



Here it comes! The Afri-Garifuna Jazz Ensemble debuts its "Taguiera" album on Saturday in the Bronx at the Bronx Music Heritage Center.

GARIFUNA-JAZZ MUSIC RELEASE

The Afri-Garifuna Jazz Ensemble is taking an anticipated rhythmical and cultural next step by releasing "Taguiera," their first recording on Saturday in the Bronx.

The Bronx Music Heritage Center, 1303 Louis Nine Blvd., will host the release party reception and CD signing for the 12-track album (whose title means "homeland" in the Garifuna language), from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The ensemble — James Lovell (Garifuna drum, vocals) Mario Sprouse (piano) Hilliard Greene (bass), Julian Meyers (saxophone) Lucy Blanco (vocal) and dancer Mariano Martinez — will bring traditional music melded with jazz using maracas, drums, turtle and conch shells along with Garifuna language.

In addition to a performance by the Afri-Garifuna Jazz Ensemble performance, there will be a reception, CD signing, a display of Garifuna artwork and Garifuna food for sale. For information, send email to lblanco1965@gmail.com or call (917) 841-1290.

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