



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE OF VICTIMS  
OF SLAVERY AND THE TRANSATLANTIC SLAVE TRADE

A stylized silhouette of a person with long dreadlocks, wearing a ruffled skirt and shackles on their wrists and ankles. The person is depicted in a dynamic, almost dancing pose. The text 'EXPRESSING OUR FREEDOM THROUGH CULTURE' is written across the person's torso.

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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Student Videoconference Programme

FRIDAY,  
26 MARCH 2010

Organised by the United Nations  
Department of Public Information  
in collaboration with the  
UNESCO Associated Schools

**Venue: Conference Room 4 – North Lawn Building**  
**Live Webcast by UN Television & Web Services Section**  
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**VIDEOCONFERENCING SITES**

- (1) UN Headquarters
- (2) The Gambia
- (3) United Kingdom
- (4) Trinidad and Tobago
- (5) Ghana
- (6) Cuba
- (7) Jamaica

9:00 am Videoconference sites link with UN Headquarters.  
 Slide show on Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade while students gather.

9:15 am Welcome remarks by Kiyo Akasaka, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information

9:20 am Opening remarks by Dr. Sheila Walker, Moderator

9:25 am Introduction of each videoconference site by students

9:30 am Excerpt from "Slave Routes: A Global Vision", a UNESCO film produced by Dr. Sheila Walker

9:35 am UN Headquarters Students' Presentation: "Defining Blackness" (Poem and Rap)  
 Open discussion, comments and questions from all sites

9:45 am The Gambia Students' Presentation: "Remembering the Impact of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade in The Gambia through Intercultural Dialogue" (Slavery Song, Poem and Readings)  
 Open discussion, comments and questions from all sites.

9:55 am The United Kingdom Students' Presentation: "The Contribution of Freed Slaves to British Culture"  
 Open discussion, comments and questions from all sites

10:05 am Trinidad and Tobago Students' Presentation: "Celebration". (Dance, Poems "Roll De Drums" and "The Legacy", and Drumming "Rhythm of The People")  
 Open discussion, comments and questions from all sites

10:15 am Ghana Students' Presentation: "Expressing our Freedom through Culture"  
 Open discussion, comments and questions from all sites

10:25 am Cuba Students' Presentation  
 Open discussion, comments and questions from all sites

10:35 am Amistad America Presentation  
 Open discussion, comments and questions from all sites

10:45 am Jamaica Students' Presentation  
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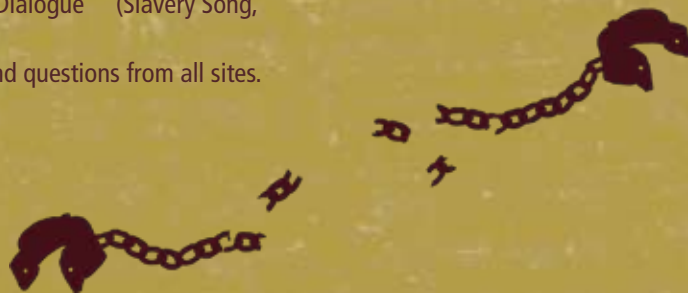
10:55 am UN Headquarters Students' Presentation: "Legacy of Slavery" (Readings) and "The New Complexion" (Poem)  
 Open discussion, comments and questions from all sites

11:05 am Open discussion: All videoconference sites.

11:35 am Closing remarks from Yvonne Acosta, Chief, Education Outreach, UN Department of Public Information

11:40 am Trinidad and Tobago Students: Drumming "Rhythm of the People"

11:45 am Close of Videoconference



# CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS

UNESCO National Commissions, the UNESCO Associated Schools (ASPnet) and NGOs have collaborated with DPI to invite the following schools and groups to participate in the videoconference

## Schools participating at remote sites

THE GAMBIA NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO/ASPNET

Ndow's Comprehensive Lower Basic School  
Nusrat Senior Secondary school (KMC)  
St Joseph's Senior Secondary School

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GHANA NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO/ASPNET

The Accra Academy School, Kanashie, Accra  
Odorgonno Senior High School, Awoshie, Accra  
Accra Girls Senior High School, Mamobi, Accra.

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JAMAICA NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO/ASPNET

ST Andrew High School for Girls  
ST Thomas Technical High School  
Mico College University  
UNESCO Club

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TRINIDAD & TOBAGO NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO/ASPNET

ASJA Girls School, San Fernando  
Barataria South Secondary, Barataria  
Bishop Anstey East, Trincity  
Cowen Hamilton Secondary, Moruga  
Hillview College, Tunapuna  
Naparima College, San Fernando  
Naprima Girls' High School, San Fernando  
Queen's Royal College, St. Clair  
Russell Latapy Secondary School, Morvant  
Sixth Form College, St. James  
St. Francois Girls College, Belmont  
St. George's College, Barataria  
St. Joseph's Convent, Port-of-Spain  
St. Stephen's College, Princes Town  
Trinity College East, Trincity  
Bishop's High School, Mt. Marie Road, Tobago

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Mason Hall Secondary School, Centre Street, Bon Accord, Tobago  
Scarborough Secondary School, Milford Road, Tobago  
Speyside High School, Speyside, Tobago

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UNITED KINGDOM NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO/ASPNET  
Sheldon School, Chippenham

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## Schools participating at United Nations Headquarters

UNESCO ASSOCIATED SCHOOLS, (ASPnet), UNITED STATES  
Highland School, Warrenton, Virginia  
Metropolitan Learning Center, Bloomfield, Connecticut  
Waldorf School of Baltimore, Baltimore, Maryland

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SCHOOLS INVITED BY THE UNITED STATES NATIONAL NGO, THE LINKS, INCORPORATED

Boys & Girls High School, Brooklyn, New York  
Bulkeley High School, Hartford, Connecticut  
John Costley, East Orange, New Jersey, New York  
Mt. Vernon High School, Mt. Vernon, New York  
Rice High School, Manhattan, New York  
Samuels Gumpers High School, Bronx, New York  
South Middle School (including 1-Mott Hall II), Brentwood, New York  
St. Raymond High School, Bronx, New York  
The Motts School, Brentwood, New York  
The Young Women's Leadership School, Queens, New York  
Thornton High School, Mt. Vernon, New York

Thornton Township High Schools District 205, South Holland, Illinois  
U.C. TEAMS Charter, Plainfield, New Jersey  
University Heights High School, Bronx, New York  
Willingboro High School, Willingboro, New Jersey  
Youngstown Early College, Youngstown, Ohio

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## Other Schools and Organizations

Eagle Academy, Englewood, New Jersey  
Hall School, Bridgeport, Connecticut  
Westhill High School, Stamford, Connecticut  
Blue Nile Passage, Inc., Harlem, New York

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## The Links, Incorporated/Schools joining the conference by live webcast

Frayser High School, Memphis, Tennessee  
Madison Middle School, Miami, Florida  
Noble School, Detroit, Michigan  
Thornton Township High Central, South Holland, Illinois  
University School, Nashville, Tennessee  
Woodmont Middle School, Piedmont, South Carolina

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## Schools from:

The Links Eastern Area, Long Island, New York  
The Links Eastern Area, Hampton, Virginia  
The Links Eastern Area, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania