

SALSA SOUL



SISTERS *

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WELCOME MESSAGE

SALSA-SOUL SISTERS IS A THRIVING CONTEMPORARY GROUP FOR LESBIANS OF COLOR. THROUGH WEEKLY DIALOGUE, REGULAR SOCIAL ACTIVITIES AND CONTINUOUS CONCERN AND COMMITMENT, THIS GROUP HAS ENABLED A VARIETY OF THIRD WORLD LESBIANS TO COME OUT AND INTERACT WITH EACH OTHER.

THE IDEA FOR SUCH A GROUP WAS INITIATED BY REV. D. JACKSON IN 1976 AND HAS BEEN NURTURED AND MAINTAINED BY A VARIETY OF CARING AND DEVOTED INDIVIDUAL WOMEN, SOME OF WHOM ARE ACTIVE MEMBERS STILL. THEY REALIZED HOW NECESSARY IT WAS FOR THIRD WORLD LESBIANS TO HAVE A SPACE, OTHER THAN JUST THE BARS TO MEET AND INTERACT FREELY WHERE WE WOULD NOT BE IN THE MINORITY FOR A CHANGE.

THE MAIN PURPOSE OUT OF THE MANY GOALS AND ASPIRATIONS OF SALSA-SOUL SISTERS IS TO MAKE THIRD WORLD LESBIANS VISIBLE AND FUNCTIONING MEMBERS OF THE LESBIAN COMMUNITY OF NEW YORK. ABOVE ALL THE GROUP EXISTS TO SERVE AS A VEHICLE FOR YOU OUR SISTERS TO EXPRESS, LEARN AND CONTRIBUTE IN ANY WAY YOU CAN TO THE STRENGTHENING, UNIFICATION AND OUTRIGHT ENJOYMENT OF THIS OUR CHOSEN SEXUALITY AND LIFESTYLE.

WE OF THE SALSA-SOUL SISTERS BELIEVE UNITY AND COMMUNICATION IS AN INVALUABLE FORCE.

OBJECTIVES

TO PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR THE INDIVIDUAL AND COLLECTIVE NEEDS OF THIRD WORLD LESBIANS THROUGH CONSCIOUSNESS-RAISING.

TO ESTABLISH A SKILL AND INFORMATION SHARING NETWORK.

TO HELP OUR SISTERS MOVE TOWARD ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND POLITICAL FREEDOM SO THAT WE CAN BE BETTER MOTHERS, DAUGHTERS AND WOMEN.

TO EDUCATE AND LEARN FROM EACH OTHER SO THAT WE ARE BETTER ABLE TO PROVIDE POSITIVE IMAGES FOR OURSELVES, OUR CHILDREN AND OUR COMMUNITIES.

TO SOLIDIFY OUR BOND OF SISTERHOOD BY WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE SALSA-SOUL AN EFFECTIVE, RESOURCEFUL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE THIRD WORLD LESBIAN COMMUNITY.

COMMITTEES

YOU HAVE THE POWER TO HELP SALSA-SOUL BECOME MORE THAN WHAT IT IS NOW. OUR STRENGTH IS IN OUR UNITY. YOU JUST CANNOT SAY THAT YOU CARE--MAKE MOTION WHEN SPEAKING COMMITMENT.

SALSA-SOUL HAS FOUR WORKING COMMITTEES. WE NEED, WANT AND WOULD APPRECIATE ANY HELP, IDEAS OR TIME YOU HAVE TO DEVOTE TO THEM.

LISTED BELOW ARE THE COMMITTEES THAT MAKE UP SALSA-SOUL. WE WILL APPRECIATE YOUR PARTICIPATION.

1. FUND RAISING -

HARRIET ALSTON
CASSANDRA GRANT 212-662-8251
SHARON LUCAS

2. MEDIA (NEWSLETTER, MAILING LIST) -

LEE LONE DOG

3. POLITICS -

JEANEE' GRAY
LUVENIA PINSON
AIDA RENTAS

4. OUTREACH -

TIPPY HARRISON

"ALL THAT YOU SEND INTO THE LIVES OF OTHERS WILL SURELY COME BACK TO YOUR OWN."

THIRD WORLD GAY WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION

BY-LAWS

MEMBERSHIP

1. Membership is restricted to lesbians.
2. Membership is open to all Third World lesbians (Blacks, Hispanics, Native Americans (American Indians), Asians, Orientals).
3. One becomes a member by requesting membership, maintaining regular attendance, and paying a \$5.00 membership fee and \$2.00 per month for regular dues thereafter. (subject to change upon notice). Dues are compulsory for all members.

UNIVERSAL FRIENDS

1. Our organization is open to all women who are supportive of lesbian causes.
2. We invite all women to attend our meetings and to share in our social activities.
3. All donations by friends are greatly appreciated.

GOVERNING POLICIES

1. Only members are eligible to nominate, vote and/or hold office.
2. The steering committee is the administrative body of the organization.
3. All members are eligible to become steering committee members upon completing the necessary requirements. (See any Steering Committee member.)
 - a. The steering committee consists of a minimum of nine women and a maximum of fifteen.
 - b. Steering committee members are elected by the Steering Committee and approved by all members of the group.
 - c. The steering committee is responsible for appointing any necessary offices.
 - d. Any steering committee member missing three consecutive steering committee meetings will be asked to resign her position. A majority vote (of steering committee members) will finalize the decision of termination upon review.
 - e. Steering committee meetings will be held bi-weekly. Emergency meetings will be held when necessary.
 - f. The steering committee meetings will be open to all members of the group. Dates of these meetings will be announced. Suggestions are welcomed from all members.
 - g. All members are eligible to participate in all committees of Salsa-Soul.

MEMBERS: LISTED BELOW ARE THE NAMES OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE

HARRIET ALSTON

CANDICE BOYCE

GLORIA COKLEY

EVE' COLEMAN

CASSANDRA GRANT

JEANEE' GRAY

TIPPY HARRISON

NANCY HINDS

LEE LONE DOG

SHARON LUCAS

DE' NORFLEET

LUVENIA PINSON

AIDA RENTAS

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