

Saturday, June 20, 2009

1:00-9:00 PM



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BIG on Bloor

Street Festival

On Saturday June 20, join thousands of people as Bloor Street is closed to traffic from Christie to Lansdowne with over 500 tables from 1:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Toronto's longest street festival, BIG on Bloor, will be a fun car-free space for the neighbourhood to come together and celebrate its wide range of businesses, community groups and cultural producers. Last year the volunteer coalition, Bloor Improvement Group (BIG), initiated the street festival as an opportunity for diverse people and groups to get to know each other, and revitalize the neighbourhood by celebrating it. More info at www.bigonbloor.com/festival

ARTS & CRAFTS Featuring a range of handmade, one-of-a-kind, organic, ethically produced, free-trade, sweatshop-free, recycled and recyclable goods; vintage clothes, hand screened t-shirts; an extensive range of eclectic paintings, pottery and jewelry inspired from around the world.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS Students from Bloor CI and Kent will be connecting with local residents about how they see the neighbourhood with festival attendees participating in a large interactive game outside Bloor CI at Dufferin. Check out the banner painted by Alpha Alternative School students outside the tennis courts.

WRITERS Meet several Toronto writers and publishers including local author Philippa Dowding reading from her new children's book "The Gargoyle in my Backyard", which takes place in the Dovercourt Park area

FOOD More than 30 restaurants with extended patios for the day offering an international fare of food, drinks and barbecues.

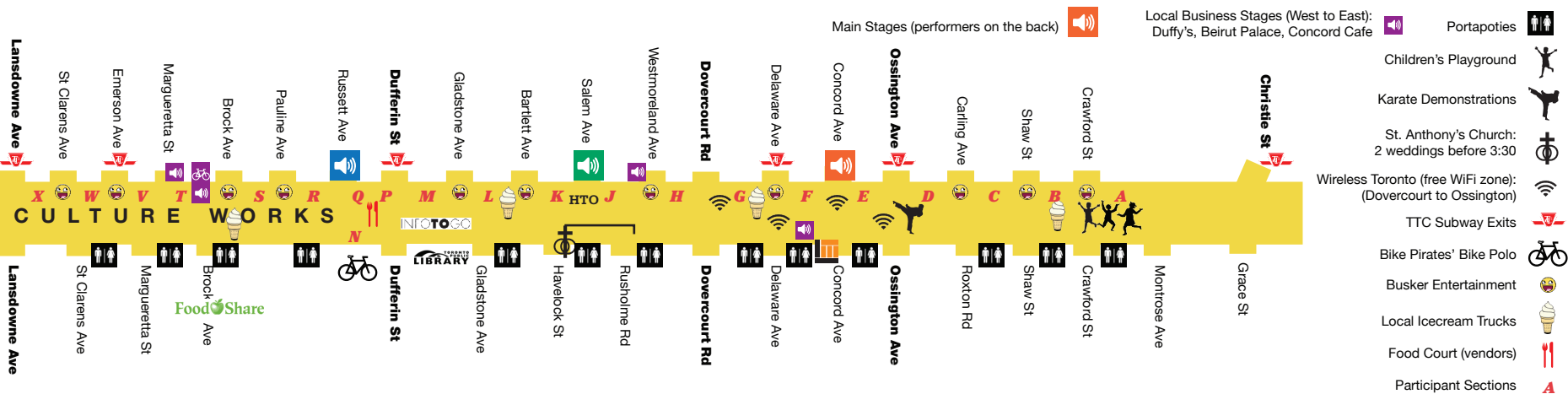
PERFORMING ARTS Three stages featuring pop, traditional Portuguese, indie, African, South American, punk and reggae music; dance companies, acrobats; enjoy skits at the Comedy Bar, drum and community jams, street performers, buskers, and Clay & Paper Theatre's puppets on bikes will be celebrating on Bloor. Duffy's Tavern will have a music stage and beer garden and Concord Cafe opens up a patio with under 19 dedicated musicians followed by a local jam after 7.

CULTURE WORKS Major cultural institutions and celebrated local art organizations will be gathering between Lansdowne and Dufferin. Among the 100+ participants, visit annhomanART's postcard-based participatory art event creating face-to-face interaction between festival goers and local storefront operators to address the cultural, social and economic goals of BIG on Bloor festival; Mercer Union; Toronto Free Gallery; Live DJing and emceeing: enjoy dancing while Funktion Gallery brings the funk out onto the street.

MISC. Second Harvest will be collecting food donations; Bloordale is having a Free Exchange of Information, Goods and Services, Stuff and Activities; Inorganic Market will be collecting old computer hardware; The Nesting Place will offer a quiet breast feeding spot for moms with babies; Bloorcourt Vet will supply water for thirsty dogs; Bike Pirates will run a Bike Polo in the tennis courts at Dufferin. and Wireless Toronto gives us a taste of a wireless zone within Bloorcourt.



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A (Montrose to Crawford)

- Madras Masala South Indian Cuisine (796 Bloor W)

B (Crawford to Shaw)

- Ciao Bella
- Friends of Christie Pits Park
- Bilianas jewelry
- MPP Rosario Marchese
- Hope Link
- Serenade Jewels By: Anna Kwang
- Odalis Petit Menagerie
- Mari's Art by Design
- Kynk Naturals
- Atelier Setsu
- Tara Gilchrist Glass
- Lemon Meringue
- Handmade Pottery and PaperQuips
- Face Painting
- Reyes Glass and Mirror
- Bunny Hop Cartoon Art
- The Shiatsu Centre
- Beady Eyes
- Henna by Emily
- Roz Hermant Photography
- The Six Artists Who Can't Come Up With A Name.
- Green Students Fundraising
- orange-sunshine clothing
- Rare Birds Clothing
- ReelHeART International Film Festival (RHIF)
- Front Door Organics
- Pero Restaurant (812 Bloor W)
- Asshe Restaurant at (814 Bloor W)

C (Shaw to Roxton)

- gotamago
- Serena Chen Illustration
- Total Equilibrium
- The Treehouse Group
- Dandelion Daycare Co-op
- Betty Mirembe Art
- Selina Ann
- Mexi Taco (828 Bloor W)
- African Palace (834 Bloor W)
- Zembaba (838 Bloor W)

- Dahlak (840 Bloor W)
- Menalon (841 Bloor W)

D (Roxton to Ossington)

- Lettuce Knit
- My Artist PLAY DATE Club Co.
- Floralistic
- Bebbers
- Ooh La La Divas
- Notice Me Jeans
- T.J Gift Shop
- Shiatsu Heals/Mind your Body
- Rhona & Colleen & Wendy
- ReelHeART International Film Festival (RHIF)
- Afrodellik Designs
- Astoria Athens (865 Bloor W)
- Zagol (875 Bloor W)
- Stan's (881 Bloor W)
- Black Belt World (883 Bloor W)

E (Ossington to Concord)

- Hello! stuff by David Chiu
- Heesen Jewellery
- Bruce County Nut & Fudge Co.
- Kiwi Punch Designs
- Wholisticaroma Handcrafted Skin care and Handmade Cosmetics
- Triple J Collective
- Tete jewellery
- Designs in Demand/Bead-by-Bead
- Sunso Global Power Inc.
- Toronto Catholic District School Board - Adult Education Program
- Mapleleaf-Insulation Inc
- Deputy Mayor Joe Pantalone
- Benya Arroyave
- Spaycentral Toronto
- Juhsteen Dolls
- Garage Sale Table
- Whitney M
- Soap of Love
- Beiju Jewelry
- You Are What You Love
- Petrified Baggage & Hungry Pack of Wolves
- Chillado
- Evitasbeads

- GlobalAware
- RedOlive Hand Me Downs
- Designs by Monica Laflamme & Tiffany Huta
- Wonju Shin
- Balloon Sculpters
- Iva O.
- Safari Stylez
- Ruby & Apple
- Satin Creations
- Organic Products Lanka Inc.
- Olivia Chow, M.P.
- Stephanie Love and Brianne Daigle
- A Stroll in The Park Walking & Adventure Club
- African Lineage
- TENZING TASHI
- Immanuel Indonesian Food
- FANISONG JEWELRY
- Kidsbank Help Foundation
- Ink Petals and Papeterie Délice
- Xenia Vakova
- KarenFoundIt
- Twice Found
- The ReFinery
- CIBC Bank (892 Bloor W at Ossington)

F (Concord to Delaware)

- Bloor News
- Hearing Protection Ontario
- Fredrick Prince
- Anarres Natural Health
- fairlyfashionable.ca
- Threes Company Jewellery and Accessories
- Spot On Organizing
- REVIVE On-Site Massage
- Second Harvest
- Major Scale Entertainment Group
- Llama Canoe Designs
- With An Indian Touch
- Canadian Scholarship Trust Plan
- Joy Pottery
- Ellas Botanicals
- St. Christopher House
- College-Montrose Children's Place
- Wireless Toronto
- The Black Horse (928 Bloor W)
- Concord Café (937 Bloor W)
- Comedy Bar (945B Bloor W)

G (Delaware to Dovercourt)

- The Delawares
- Conecions Latina
- Yes World Boutique
- Sa-zzle
- T.N.A.J. Terre Noire Accessories & Jewellery
- The Fairies Pyjamas
- Kurukuru
- Tony Ruprecht, MPP
- Ransack the Universe
- Sassy Glass Girl
- Butter Pecan
- Sonia Tavares
- The Ultimate Burrito
- Earth Angel Designs
- Inspirations Studio Sistering
- Caribbean Kitchen and Catering
- Bloor Dovercourt Appliances (959 Bloor W)
- Sistering's On The Path & SisterKnit (962 Bloor W)
- Hurricane's (963 Bloor W)
- Disgraceland (965 Bloor W)
- Nazareth (967 Bloor W)
- RBC Royal Bank (974 Bloor W)
- Cleopatra (977 Bloor W)

H (Dovercourt to Westmoreland)

- The Nesting Place Prenatal Classes and Doula Care
- Chatpeaux
- imagemynation
- Shakti Clothing
- Forever Designs
- Opportunity for Advancement
- Living Earth Shiatsu Clinic
- Midbrow Designs
- Nettie Design
- love-me-knots
- Tweek
- Four Caricature Artists and a Cook
- Six Degrees Community Acupuncture
- it's a home business
- Ahn Na Lim
- Smitten Kitten
- Body Candy by Cheryl

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- Drum Artz Canada
- Jin Ah Lim
- UrsulaArt
- **Jankie's** (985 Bloor W)
- **Ponta Delgado** (990 Bloor W)
- **Mazz Sushi** (993 Bloor W)

J (Westmoreland to Salem)

- Imago Press
- Friends of the Paradise Cinema
- Scented Romance
- Candy Pants
- REPT
- Princess Lillyflower Designs
- Paupers Bounty
- **Atlantis** (1005 Bloor W)
- **Beirut Palace** (1006 Bloor W)
- **Courrese Bakery** (1014 Bloor W)
- **National Money Mart** (1022 Bloor W)
- **O Padrinho** (1026 Bloor W)
- **Dominion Beauty** (1028 Bloor W)
- **Tokyo Sushi** (1049 Bloor W)

K (Salem to Bartlett)

- Toronto Environment Office
- RW SPORTS
- RedHen Craft
- Philippa Dowding
- Bluesbeads
- IRON UKE
- Fancy Pants Kids
- Shannon Echlin Photography
- dujoo
- Anice Jewellery
- Petal&Spoke
- Green Party
- Stricklysalsa entertainment/
learners academy driving school
- Do Bamboo.com
- **Accident Resolution Group/
Patey Law Group** (1043 Bloor W)
- **Bloor Bar Café** (1050 Bloor W)
- **Queen of Sheba** (1051 Bloor W)
- **El Jacal** (1056 Bloor W)
- **O Petisco Portugues** (1067 Bloor W)

L (Bartlett to Gladstone)

- Kaotic Ekkos Curiosities
- Threes Company
- Clay & Paper Theatre
- Salvage Designs
- Shifty Accessories
- Apa Design
- EVAS IMPORT
- Zipcar
- The Grove Community School
- Lamin Illustration & Design
- J&J Variedades
- **Councillor Giambrone**
- RoRo Art Sock Monkeys!
- Unraku
- PRIN PRON PICS
- Mujeres Creativas
- Diana K & Andrea's Designs
- North Meets South
- Magnolias Radiant Faces
- Howard Studios
- Kirsten Rohloff
- **Bloorcourt Veterinary Clinic** (1079 Bloor W)

M (Gladstone to Dufferin)

- Working Women Community Centre
- The Giving Niche
- Roxx Jewels
- Oasis Dufferin Community Centre
- Creating Imagination
- Edward Jones
- zom-b & modernemotive
- The Giving Niche
- Creating Imagination
- Sunflower Gems
- Goldfield's Jewelry
- ecoSanity.org
- ATD Fourth World Movement
- Zoopar Creations
- Metro Toronto Movement For Literacy
- Greg Ponte
- Nora Molyneaux
- Hogtown Swing Dance Studios
- Sweet Kisses Jewellery
- Maple Airbrush
- Friends of Yryapu
- Ulees Creations
- Kent Senior Public School
- Hot Indian and Pakistani Food
- PJK NATURAL SOURCE
- **Tim Horton's** (1094 Bloor W)
- **Toronto Public Library: Bloor Gladstone
District Branch** (1101 Bloor W)
- **CIBC Bank** (1129 Bloor W at Dufferin)

N (Artists Court/Parking Lot)

- Monkey Feet
- LOCO Designs
- Joel Richardson
- Arte-facto by Andrea Romero
- Chain Reaction Jewellery Design
- NIKA Art Glass
- PMV?
- Smart Sass Designs
- Artists' Health Centre Foundation
- Lalyla Jewellery
- Meya'Teyes Authentiks
- Sandra Salcedo

P (Dufferin to Russett)

- Dovercourt Baptist Church
- Heritage Education Funds

Q (Food Court/Dufferin

to Russett)

- The Local Cafe
- Top-Dog
- S&A Citrus Shack
- Catered Delights
- Fudge 4 You
- Boston Pizza
- Beijing Creperie
- California Ice Dessert and Hot Dog and Sausage

R (Russett to Pauline)

- 2mille Jewelry
- Gunks Designs
- Petunia Soap
- Treasures of Hope
- Urban Fusions
- The Goddess Collective
- Marsal Behdad's Art
- Covet Originals

- Anne Carbert, Career Counsellor
- ATAW Illustration and Design
- Tagua Accessories
- Me to We Style
- Inorganic Market
- hJo Designs
- Toronto Transit Commission
- La Leche League Canada -
Dufferin Grove Group
- **Three Speed** (1163 Bloor W)

S (Pauline to Brock)

- CGJ Impex
- Artworx Glass Studio
- Cheryl Edwards
- And The Rest!
- Penela's Earth
- Fine Art Cards and Gifts
- Crystal Dreams
- West Toronto Community Legal Services
- Nature Waves TM
- Shea All Naturals
- Bumblebee Botanicals
- Cover Stories
- Stacey Leunes Creations
- Ian Levack Photography
- echo designs
- Service Canada Center For Youth (Dufferin Mall)
- Bloor Lansdowne Christian Fellowship

T (Brock to Margueretta)

- Monday Night Run Club
- Calico cafe and catering
- Foodshare
- Catered Delights
- Spirited Designs
- Susan Anstead Photography
- Fleece is your Friend
- World March for Peace and Nonviolence
- Vietnamese Spring Rolls
- Hogtown Printing Company
- Metal Tiger Sales
- Dufferin Mall Youth Services- Abrigo Centre
- Luzent
- Jon Muldoon
- Slashpile Designs
- Tinbit Multimedia
- Toronto Adult Student Association
- TIBET GIFT HOUSE
- Beat Black
- Smq Organics
- AnitaCakes
- Active Yoga - Bikram Yoga - Hot!
- Two Of A Kind Jewellery
- Jellyfish Jewelry
- National Film Board Mediatheque
- **Sweet Pete's Bicycle Shop** (1204 Bloor W)
- **Duffy's** (1238 Bloor W)

V (Margueretta to Emerson)

- Garnet/Abrams
- griffin
- Isabelle Mignault, Visual Artist
- Cozette Vintage & Designs
- Julia Burton
- Bloordale BIA
- Urban Jungle Arts Collective
- Rozaneh
- Life Chiropractic

- Davenport Neighbours for Peace
- citizens income toronto
- Osvaldo Sales Gallery
- Glitz and Glass
- Lifecycles Wellness
- Mark Smith
- RattyOldPuppet & CANDYDISH DESIGNS
- Stuewe CDs & LPs
- Angela & Yeon
- TIBETAN PAPER & HANDICRAFT
- Zippan Designs
- Toronto Cat Rescue
- **FUNKTION GALLERY** (1244 Bloor W)


W (Emerson to St. Clarens)

- GreenHere
- DIGIN
- John Howard Society of Toronto
- Underpass Project
- Salvation Army Thrift Store
- Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition
- ONTARIO CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC
- Charbonneau Dance Studio
- Art Gallery of Ontario
- Elgin and Winter Garden Theatre Centre
- Cirque-ability
- Fringe of Toronto Theatre Festival
- Yasi's Friends & Neighbourhood
Resources. PWYC Dinner @ 6pm
- South Asian Womens Centre
- CELOS
- **Holy Oak Cafe** (1241 Bloor W)

X (St. Clarens to Lansdowne)

- Britten Memorial Church
- rolika
- Indian eStore Inc.
- AutoShare
- fantasticmio
- Toronto Feral Cat Project
- Silver Circle: West Toronto
Services for Seniors
- Tank and Beauty
- Open Door Designs
- Campaign for Public Education
- artyzen
- D Strong Imports
- Toronto School of Art
- Molly Crealock Photography
- Sam & Oliver's Fine Catnippery
- Adrienne Trent
- Doris Purchase Artist and Graphic Designer
- Carolle Louise Bright, author
- Toronto Biennale 2011
- annhomanART
- Displayit
- **Café Stella** (1261 Bloor W)
- **Toronto Free Gallery** (1277 Bloor W)
- **Mercer Union, a Centre for
Contemporary Art** (1286 Bloor W)
- **Bike Pirates** (1292 Bloor W)

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	Russett Stage	Salem Stage (MC Gary 17)	Concord Stage
1:00 1:30	<p>Ote'a Tane: An all men's one of a kind group in Canada, Polynesian dance troupe based in Toronto which, since 2004, has mesmerized diverse audiences and extended life to an ancient practice. www.oteatane.com</p>	<p>Shady Tree: An eclectic mix of swing, bluegrass and blues played on acoustic instruments</p>	<p>Opening Ceremonies: Featuring the Fort York Fire and Drum Corps, The Bloor Improvement Group Executive Committee, Lance Lehman, Spiro Koumadouros, Joe Pantalone, Maria Silva, Tony Ruprecht and Olivia Chow</p> <p>Hogtown Swing: Swing dancing performances to vintage jazz music. www.HogtownSwing.com</p>
2:00 2:45	<p>Grupo Folclorico de Barcelos: Folklorik music from Portugal traditions, we have players and dancers..</p>	<p>LOFT Music: Dedicated to the upliftment of young artists and musicians fusing hip hop, reggae, soul, jazz and other types of urban sounds together to make intelligent music. www.conccommunity.org/loft</p> <p>Hogtown Swing: Swing dancing performances to vintage jazz music. www.HogtownSwing.com</p>	<p>Robert Davis Blues Duo: BIG blues by talented acoustic duo. We make music that evokes blues from the delta to the city with wailing harp and driving guitar. www.robertdavis.biz</p>
3:00 3:15 3:45	<p>Cirque-ability: The instructors of Cirque-ability perform their brand new Acro Dance. www.cirque-ability.com</p> <p>Tuned: Kids from Grades 5-7 perform rock music.</p>	<p>Duo Grande: We're a fun, toe tapping, hand clapping trio. Bringing back blasts from the past...and a few from the present!! www.DuoGrand.com</p> <p>Strickly Salsa: Check out these awesome dance moves!</p>	<p>Fidget: Stoking up female fever with its five-piece all-girl, eye-popping, ear-blasting group. www.myspace.com/fidgetpunk</p>
4:00	<p>ONG: A newly formed inter-cultural music quartet of leading Toronto musicians, featuring a unique blend of Persian, Hindustani, Indonesian and Western instruments and musical sounds.</p>	<p>Glen Hornblast Band: Jazz, Folk, Blues www.myspace.com/glenhornblast</p>	<p>HOTCHA! High-energy hillbilly swing duo. HOTCHA! music comes from the swamp, the mines, the mountains and the porch – rustic, rural songs of work and faith, delivered with the energy of a runaway train. www.myspace.com/HOTCHA7</p>
5:00	<p>Anima Fado: Portuguese Fado with a contemporary touch.</p>	<p>Andrea Kuzmich: Smooth vocals, classy jazz. Whether solo with her guitar or accompanied by a full band, Andrea Kuzmich draws “her listeners into a world of sensuality and inner city blues” (Rudy Blair 680 News) www.myspace.com/singinkuz</p>	<p>Double Bill! Pavement Princess and Plastic Star: Pop/Funk Punk Grunge. We are bands that want to play together. I play for Elissa and she plays for me we have an awesome drummer we share. www.myspace.com/guitarhart www.myspace.com/elissabarclay</p>
6:00 6:45	<p>Magnolia the Voice of Love: Magnolia's Prayers and Pantomima of life is part of the Creative Gospel Ministry Magnolia the Voice of Love. magnolialavozdelamor.blogspot.com</p> <p>Hogtown Swing: Swing dancing performances to vintage jazz music. www.HogtownSwing.com</p>	<p>Airheart: Dropping trip hop beats and grooves that shake the floor wrapped in luscious harmonies, all the while accompanying it with heart on your sleeve lyrics, delicately powerful jazz melodies, improvised electric violin, and live drums. www.listentoairheart.com</p>	<p>Teenage X: Blasting original punk rock n' roll anthems. The female-fronted five piece will grab you with catchy melodies and leave you with a new attitude. www.myspace.com/teenagexrocks</p>
7:00	<p>Frank Wilks: Folk, classic rock, original music with CDs available! I perform by myself or with my 3 piece band. www.myspace.com/frankwilksfolk</p>	<p>Rosslyn Picton: I am a singer/songwriter. My music is more acoustic/folk. It is just me and my guitar.</p>	<p>Mr. Flowas: An explosive Jamaican-Canadian artist offering an original blend of Reggae, and Hip-hop fused with an R&B flavour; through creative, intelligent, thoughtful content, Mr. Flowas expresses meaningful messages with a smooth, almost hypnotic delivery. www.myspace.com/fluxmobclan</p>
8:00	<p>Crookedhook: A 4 piece Rock band from Toronto. They formed in December of 2005 and recorded their first demo Rock or Walk in 2006. They released their first Full Length Album All We Got in 2007 and are currently promoting their new EP Breathe Pollution. www.crookedhook.net</p>	<p>The Harbour Sharks: Featured in Pedestrian Sundays in Kensington Market, The Harbour Sharks play a blend of Afro-Jazz, Reggae and Soul that moves your feet and fills the street!</p>	<p>The Stormalongs: Warm, melodic, ambient, passionate rock music. Their songs combine guitar sonics with lyrical depth, imbued with a unique and exciting musical chemistry. www.myspace.com/thestormalongs</p>
4:00 7:00	<p>Sweet Pete's Bicycle Shop (Section T)</p> <p>Mr. Something Something: The band is taking audience participation to new levels with its SoundCycle Canada's first bicycle powered sound system. Power to the people, by the people! Come and add your energy to both shows!</p>	<p><i>Mr. Something Something represents six years of composing, performing, risk taking, improving and ultimately mobilizing the original vision of founding members Larry Graves [drums/percussion] and John MacLean [saxophone/voice]. 20 years of playing, studying and traveling passed before these two childhood friends settled on the unbeatable dance rhythms</i></p>	<p><i>of Nigeria, Senegal, Mali and Ghana as the most natural gathering place for the elements that would ultimately make up the Mr. Something Something sound.</i></p>