

## **World Premiere Screening**

***Held in partnership with the United Nations Remember Slavery Programme & Action4Reel***

### **Programme**

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#### **Opening Remarks**

Ms. Cristina Gallach, Under-Secretary-General, Department of Public Information

H. E. Mr. Courtney Rattray, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Jamaica to the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Eden Charles, Chargé d'Affaires a.i., Permanent Mission of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago to the United Nations

Mr. Roy T. Anderson, Writer, Producer and Director

#### **Film Screening (1 hour)**

#### **Panel Discussion and Question & Answer Session**

Ms. Cristina Gallach, Under-Secretary-General, Department of Public Information (Moderator)

Mr. Roy T. Anderson, Writer, Producer and Director

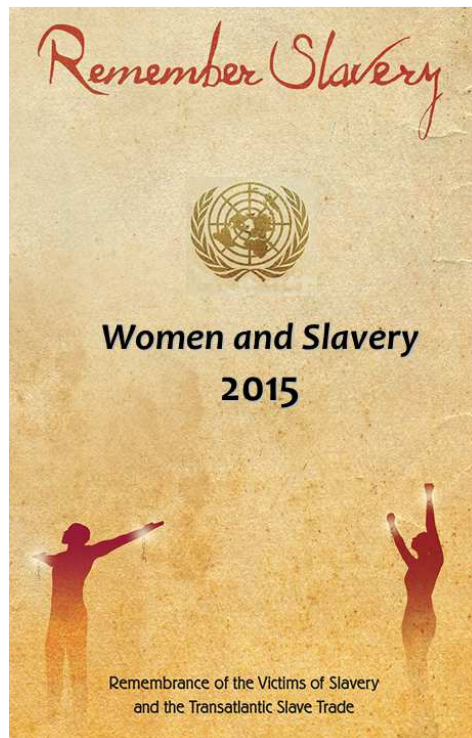
Dr. Harcourt Fuller, Producer and Assistant Professor of History, Georgia State University

Ms. Gloria Simms, Lead Actress

Ms. Gaynel Curry, Gender and Women's Rights Advisor for the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)

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**For over 400 years, more than 15 million men, women and children were the victims of the tragic transatlantic slave trade, one of the darkest chapters in human history.**

Every year on 25 March, the International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade offers the opportunity to honour and remember those who suffered and died at the hands of the brutal slavery system. The International Day also aims at raising awareness about the dangers of racism and prejudice today.

This year's theme, *Women and Slavery*, pays tribute to the many enslaved women who endured unbearable hardships, including sexual exploitation, as well as those who fought for freedom from slavery and advocated for its abolition. The theme also celebrates the strength of enslaved women, many of whom succeeded in transmitting their African culture to their descendants despite the many abuses that they had to endure.

In order to more permanently honour the victims, a memorial was erected at the United Nations Headquarters in New York titled, *The Ark of Return* designed by Rodney Leon, an American architect of Haitian descent. Tours for the public of the Permanent Memorial take place every Wednesday at 10.30 a.m.

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