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Upcoming Programming at Circuit Productions in November 2008

- ***“Rhythm Journeys: Masters of World Music and Dance”*** – performance featuring **Irene Koloseus’ Feraba: African Rhythm Tap Dance Company**
- ***“Rhythm Journeys”*** – **Orlando Marin: The Last Mambo King- Music concert**
featuring the Orlando Marin Quintet

Brooklyn, New York, November 1, 2008 – Circuit Productions, Inc., announced today that *Rhythm Journeys: Masters of World Music and Dance* will feature free performances and workshops in the Bronx and Nassau County, produced by Susan Goldbetter during November 2008. The entire series – from September 2008 through June 2009, consists of dozens of free concerts throughout Brooklyn, Manhattan, the Bronx, and Nassau County, focusing on world music and dance.

FERABA: IRENE KOLOSEUS AND ANDY ALGIRE

- Sunday, November 16, 2008 from 3:00-4:00 PM
- Free Tap and African Lecture Demonstration
- Uniondale Library, 400 Uniondale Avenue,
Uniondale, LI, New York 11553-1995
- Information/Directions: 516.489.2220

Come celebrate West African and American dance and drumming with two members of *Irene Koloseus’s Feraba: African Rhythm Tap Dance Company*. Koloseus, the group’s founder/Artistic Director will perform with Andy Algire, the group’s percussionist/Musical Director. The acclaimed company led the late tap dancer, Gregory Hines to exclaim, “I’ve never seen anything like it!” The two recently returned with the full company from a tour of West Africa. Be prepared for a lecture demonstration that includes YOU!

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ORLANDO MARIN – THE LAST MAMBO KING

- Saturday, November 22, 2008 from 2:30-3:30 PM
- Bronx Library Center, 310 East Kingsbridge Road,
Bronx, New York 10458
- Information/Directions: 718.579.4244

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Orlando Marin grew up in the Bronx on Longwood Avenue around Dawson Street. It is the same neighborhood that many great Latin musicians came from. He is self-taught having picked up lessons from guys like Joe Rodriguez who studied with Machito's timbale player, Uba Nieto. (Orlando didn't have the money for the lessons at the time).

Orlando is one of the few drummer/bandleaders, who since the early 1950's formed his own band. It was his first -a trio- featuring the 14-year old [Eddie Palmieri](#) on piano. His first singer with the band was Joe Quijano and the bass player was David Perez. Orlando can claim to be, at the time of this interview, the second longest running Latin band in New York, after [Tito Puente's](#). The era that he was part of is referred to as "The Era of The Pioneers", and the decade of the 1950s is surely the greatest era of Latin music. Today Orlando continues to perform regularly at festivals, colleges, libraries, museums and health facilities including nursing homes and hospitals.

About Circuit Productions, Inc.

Circuit Productions, Inc. was founded by Susan Goldbetter in 1986 as a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion, production and preservation of the uniquely American art forms of jazz and tap dance. Our mission is to inspire, entertain and educate underserved audiences in New York through performances, public classes, workshops, and arts education programs featuring senior artists of color who are living legends of the city's rich tap and jazz history. Annually, Circuit provides booking and management services for senior and emerging artists; placing performers in museums, libraries, community-based organizations, local colleges, public schools, and hospitals.

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