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## CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL and YOUTH PAN FEST Annual festival showcases youth steel bands

Brooklyn, NY – (Saturday, August 24, 2019) – The Carlos Lezama Archives and Caribbean Cultural Center (CLACC-C) will host its' 9<sup>TH</sup> annual Children's Festival and Youth Pan Fest, which showcases junior steel pan talent. The festival, which serves as a precursor to the Caribbean Labor Day weekend festivities, is held on the CLACC-C museum grounds at St. John's Place between Kingston & Brooklyn Avenues. The free festival runs from 1pm to 8pm.

Pan Fest is a major attraction of the CLACC-C Children's Festival, where the Junior steel pan competition includes some of Brooklyn's youngest steel band members. This cultural event attracts pan aficionados throughout New York City. Steel band performances will include, Tropicalfete, Pan Stars, Harmony, Pantonics, C.A.S.Y.M, Pan Evolution, Chrome-A-Pan Metro, Adlib and Verona Steel Orchestra.

The day will begin with entertainment from local youth talent, clown activities, school supply giveaways, kids' mas' bands display and lots of music. The official steel band competition will start at approximately 3:30pm. "The day is fun-filled as we embrace the culture through our youth, as part of the Caribbean Carnival season", Yolanda Lezama-Clark, president of CLACC-C, states.

## ABOUT CLACC-C

The Carlos Lezama Archives and Caribbean Cultural Center (CLACC-C) is a non-profit institution devoted to the development, promotion and preservation of Caribbean culture and history through the collection of archives and art memorabilia. Established in 2005, the CLACC-C mission is to educate communities regarding Caribbean heritage. It promotes and preserves West Indian culture and history through the growth of an archive center dedicated to the legacy of Carlos Lezama, the "godfather" of Brooklyn's annual Caribbean Carnival on Labor Day. <a href="https://www.claccc.org">www.claccc.org</a>.

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