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THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES
Department of Creative and Festival Arts
CARNIVAL STUDIES UNIT
presents

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Cocktail Reception
Tuesday November 2nd 2010
Staff Social Club
The University of the West Indies
Agostini Street, St. Augustine
7:00 pm

\$150.00

The Carnival Studies Unit, Department of Creative and Festival Arts, Faculty of Humanities and Education, The University of the West Indies (UWI), will be hosting its 7th annual **Kaiso Dialogues Awards**, on Tuesday November 2nd, 2010 at 7:00 pm at the Staff Social Club, UWI, St. Augustine.

The overall purpose of the event is to laud the work of outstanding artists in the genres of Calypso, Chutney, Soca, Extempo and Rapso. Awardees for 2010 are **Shadow, Ronnie McIntosh** and **Brigo**. Moderators will speak with the artists in an interactive setting, whereby the public will learn about the artists' lives and experiences outside of their stage performances. At the end of the discussion, artists will be awarded for their outstanding contribution to their respective genres by the Department of Creative and Festival Arts, UWI. Previous Kaiso Dialogues awardees include Mr. David Rudder, Bomber, Machel Montano, Karega Mandela, Rikki Jai and many others.

Coordinator of the Carnival Studies Unit, Ms. Jo-anne Tull, noted: "We see ourselves as a bridge between the artist and society. The public gets to learn about the artists' lives and experiences outside of the performing environment. Ms Tull describes the six Kaiso Dialogues awards as memorable and believes that this year's awardees will also contribute to the rich dialogue which will showcase their lives and journeys in the music industry.

The public is invited to this event and can receive further information from the Creative Arts office - Telephone: 663-2222 (direct line) OR 662-2002 ext. 3791/ 3792/ 3793 or Email: Marissa.Brooks@sta.uwi.edu

