# STUDIO AFRICA

Calendar of Events for 2010-2011 Program Year

(Please consider this calendar as the FINAL version unless notice is provided otherwise)

## OCTOBER

### Student Orientation

Location: Payne Elementary  
**Date & Time:** Tuesday October 26th, 9:30AM-11AM  
Performer: Farafina Kan  
Theme: Introduction to Studio Africa. West African dance and music performance.

## NOVEMBER

### NMAFA Tishman Collection Tour & Grassroots

Location: NMAFA  
**Payne:** Tuesday November 16th 11:30-2:30pm  
**Wheatley:** Wednesday November 17th 10:30am-1:30pm  
Activity: Docent led tour  
Workshop: Pier, basketry  
Theme: Students learn the strong connection between African culture and Gullah traditions.

### Teacher Orientation

Location: NMAFA  
**Date:** TBA  
Theme: Tour, Studio Africa program overview, lunch, and arts workshop.

### Postal Museum Outreach Workshop

Location: Both schools (classroom)  
**Payne:** Thursday November 18th 10am-11am  
**Wheatley:** Tuesday November 23rd 10am-11am  
Theme: African Stamps Speak: Every stamp tells a story in this program, the stories are all about Africa. Our educator will introduce a wealth of stamps from all over the continent and ask your students to identify what stories the images tell. Students then get an opportunity to pick their own stamps and write a picture story to narrate.
### DECEMBER
**Kwanzaa Time!**
Location: both schools (gym/auditorium)
**Payne Elementary:** Tuesday December 14th 11:30-2:30pm  
**Wheatley:** Wednesday December 15th 10am-1pm  
Theme: Students will learn the principles of Kwanzaa. Highlighted are the Kwanzaa principles and the African concept of what constitutes family and community.

### JANUARY
**Interactive DJ workshop**  
Location: both schools (gym/auditorium)  
**Payne:** Tuesday January 18th 1:15pm-2:15pm  
**Wheatley:** Wednesday January 19th 1pm-2pm  
Theme: Students learn the history and sounds of Afro Beat music!

### FEBRUARY
**Anansegronma**  
Location: Both schools, (gym/auditorium)  
**Payne:** Tuesday Feb. 15th 1:15pm-2:15pm  
**Wheatley:** Wednesday Feb. 9th 1pm-2pm  
Theme: West African interactive music and dance performance.

### MARCH
**Video conferencing with Ghana!**  
Location: Payne Elementary  
**Wednesday March 9th 10am-12pm**  
Activity: Video Conference with Ghana  
Theme: Students will ask Ghanaian students questions live!

### APRIL
**Vera Anna Oye, Farmers Market Trip**  
Location: both schools (classroom)  
**Wheatley:**  
- **Orientation:** Monday April 4th 10am-11am  
- **Trip:** Wednesday April 6th 10am-1pm  
**Payne:**  
- **Orientation:** Wednesday April 13th 2pm-3pm  
- **Trip:** Wednesday April 27th 10am-1pm  
Theme: A visit to the Farmers Market and dining! Students will learn the importance of cooking and eating *slow food*. Also, students will learn the role of the African Market and how to shop at a market.
May
Mount Calvert Historical & Archeological Park
Location: Mount Calvert Road, Upper Marlboro
Payne: Tuesday May 3rd 10am-1pm
Wheatley: Wednesday May 4th 10am-1pm
Theme: Between the 1780’s-1860’s, Mount Calvert was a tobacco plantation. The Mount Calvert plantation depended on slave labor. Students can dig for African artifacts found on the site and learn how “close” Africa really is!

May
Embassy Day
Location: TBA
Friday May 27th 10am-1pm
Theme: Students will learn about the African Embassy, view student exhibition, African performance, and student presentations.

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