

TAHIRA, a full-time performing artist, boldly blurs the lines between singer/songwriter, storyteller and spoken word artist. Her multiple talents enables TAHIRA to deliver a unique performance that includes a heapin' of the moving stories, a fistful of soul-stirring vocals, flavored with rhythmic guitar and sprinkled with drumming for good measure.

TAHIRA is a storyteller, musician, vocalist and songwriter with a Bachelor of Arts from Temple University's School of Communication and Theatre. **TAHIRA** is a Delaware Division of the Arts Established Professional Fellow in Folk Art: Oral Literature. She had the prestigious honor of performing at the international acclaimed festival, PANAFEST, in Ghana, West Africa. In December 2015, **TAHIRA** performed in four cities in Ghana and participated in a scholar panel discussing the legacy of African storytelling at the University of Ghana.

Blending, story and music, her high-energy performance delights listeners of all ages. **TAHIRA** is an advocate of using the arts to bring about social change. "My mission as an artist is to shed light in dark places to reveal the brilliance of the human spirit."

LINKS

Video Samples:

https://youtu.be/EtT-KtgoIXM World Cafe Live @ Queen (Wilmington, DE)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EG4yE5Cy4Zo "In The Tradition . .. " Festival (Chicago, IL)
https://youtu.be/WFnhqqij3vo TEDx Talk (Wilmington, DE)

List of Past Venues:

World Cafe Live @ Queen (Wilmington, DE)
PANAFEST (Ghana, West Africa)
"In The Tradition . . ." Festival & Conference (Chicago, IL; Hampton, VA; Baltimore, MD; Minneapolis, MN)
The Muse (New Castle, DE)

UPCOMING:

Africa to the America: Collaboration with <u>Newark Symphony Orchestra</u> February 11, 2016 7:30 PM

PRESS COVERAGE

Trip to Ghana

http://www.delawareonline.com/story/life/2015/10/30/delaware-storyteller-seeks-ghana-roots/74 870526/

Profile on Newsworks.org

http://www.newsworks.org/index.php/local/the-latest/90791-profile-a-delaware-storyteller

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