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Africa Meets Africa Live! MAKES “BACK TO MY ROOTS,” A REALITY!

(Washington, DC, Nov. 7th, 2006) There is a new rush to Africa with celebrities such as Oprah Winfrey, Whoopi, Chris Tucker and Isaiah Washington tracing their roots back to Africa. The Africa focused radio magazine, *Africa Meets Africa* on Pacifica Radio's WPFW 89.3 FM is taking its agenda up close and personal, extending its platform and mission beyond the airwaves. Host & Executive Producer, Angelique Shofar is bringing the spirit of Africa alive, inspiring closer ties between people of African descent and the continent, putting ideas into action, while expanding vision and hope for a new Africa.

On Sunday, November 19th people will gather at the entry of the door of no return. This month's theme is “BACK TO MY ROOTS”. Shofar plans on taking her audience back to Africa and empowering them with words, resources, wisdom and the tools needed to trace their roots through DNA Genealogy.

According to DNA Tribes President, Lucas Martin, “Our DNA test kits include an African Panel which specifically measures a persons genetic conditions to individual ethnic and national populations.” The question is, to what extent would one's life be transformed through the discovery of their past and place of origin in Africa. Priscilla's Homecoming reunited the Gullah people of South Carolina's Sea Islands and the people of Sierra Leone. Charlotte Maize of Tampa, Florida explains her journey as, “a spiritual awakening that brought an unexplainable sense of peace to me.” Now she travels back and forth to what she now calls her real home. Many say it is a dream they can not afford. But for a few lucky individuals, on that evening they will leave with a DNA test kit that will make their roots and cultural identity a reality!

Each month *Africa Meets Africa Live!* will focus on a particular theme or topic that impacts the lives of Africans . It takes place at Bukom Cafe, 2442 18th Street NW, Washington, DC. The doors open at 7:30pm for meet and network, the program begins at 9:00pm.

The guest line up includes James E. White, Author of *Roots Recovered: The How to Guide for Tracing African American and West Indies Roots Back to Africa and Going There*, Gina Paige, President of African Ancestry. There will be live entertainment by Comedienne Freddi Vernell, Poetry by spoken word artist, Men Maa Aim Ra, Art décor by Iroko Gallery and live music from the new band “Rebel Vibes”. The event is sponsored by Bukom Cafe, DNA Tribes, Roots Recovered and Iroko Gallery. Proceeds go to the “*Explore Africa*” cultural holistic project for school-aged children and WPFW.

Tune in to Africa Meets Africa with host, Angelique Shofar on Sundays at 9:00pm on 89.3 FM WPFW and live on the web at www.wpfw.org

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