

AFRICAN BEATS

A WEEKEND OF AFRICAN
DRUMMING AND DANCING

The Round Lake Auditorium is proud to host this weekend of drumming and dancing with international performing artists Magbana with special guests, the Capital Region's own African Experience.

Whether you're an experienced drummer or have never picked up a drum before, this weekend is for you! Join us for workshops, performances, delicious meals, and of course the drumming!

Magbana

Magbana Drum and Dance NYC was established as a professional company in 1997 by artistic director Michael Markus. It is his vision to entertain and educate people from all walks of life about the power of the drum and the movement it inspires. Company members are from diverse backgrounds, and together they create music and movement fusing world percussion with traditional West African drum and dance, martial arts and contemporary dance. Titled after the Guinean nickname for taxi, Magbana has audiences jumping out of their seats at a variety of venues from the east coast through the mid-west. The ensemble has performed and taught at theaters, schools/universities, community centers, museums, festivals and private/corporate functions.

African Experience

This explosive hand-drumming ensemble from Saratoga Springs brings the sounds of the djembe and doundoun to your ear with surprising intensity. The group believes this music transcends the boundaries of culture, which creates a brilliant environment for all that attend.

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FRIDAY, MAY 19 AND
SATURDAY, MAY 20

AFRICAN BEATS WORKSHOPS AND PERFORMANCES

Djembe Technique 7pm Friday
 Teachers: Wayne White and Adam Witt of African Experience
 Enter into the richness of African rhythms during this opening workshop. Students will explore the variety of sounds created when hands meet drum.

African Dance 1pm Saturday
 Teacher: Yalani Bangoura of Magbana
 This energetic class focuses on the beautiful, archetype dance movements from Guinea, West Africa. In addition to being a superior form of exercise, students learn to express themselves in a healthy way. Connecting mind, body and spirit, students also learn to relate to the music and those around them. This class is accompanied by live drumming.



African Drumming 3pm Saturday
 Teacher: Michael Markus of Magbana
 Besides being a call to community, drumming raises one's spirits, energy and vitality. It is an exciting way to learn hand/eye coordination, concentration and memory expansion. Students will learn sounds and techniques of the djembe drum, rhythm structure, traditional rhythms and history from Guinea, West Africa as well as how to have fun playing music at all levels.

African Experience
 Performance 9pm Friday. Tickets at the door, \$10.

Magbana
 Performance 7pm Saturday. Tickets at the door, \$15.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday

6-7pm: Registration
 7-8:45pm: Djembe Technique
 9pm: Performance by African Experience

Saturday

11am-1pm: Registration and shopping
 1-2:30pm: African Dance
 3-5pm: African Drumming
 5:30pm: Dinner, catered by Little India of Saratoga Springs
 7pm: Performance by Magbana

DETAILS

Bring your own drum; there will be a limited number of drums for rent at a nominal fee.
 The Round Lake Auditorium is not heated or air-conditioned.
 Please dress appropriately for the mid-May weather.

REGISTRATION DETAILS

Full Weekend—\$95 by April 30, \$120 after April 30. Includes all workshops, both performances, Saturday dinner.

Friday Package—\$30 by April 30, \$40 after April 30. Includes Friday workshop and both performances.

Saturday Package—\$75 by April 30, \$100 after April 30. Includes Saturday workshops, both performances, Saturday dinner.

Upon receipt of your registration form and 50% deposit, we will send you a confirmation and further information about the workshops and meals.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancel before April 30—full refund.
 Cancel before May 15—50% refund.
 Cancel after May 15—no refunds.

This program is funded in part by the Decentralization Program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts, administered by the Saratoga County Arts Council.

AFRICAN BEATS REGISTRATION

Sign up for:	# of Persons	Cost	Total
<input type="checkbox"/> Entire Weekend	_____	\$95	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Friday Workshop & Both Performances	_____	\$30	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Workshops & Both Performances	_____	\$80	\$ _____
		Subtotal:	_____
		10% discount for groups of 8 or more	_____
		Total:	_____
		50% Deposit Due by April 30:	_____
		Due at Event:	_____

Name(s) of Attendees: _____

Please indicate if you do not have your own drum; we will contact you. _____

Billing Name _____
 Address _____

Phone _____

Method of Payment
 Check
 Visa MasterCard

Credit Card # _____ Exp. date _____

Signature _____

MAIL TO:

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