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 AND IMAGE**



**G**reetings. As we enter the spirit of Thanks Giving and move towards the Spirit of Just Giving, we are grateful and excited about all the blessings that implies. I look forward to hearing about what's going on where you are, and hope you will contact me at the address below to let me know.

Here are a few activities taking place in the world of arts and culture that I want to let you know about this mid-November to mid-December period ... the 18th Annual AFRICAN DIASPORA INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL takes place November 26 through December 14, 2010 at several locations, including Riverside Theatre at Riverside Church, the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, and The Chapel at Teacher's College, Columbia University. This eclectic mix of urban, classic, independent and foreign films, presented by the husband/wife team of Rodolfo and Diarah N'Dawh Spech, is one of the most well-programmed film festivals in the world. Each year they introduce something new and bring back a few classics. This year's films come from, Brazil, France, Guadeloupe, Panama, South Africa, Zimbabwe and the USA. For a complete schedule visit their website at [www.nyadff.org](http://www.nyadff.org) or call them at (212) 864-1760 ...

Acclaimed Harlem-based visual artist and breast cancer survivor, WILHELMINA OBATOLA GRANT, founder of SISTAAH, Inc., has launched an innovative cancer awareness crusade in Harlem churches. Her Harlem Hand Fan Initiative promotes early detection of breast cancer through the distribution of hand fans that show on the front of the fan, a photo of her artwork, "Many Woman," which carries the Ethiopian proverb, "She who conceals her disease cannot expect to be cured," and on the back side of the fan provides information on where to go for low cost/no cost mammograms. She received a \$4,650 grant from the Susan G. Komen Foundation to mount the hand fan initia-

tive. If you would like more information or receive fans for your church, contact the artist at (212) 926-3517 ...