

# C'bean Equality Project to be Launched Aug 8

NEW YORK -- On Saturday, August 8, 2015, the Caribbean Equality Project (CEP) will be hosting "UN-VEIL", the launch of CEP to highlight the organization's budding spectrum of programs and services, specifically focusing on the needs of the Caribbean-based Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) community in New York City.

Using a combination of multimedia videos, storytelling and panel discussions, CEP will introduce the public to the profound personal struggles faced by the Caribbean LGBTQ community in New York City, and by extension the Caribbean territories.

To date, the CEP is the only Caribbean educational service agency serving the Caribbean LGBTQ community with a dedicated aim of cultivating a supportive and progressive environment. CEP aims to achieve this goal through empowerment and visibility in educational, social and culturally infused organizing and advocacy.

The organization is founded by Mohamed Q. Amin, Krishna Ramsarran and Andy K. Bishun, all individuals who faced multiple levels of discrimination, misunderstanding, and never-ending obstacles throughout the years. Mr. Amin founded CEP in order to be more impactful educating residents about the unique culture, history and concerns of the Caribbean LGBTQ community in New York City.

Year round, the Caribbean Equality Project aims to provide an authentic safe space for shared experiences, fostering new



From left to right: Krishna Ramsarran, Program Director; Mohamed Q. Amin, Founder and Executive Director; Andy K. Bishun, Community Outreach Coordinator.

relationships by uniting multi-generational sup-

port with a budding spectrum of programs. These programs aim to promote acceptance, reduce stigma and eliminate all forms of discrimination in the LGBTQ Caribbean Diaspora. Including "My TRUTH, My STORY",

the CEP's multimedia storytelling campaign series, which reflects and shares compellingly authentic unspoken stories of LGBTQ people of Caribbean heritage.

These experiences, struggles and achieve-

ments are the driving force behind these storytellers' pride-filled personal growth. "My TRUTH, My STORY" aims to unveil, liberate and unchain victims from a culture of silence and fear.

*"One of our primary outlets, the ongoing video series, will serve as a useful resource to promote networks of support for Caribbean LGBTQ individuals who are struggling with issues inclusive of, but not limited to: coming out, family acceptance, substance abuse, HIV/AIDS, physical and mental health problems, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression. The goal of the Caribbean Equality Project is to create Caribbean communities that understands, welcomes, and supports the identities and experiences of every LGBTQ individual."*

**– Mohamed Q. Amin, Founder/Executive Director**

## About The Caribbean Equality Project, Inc.

The Caribbean Equality Project's mission is to promote social change, awareness, and acceptance by empowering and strengthening the voices of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer people of Caribbean descent in the New York area. We are dedicated to creating a sustainable and progressive community free of violence and all forms of discrimination and oppression by: promoting visibility and empowerment through advocacy, community organizing, public education, cultural and social programming. Our advocacy efforts are directed towards: cultivating community partnerships, greater family acceptance and creating a society based on respect, inclusion and equality, regardless of an individual's sexual orientation or gender identity within the Caribbean Diaspora.

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**THE Caribbean EQUALITY PROJECT**  
 cordially invites you to an afternoon of film, Caribbean Activism, Art and Cultural Performances

# UNVEIL

The Caribbean Equality Project's Launch & Free public Screening of  
**THE ABOMINABLE CRIME**  
WHEN YOUR LOVE IS AGAINST THE LAW

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 2015**  
**QUEENS MUSEUM**  
 New York City Building, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Queens, NY 11368  
 2:30pm to 6:30pm | Free Admission

Suggested donation to help sustain the organization's work

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