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"A Salute to Percussions" Brings the Beat to Sistrunk on May 10, 2025

Fort Lauderdale, FL – Get ready to feel the rhythm and celebrate the power of percussion at "A Salute to Percussions," an electrifying musical tribute happening on Saturday, May 10, 2025, at the iconic Smitty's on Sistrunk. The evening promises a soulful journey through the world of drums, congas, bongos, djembes, and more – a high-energy experience that will move your feet and lift your spirit.

This vibrant event will spotlight local and national percussionists who bring deep roots, powerful rhythms, and cultural pride to the forefront. From Afro-Caribbean beats to jazz-infused grooves and gospel rhythms, "A Salute to Percussions" is more than a concert – it's a celebration of heritage, resilience, and the universal language of the drum health and community.

WHAT: A Salute to Percussions

WHEN: Saturday, May 10, 2025 | Event Time at 2:00 PM - 6PM | Show

Begins at 2:30 PM

WHERE: Smitty's on Sistrunk, 1134 NW 6th St, Fort Lauderdale, FL

TICKETS: Open to The Public

A Call to Action to the Community for All Percussionists to come out and Join the Jam Session...

Highlights of the Evening Include:

- Live performances from master percussionists and surprise musical guests
- Community drumming circle and audience participation
- Cultural Vendors, Art Installations, Health Conversation
- Honoring legendary percussionists who have shaped the musical landscape

In addition to the music and cultural celebration, "A Salute to Percussions" is also a space for healing and awareness. Join us for a powerful conversation led by local professional health care providers, who will address the critical health concerns impacting our communities — including Diabetes, Kidney Disease, and HIV. These health disparities disproportionately affect communities of color and are often shrouded in silence and stigma. This open forum aims to educate, empower, and uplift, creating a space where we can talk honestly about what matters most to our health and collective future.

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Boss, Alive & Well Community Partners, MAE Music, Moving Forward Wellness – and more community partners joining in solidarity and rhythm.

"This event is a love letter to rhythm, culture, and the heartbeat of our community," says HIV POSSIBLE & SOS, event organizer. "Percussion has always been at the center of our celebrations, struggles, and stories – this night is about honoring that legacy."

Whether you're a longtime lover of live music or someone looking for a night of soulful fun, "A Salute to Percussions" is a must-attend event for all ages.

Follow @Smittys Wings on Sistrunk, @HIV POSSIBLE, @Shawn Hall-Tinsley on social media| Website: hivpossible.com | Call: 803.297.6966 for updates, behind-the-scenes previews, and lineup announcements. Come feel the beat — and let the drums lead the way!

Hosting Venue





Event Organizer Ms. Shawn Tinsley



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