## **GUYANA CULTURAL ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK, INC.**

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July 25<sup>th</sup> 2016 Cyril Bryan 619 Amaretto Avenue, Pickering. Ontario. L1X 2V2 Canada

Dear Mr. Bryan:

I am honored to announce that you have been selected as a recipient of the 2016 Guyana Cultural Association Exemplary Award. Congratulations. You are recognized for your outstanding editing and cultural enabler role in social media. Your cultural sensitivities provide information on Guyanese worldwide. A distinctive characteristic of Guyanese Online is its features of historical and cultural facts. You have attained a highly impressive viewership in the millions through the presence of balance and authenticity. We know that you are inspired by your rich Guyanese cultural heritage.

The Guyana Cultural Association Folk Festival Award ceremony is an annual event in Brooklyn, NY. On August 31, 2016, we will celebrate the fifteenth anniversary of the founding of our organization.

Since 2001, we have promoted the contributions of some of the leading artists and cultural enablers to the Guyanese society in the 20th century. The 2016 honorees are spread across the Guyanese Diaspora. They reside in the United States of America, Canada, Guyana, United Kingdom, and Barbados where the recipients display their global, regional and national impact in various sectors. They achieved significant accomplishments in visual and performing arts, social media, literature, government administration, information technology education, community service, aviation, and as cultural enablers.

Awardees are selected by a committee that evaluates each nomination considering attributes in our published criteria that incorporate originality, scope, impact / influence, integration, pioneering spirit, challenges and achievements. The finalists represent exemplary models of Guyana's cultural mosaic and a fit with our 2016 theme: We Bridgin'

Please accept our formal invitation to attend the award ceremony on Wednesday August 31, 2016 at Borough Hall in Brooklyn, New York. The ceremony begins promptly at 6 pm. We will welcome your presence as our honored guest accompanied by four of your personal invitees. If you cannot attend, kindly designate someone to receive the Award plaque on your behalf.

We look forward to your response. If a telephone response is more convenient, you can also contact our Cultural Director, Claire Goring at telephone number 718.209.5207.

Sincerely,

Ronald H. Lammy
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Chairman, GCA Awards Committee.