

# Summer Arts Quest Closes At Hayti Heritage Center

Story and Photos  
By Ray Trent

A fun-filled, exciting and stimulating month of July came to a close July 31 for dozens of youth ages 6 to 15 at the Hayti Heritage Center.

The Arts Quest program, headed by artist-in-residence Tiyé' Giraud, was not all play. It was most educational for the children who learned about their culture through the arts.

Tiyé' Giraud is no stranger to the arts and culture. She has performed in "Hokimbe", her one woman show. Her music was featured in two PBS films, she has recorded with Urban Bush Women, David Soliday's string quartet, Odetta, Pete Seeger, and was lead singer for Women of the Calabash.

On this bright Saturday morning, Mrs. Dianne Pledger, the program director, was beaming because of the success of the program, as she presented the youth and talked of their amazing achievements accomplished in such a short time.

Class demonstrations were given on the Shekere, an African instrument made from a gourd, covered with beads on strings. Each child made his/her own instrument.

There was a presentation of African crafts and games, followed by a creative writing and drama presentation that really showed the latent abilities in the youth.

An a capella presentation of "I Believe the Children Are Our Future" by Anita Woods and Tunisia Muhammed, brought thunderous applause from the audience.

A science project was presented in which the children interacted with an albino ferret, a corn snake and turtles.

The highlight of the evening had to be the steel drum, an instrument made from 55-gallon drums, native to Trinidad that gives the most melodious music. Wilson DuBois

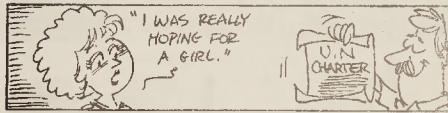
and the other instructors have to be highly commended because, in a short period of time, children were able to play perfectly such renditions as "Summertime" - Lucious Clayton and Khayree McKinnon and "Song of the Wind" - Anita Woods and Fainra Mushipe. Masila Mutisya, Ed.D., taught Swahili, one of the native African languages and the children conversed fluently.

An African dance extravaganza in which all of the youth participated

ended the Arts Quest for 1993. The dance brought the audience to its feet.

Many adults joined Dr. Benjamin Speller, Mrs. Pledger and other camp instructors as they danced to a native beat that seemed to be a part of everybody's very being.

Each youth was given a certificate. More than that, the youngsters had developed a new pride in themselves, knowing that they are from the original civilization.



The United Nations adopted its charter at the famous San Francisco Conference in 1945.

## Politics

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encourage participation through mobilization campaigns that include voter-registration drives and other community organizing efforts, the authors point out.

"In both 1984 and 1988, massive mobilization was an integral component of both Rev. Jesse Jackson's campaigns for president," they write.

Jackson and Chicago mayor Harold Washington, who also used mobilization campaigns, were successful because they empathized with people in extremely poor neighborhoods by bringing them a message of support for economic justice, Dawson says.

Once in power, however, many black politicians, in their efforts to represent all segments of society, lose touch with the disadvantaged, Dawson says. If they expect to remain in office, they must take into account the interests of business groups when they make decisions, Dawson says.

## Benefits

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week, from \$267 to \$282.

The new increased amount will only be paid to those people filing a new unemployment insurance claim effective on or after August 1, 1993.

Every year the top allowable benefit is recalculated using a formula based on the average insured weekly wage earned in North Carolina during the previous year. In 1992 that amount was \$423.56 a week.

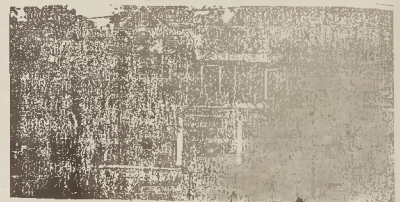
Roughly 12 percent of the people who receive unemployment insurance compensation are eligible for the maximum benefit. Those people currently receiving unemployment insurance benefits will continue to be paid the same amount.

The unemployment insurance program is funded through taxes paid by employers.

## COUNTY OF DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA NOTICE OF UPSET BID SALE

Under and by virtue of a resolution of the Durham Board of County Commissioners made and entered on July 26, 1993, Durham County will offer for sale and sell for cash to the last and highest bidder the following described property being in Durham City Township, Durham County, North Carolina and more particularly described as follows:

514 Holloway Street  
Tax Map 123, Block 01, Lot 009



This is an Upset Bid Sale, a bid previously having been made in the amount of \$16,000.00. Bids must be at least \$10,550.00. A deposit of 5% of the successful upset bid will be required. Upset bids must be received within 10 days of this notice. Bids shall be made in the Clerk to the Board, 2nd Floor, or to the Real Estate Manager, 4th Floor, 200 E. Main Street, Durham, NC between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. The resolution authorizing this sale and setting forth the procedures for said sale may be examined in the offices of the Clerk to the Board or the Real Estate Manager.

August 4, 1993  
Marvin T. Pope  
Interim Real Estate Manager

## NOTICE ANNOUNCING A PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD For the Draft Local Transportation Improvement Program

The Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) and Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) request comments on the draft FY 1994-2000 Local Transportation Improvement Program (LTIP). The public comment period will be open from Wednesday, August 4, 1993 to Wednesday, September 8, 1993. Written comments should be mailed to: Mark Ahrends, Dept. of Transportation, City of Durham, 101 City Hall Plaza, Durham, NC 27701.

Copies of the draft FY 1994-2000 LTIP, and preliminary comments from the TAC regarding some projects in the draft LTIP are available for review at the City of Durham Department of Transportation, Durham City-County Planning Dept., Chapel Hill Planning Dept., Carrboro Planning Dept., Orange County Planning Dept., Chatham County Planning Dept., and Triangle Transit Authority.

The TCC will prepare and discuss a recommended LTIP on August 25, 1993. The recommended LTIP will be presented to the TAC for adoption on September 8, 1993. For further information, please contact Mark Ahrends, City of Durham Department of Transportation at 560-4366.

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## City of Durham Weekly Calendar

WEEKLY CALENDAR: AUGUST 9, 1993 - AUGUST 13, 1993

The DURHAM CITY COUNCIL holds its regular meetings on the FIRST and THIRD MONDAYS of EACH MONTH at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, located on the first floor of City Hall. These meetings are open to the public.

City Government meetings scheduled during the next week include the following:

- MONDAY, August 9, 1993
  - 12:00 noon SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING - WORK SESSION
  - SUBJECT: TO HEAR PRESENTATION OF A JOINT EFFORT BETWEEN THE CITY, DUKE POWER, AND PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION TO IMPLEMENT A TELEPHONE METER READING PILOT PROGRAM AND ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL (Committee Room/2nd Floor)
  - 3:00 p.m. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE (Committee Room/2nd Floor)
  - 7:30 p.m. CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Briefing Room/1st Floor)
- TUESDAY, August 10, 1993
  - 12:00 noon MAYORS COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (Committee Room/2nd Floor)
  - 4:00 p.m. 2020 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (Committee Room/2nd Floor)
  - 7:00 p.m. ZONING COMMITTEE OF THE DURHAM PLANNING COMMISSION (Council Chamber/1st Floor)
- WEDNESDAY, August 11, 1993
  - 9:00 a.m. TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Committee Room/2nd Floor)
  - 2:00 p.m. PRECAST CONCRETE BID OPENING FOR NEW BALL PARK (Committee Room/2nd Floor)
  - 6:00 p.m. GOVERNMENT LIAISON of the HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION (Theatre Room/1st Floor)
  - 7:00 p.m. TAXICAB COMMISSION (Police Headquarters/505 W. Chapel Hill Street)
  - 7:00 p.m. PLANNING COMMITTEE of the DURHAM PLANNING COMMISSION (Committee Room/2nd Floor)
- THURSDAY, August 12, 1993
  - 8:30 a.m. COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (Committee Room/2nd Floor)
  - 4:00 p.m. 2020 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ISSUE GROUP (Committee Room/2nd Floor)
- FRIDAY, August 13, 1993
  - 8:30 a.m. DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD (Committee Room/2nd Floor)

All meetings are held in City Hall, 101 City Hall Plaza, unless otherwise indicated. Additional meetings may be scheduled after this list is submitted for publication. Free parking is available during the Council Meeting in the Chapel Hill Street Parking Garage, located across Mangum Street from City Hall.

Any citizen wishing to be heard on agenda matters, please call the City Clerk's Office at 560-4166 to place your name on the speakers' list.

Interpreters for the Deaf and the Hearing Impaired are available by giving a 48 hour notice. If needed, please telephone 560-4180 or T.D.D. No. 688-5483.

MAYOR & CITY LIFE PROGRAM will be on Cable Channel 8 every Wednesday from 7:00 to 7:30 p.m.