

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Sept 6th, 2021

**WHAT:** Recovered: Voices and Brushes of Solidarity, Part II. Second online storytelling concert and art auction for 2021 Haiti Earthquake relief

**WHY:** To raise funds for grassroots organizations in remote areas of Haiti

**WHO:** Haitian Artist Assembly of Massachusetts with storytellers and spoken word artists: Co-host Ella Turenne, California, Callise Alexandra, UK, Charlot Lucien, Haiti, Michael Anderson, MA, Cheryl Hamilton, MA, Arnie Danielson, MA, Sharon Kennedy MA, Gail Herman, MA and Emcee/Storyteller, Norah Dooley, MA

**WHEN:** Sunday, September 12, 2021 from 4:00 to 5:30PM

**WHERE:** Zoom Meeting ID:84424313104 Passcode: 972316

**CONTACT:** • Artist, Mimi Desir: 774.219.6429 of the Haitian Artists Assembly of Massachusetts  
• Producers and storytellers: Andrea Lovett: cell 781.267.9979 [love2tell2@aol.com](mailto:love2tell2@aol.com) or Norah Dooley cell: 617.460.3544 [ndooley@storieslive.org](mailto:ndooley@storieslive.org)

On August 14, 2021 a devastating earthquake shook Haiti. It killed more than 2,300 people. Many homes and businesses are irreparable. People are suffering and day to day survival is fraught with uncertainty. With over 140,000 houses, schools, churches and businesses destroyed or severely damaged some 900,000 people are unhoused, living under tents, tarps or in precarious conditions. People in Haiti must start once again rebuilding what they lost for a second time in eleven years. We can help them recover!

*“ I can tell you that these events go a long way in leveraging the power of the arts to improve people's lives. And, they demonstrate to the people of Haiti our sense of shared humanity and the solidarity of New England artists. This is as important as the donations collected.” - Charlot Lucien*

Visual artists and storytellers have taken their shared love of storytelling and painting and woven all together to create this online fundraiser for the people of Haiti. The New England area artist's from the Haitian Artists Assembly of Massachusetts have again donated original artworks to be auctioned off [see images below]. And an international and national roster of storytellers and spoken word artists have come together to perform on the theme Recovered.

*“ For some of us performers, Haitian stories and storytelling have enriched our traditional repertoire for decades. It is fitting that we repay a small part of our debt in the medium of story. Our contemporary storytellers and spoken word artists join us in direct, heartfelt, human solidarity with the people of Haiti”*  
- **Andrea Lovett** and **Norah Dooley** producers/storytellers

Join us on Sunday! Enjoy the stories. Savor and bid on the visual art!

If you are not able to attend, please spread the word! And donations can be made here, any time: <http://mhrtaskforce.wixsite.com/my-site/support-us>

*““As a partner of the Massachusetts Haitian Relief Task Force I am grateful to members of HAAM and to longtime friends of Haiti, my fellow New England storytellers! “ - Charlot Lucien*

A poster and a few of the featured paintings and a poster are below. Hi-resolution images available on request.



**Artist: Cabe Henry, *Jacmel Mountains*, 40" X 22" Acrylic on canvas**



**Artist: Charlot Lucien, *Oath To Freedom*, 18" X 22" Gicl  on canvas**



Artist: Frantz Delva, *Marine, 18" X 22"* Acrylic on canvas



Artist: Jean-Claude Victor, *Harmony in the Flowers Field, 21"x 25"* Oil on canvas

# RECOVERED: STORYTELLING IN SOLIDARITY



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Join us via ZOOM

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**Storytelling, Art Auction  
Fundraising evening to benefit  
Haiti's Earthquake Victims**



Sponsored by guest New England storytellers, HAAM, HAU, AFAB, Brockton Arts, and partners to support The 2021 Mass Haitian Relief Task Force  
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## OUR SPECIAL GUESTS



- Ella Turenne, California
- Callise Alexandra, London, UK
- Michael Anderson, Massachusetts
- Charlot Lucien, Haiti
- Cheryl Hamilton, Massachusetts
- Sharon Kennedy, Massachusetts
- Arnie Danielson, Massachusetts
- Gail Herman, Massachusetts

Norah Dooley, storyteller/host, Massachusetts

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***Spoken Word artists and Storytellers (Brief bios of available on request)***

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