à l’« Association Monde des Petits » (AMOP), une association située à Carrefour (Haïti), œuvrant pour le développement social des jeunes, des adultes, des mères adolescentes, et surtout des enfants.
- 500,00\$ pour un projet D’achat D’ordinateurs pour le college Saint Francois D’assises

En tout, au cours de l’année écoulée, nous avons envoyé 28.720,00\$ à différentes causes dignes d’intérêt. Nous vous remercions au nom des bénéficiaires.

Gratitude: The Gateway to a Life of Abundance

Gratitude : la porte d'entrée vers une vie d'abondance

By Anthony Cherubin



Living with a heart full of gratitude is the key to unlocking a life filled with joy, opportunity, and prosperity. When we begin each day acknowledging the blessings we already have, we naturally draw even more goodness into our lives. Like a beacon, our appreciation sets the tone, attracting success and abundance in ways that feel natural and aligned.

Life often unfolds perfectly, even if we don't always see it at first. Trusting that we're exactly where we need to be, even in uncertain moments, opens the door to powerful transformations. We begin to notice that the right people, resources, and opportunities appear just when we need them most. It's not by accident; it's because we're aligned with our deeper purpose and staying open to receive.

Opportunities are all around us. When we move through life with confidence and a positive mindset, they seem to come to us without struggle. It's as if life is conspiring in our favor. Every situation, even challenges, serves to shape us into stronger, wiser, more compassionate versions of ourselves.

This outlook grows stronger when we affirm our worth. We each deserve to experience the fullness of life: joy, success, connections, and peace. When we truly believe that, we allow ourselves to welcome all the goodness life has to offer with open arms and a grateful heart.

By staying present, hopeful, and thankful, we remain receptive to all the beautiful things still on their way to us. Gratitude isn't just a feeling; it's a mindset that transforms everything. When we live in appreciation, we don't just chase abundance, we become the kind of person who naturally attracts it.

Vivre avec un cœur imprégné de gratitude, c'est ouvrir la voie à une existence empreinte de joie, d'opportunités et de prospérité véritable. Lorsque chaque matin commence par la reconnaissance sincère de ce que nous possédons

déjà, nous devenons naturellement un aimant pour davantage de bienfaits. À l'image d'un phare illuminant l'horizon, notre gratitude oriente notre réalité, attirant succès et abondance avec une harmonie presque magique.

La vie, dans sa sagesse discrète, se déploie souvent avec une précision que notre regard pressé ne perçoit pas immédiatement. Cultiver la confiance en l'instant présent, même lorsque l'incertitude brouille notre vision, c'est ouvrir la porte à de profondes métamorphoses. Peu à peu, nous constatons que les bonnes personnes, les ressources justes et les opportunités idéales se présentent avec une justesse presque surnaturelle. Ce n'est pas un simple hasard : c'est l'alignement avec notre vérité intérieure qui rend cela possible.

Les opportunités foisonnent autour de nous, prêtes à éclore dès lors que nous avançons avec confiance et bienveillance. Lorsqu'un esprit positif guide nos pas, la vie elle-même semble se mettre en mouvement pour favoriser notre épanouissement. Même les épreuves, loin d'être des obstacles, deviennent des tremplins vers une version de nous-même plus forte, plus lucide, plus aimante.

Cette vision prend tout son sens lorsque nous affirmons pleinement notre valeur. Chacun de nous mérite de goûter à la richesse d'une vie pleine : joie sincère, réussite juste, relations nourrissantes et paix intérieure. Lorsque cette conviction devient intime, profonde, nous nous autorisons à accueillir pleinement les merveilles que la vie nous réserve, avec une âme ouverte et reconnaissante.

Rester ancré dans le présent, nourri d'espérance et de gratitude, nous rend réceptifs aux beautés encore invisibles qui s'annoncent. La gratitude n'est pas qu'un simple ressenti, c'est une manière d'être, une posture intérieure qui magnifie tout ce qu'elle touche. En l'adoptant, nous cessons de poursuivre l'abondance : nous devenons son foyer naturel.

What's one thing
you're grateful for today?

Et vous, aujourd'hui, qu'est-ce qui
éveille votre gratitude la plus sincère ?

OUR ENTERTAINMENT

By Anthony Cherubin



DISIP Recharged: New Management, Bold New Vision

Haitian music, particularly the vibrant genre of konpa, continues to captivate audiences worldwide. One of its standout contributors is Gazzman Couleur, the dynamic frontman of the South Florida-based band DISIP. Known for blending traditional konpa rhythms with elements of R&B, rock, and zouk, Couleur has revitalized the genre with emotionally charged performances and socially conscious lyrics.

DISIP's 2016 album, *Kleré Yo*, marked a significant milestone, earning critical acclaim and multiple "Album of the Year" honors within the Haitian music industry. The album's fusion of electrified guitar riffs, keyboard-driven rhythms, and heartfelt storytelling resonated deeply with fans, reaffirming DISIP's place in the konpa scene.

In a strategic move to further strengthen the band's presence, DISIP has recently appointed Schoelcher Destin as their new manager. Destin brings a wealth of experience and a fresh perspective to the group's management, aiming to expand their reach and influence within the global music landscape. This collaboration is expected to usher in a new era of innovation and growth for DISIP, aligning with their commitment to musical excellence and cultural representation.

As DISIP continues to evolve under this new leadership, fans can anticipate a series of exciting developments, including upcoming performances and potential new releases. The band's dedication to pushing the boundaries of konpa music ensures that their contributions will remain integral to the genre's ongoing evolution and international appeal.

DISIP Rechargé : Nouvelle direction, nouvelle vision audacieuse

La musique haïtienne, et plus particulièrement le konpa, un genre vibrant, continue de captiver le public du monde entier. Parmi ses contributeurs les plus remarquables figure Gazzman Couleur, le dynamique leader du groupe DISIP, originaire du sud de la Floride. Connu pour son mélange de rythmes konpa traditionnels avec des éléments de R&B, de rock et de zouk, Couleur a revitalisé le genre grâce à des performances chargées d'émotion et des paroles engagées.

L'album *Kleré Yo*, sorti en 2016, a marqué une étape importante, acclamé par la critique et récompensé à plusieurs reprises par le prix de l'« Album de l'année » dans l'industrie musicale haïtienne. La fusion de riffs de guitare électrifiés, de rythmes au clavier et de récits sincères a profondément touché les fans, réaffirmant la place de DISIP sur la scène konpa.

Dans une démarche stratégique visant à renforcer la présence du groupe, DISIP a récemment nommé Schoelcher Destin comme nouveau manager. Destin apporte une riche expérience et un regard neuf à la direction du groupe, avec pour objectif d'étendre sa portée et son influence au sein du paysage musical mondial. Cette collaboration devrait marquer le début d'une nouvelle ère d'innovation et de croissance pour DISIP, en phase avec son engagement envers l'excellence musicale et la représentation culturelle.

À mesure que DISIP continue d'évoluer sous cette nouvelle direction, les fans peuvent s'attendre à une série de développements passionnants, notamment des concerts à venir et de potentielles sorties. La volonté du groupe de repousser les limites de la musique konpa garantit que ses contributions resteront essentielles à l'évolution continue du genre et à son rayonnement international.

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Paul Ricot Rolland, a proud alumnus of Collège Canado Haïtien (Class of 1973), currently resides in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Now retired, he brings with him a distinguished academic and professional background, holding degrees as an Agronomical Engineer, an MBA, and an MS in Education. A devoted father of three—Mr. Rolland continues to invest his time and passion in causes that matter deeply to him.

Looking forward, Mr. Rolland holds a strong vision for both Haiti and his alma mater. He hopes to see Haiti embark on a constructive path toward peace and prosperity for all its citizens. For Canado, he envisions the implementation of a robust, fast-paced technological and scientific education program—particularly in IT and software programming—that equips students to meet the critical demands of today's world.

In the near term, Rolland emphasizes two key priorities: first, supporting the Salésians through a more effective system of cooperation to enhance their progressive initiatives; and second, expanding the central committee of Canado alumni by including individuals and organizations who share a unified vision for the future.

Mr. Rolland's enduring dedication to education, innovation, and community empowerment reflects the very values that Canado strives to instill in its students—a testament to the legacy of a true leader and changemaker.

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HAITIAN AMERICAN NURSES ASSOCIATION INC. OF GREATER NEW YORK (HANA)

The Haitian American Nurses Association Inc. of Greater New York (HANA of GNY) is a nonprofit organization rooted in a commitment to serve, empower, and uplift the Haitian American and other minority communities. Since its founding, HANA has become a vital force in healthcare advocacy, professional development, and community outreach in the Greater New York area and beyond.

HANA's mission is to establish a diverse group of healthcare and other professionals who are willing to volunteer their skills, time, and resources to serve, educate, and support the Haitian American and other minority communities. This mission is carried out through a range of initiatives focused on health education, disease prevention, mentorship, and support for aspiring healthcare professionals.

A cornerstone of HANA's impact is its dedication to nursing education. In the Greater New York area, HANA provides academic scholarships to nursing students, helping to reduce financial barriers and increase diversity in the healthcare workforce. The organization also extends its support internationally by offering tuition assistance and academic scholarships to students at the National School of Nursing in Port-au-Prince and the National School of Nursing in Les Cayes, Haiti. These efforts contribute to the long-term sustainability of Haiti's healthcare system by investing in its future caregivers.

Beyond education, HANA organizes health fairs, seminars, and community health initiatives that provide essential screenings, resources, and information to underserved populations. Through strategic partnerships and a strong network of dedicated volunteers, HANA of Greater New York continues to serve as a beacon of hope and progress in both local and international communities.

By empowering healthcare professionals and engaging directly with the communities they serve, HANA remains committed to health equity, education, and the ongoing advancement of Haitian and minority populations.

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HAITIAN AMERICAN LAWYERS ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK (HALA-NY)

The Haitian American Lawyers Association of New York (HALA-NY) is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit professional organization dedicated to fostering greater participation by Haitian Americans and other ethnic minorities in the legal and judicial systems. Established in 2013, HALA-NY is composed primarily of attorneys, judges, scholars, and activists who are passionate about justice, equity, and community advancement. We welcome anyone who cares about or is affected by issues impacting Haitian Americans and the broader Haitian diaspora to engage with our mission and initiatives. By sharing both our cultural heritage and legal expertise, we work to uplift our community and advocate for meaningful change.

While HALA-NY is not a direct service provider, we have consistently stepped in to meet urgent legal needs in our community. Over the years, we have hosted legal clinics in underserved neighborhoods and offered critical support to Haitian nationals, including assisting Temporary Protected Status (TPS) recipients with application renewals. Our advocacy also extends beyond New York, as we aim to influence legal and judicial outcomes that affect Haitians worldwide. For instance, HALA-NY filed an amicus brief in response to the denationalization of Haitian Dominicans, a move that threatened thousands of lives. Currently, we are actively engaged in strategic collaborations on issues such as TPS and the lingering effects of the cholera epidemic in Haiti.

HALA-NY believes in the power of collective action—*ansanm*, together, we can make a lasting impact. We are committed to promoting the advancement of Haitian Americans in the legal profession and advocating for the rights and well-being of our immigrant and diaspora communities. By standing united, we strive to ensure that justice is accessible, representation is equitable, and our voices are heard at every level of the legal system.

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ASSOCIATION OF HAITIAN PHYSICIANS ABROAD (AMHE)

Founded in August 1972, the Association of Haitian Physicians Abroad (AMHE) was born out of a shared vision among Haitian physicians determined to strengthen their professional presence in the United States and serve the health needs of their growing immigrant community. The organization held its first general assembly at Harlem Hospital in New York on November 12, 1972, gathering 64 physicians with a unified agenda.

AMHE's founding principles were clear: to support Haitian physicians in their personal and professional development, advocate for the Haitian immigrant population in health-related matters, foster academic and professional ties with their alma mater, and contribute to medical advancement and public health in Haiti.

News of the organization's formation spread quickly, inspiring the creation of multiple chapters across North America. The New York chapter was followed by chapters in Baltimore/Washington (March 1973), Chicago (April 1973), Saint Louis (May 1973), Montreal (November 1974), New Jersey (October 1988), South Florida (1989), and Louisiana (February 2014).

AMHE's mission is to provide its members with a platform to address medical challenges affecting Haitians both at home and abroad. Its vision is centered on the prevention and treatment of health conditions within Haitian communities worldwide.

More than five decades later, AMHE remains a powerful voice for health equity, professional unity, and humanitarian outreach, bridging the gap between Haitian medical professionals and the communities they serve.

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Dr. Dimitri Francois
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HAITIAN AMERICAN PSYCHIATRIC ASSOCIATION (HAPA)

Established in 1984, the **Haitian American Psychiatric Association (HAPA)** is a nonprofit, national organization dedicated to promoting mental health awareness, clinical excellence, advocacy, and leadership within Haitian communities in the United States, Haiti, and the broader diaspora. Founded by visionary Haitian American psychiatrists, HAPA was created in response to the urgent need for culturally sensitive mental health care and professional representation during a time when mental illness remained deeply stigmatized in Haitian culture.

HAPA's mission is to reduce stigma, enhance access to care, and empower Haitian mental health professionals through advocacy, education, mentorship, and service. The organization supports psychiatrists, psychologists, trainees, and allied professionals across disciplines. Its core initiatives include community outreach, international partnerships, continuing medical education, and disaster relief efforts—particularly in response to the 2010 earthquake and subsequent crises in Haiti.

One of HAPA's signature accomplishments is its groundbreaking partnership with the **Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship Program at SUNY Downstate**, where it co-developed a nationally recognized advocacy curriculum. This initiative trains psychiatry fellows through classroom instruction, experiential learning, and direct community engagement. With HAPA's guidance, fellows collaborate with local leaders, elected officials, and underserved communities to promote mental health equity and influence policy at the grassroots level. This model is now being studied as a national template for advocacy training in academic psychiatry.

HAPA also plays a vital role in developing future Haitian mental health leaders through scholarships, networking, mentorship, and speaking platforms. The association actively engages in public discourse on health disparities and advocates for systemic reforms in mental health care delivery.

Today, HAPA remains a beacon of excellence and empowerment—uniting medical science with cultural understanding to uplift Haitian lives through compassionate, competent psychiatric care.

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THE HAITIAN ROUNDTABLE (HRT)

The Haitian Roundtable (HRT), founded in 2008, is a not-for-profit organization of Haitian American professionals committed to civic engagement and strategic initiatives that benefit the Haitian community. Guided by the motto ***“As Haitians, We Are the Keepers of Our Legacy,”*** The Haitian Roundtable (HRT) works to raise awareness of Haitians as a vital constituency through partnerships, programs, and events celebrating Haitian excellence.

The Haitian Roundtable HRT is best known for its 1804 List of Haitian American Changemakers and Ones to Watch, honoring over 160 leaders, innovators, and rising stars who have made impactful contributions in the U.S., Haiti, and beyond. Other signature programs include the Haiti Dialogue Series, which convenes thought leaders for critical conversations, Kreyol Connection networking events, and Haitian History is Black History, a celebration of Haitian contributions to the Black Diaspora.

In 2018, The Haitian Roundtable HRT launched the “My Haitian American Journey” video series, showcasing the achievements of trailblazers such as designer Victor Glemaud, media executive Mona Scott-Young, architect Rodney Leon, and journalist Lionel Moise.

The Haitian Roundtable (HRT) has a history of timely action and community engagement. Following the 2010 Haiti earthquake, The Haitian Roundtable (HRT) raised \$250,000 through the “New Yorkers for Haiti” benefit for UNICEF relief efforts. The organization partnered with Macy’s and Fairwinds Trading to support Haitian artisans via the Heart of Haiti Shops. In 2017, The Haitian Roundtable (HRT) led a rally against derogatory remarks made about Haitians by a NYC radio DJ, resulting in his suspension. After the 2021 assassination of Haiti’s president and another earthquake, The Haitian Roundtable (HRT) mobilized support and hosted a policy roundtable with U.S. Rep. Gregory Meeks.

In 2024, The Haitian Roundtable (HRT) expanded its reach to Los Angeles with Haitians in Hollywood, bringing together creatives and leaders to foster community and advocate for authentic Haitian representation in media and entertainment.

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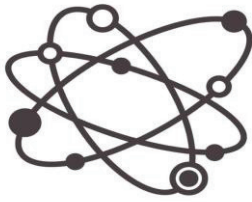


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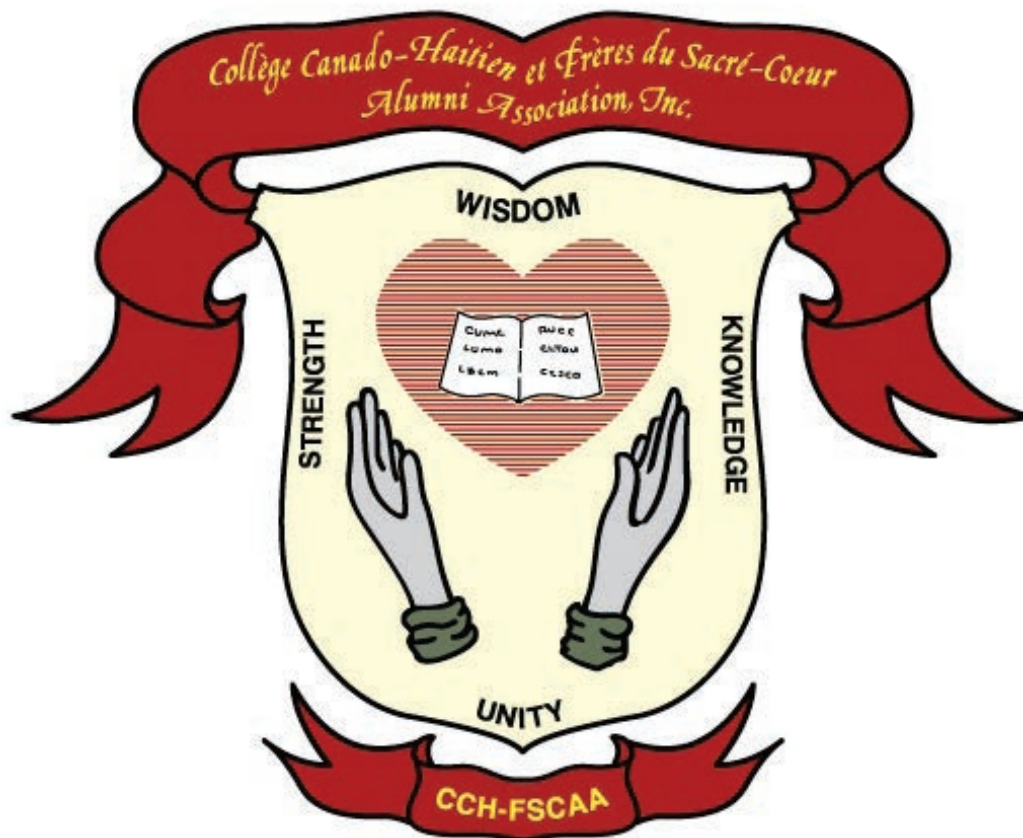
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