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CULTURE CAMP kicks-off Virginia Key GrassRoots Festival.

World-class musicians teach intimate workshops- daily yoga, cooking workshops and nightly community dinners & dances included with beachside camping available!

Miami, FL January 25th, 2016 – The 2nd annual Culture Camp serves as an intimate festival kick-off event, hosted in the days leading up to the festival, February 14-17th. (The Virginia Key GrassRoots Festival runs February 18th-21st.) Festival performers will teach small workshops in everything from banjo and scrub-board to African drumming rhythms. Musicians from New York, Louisiana, Tennessee and South Florida will be on-site leading daily classes for Culture Camp attendees.

The multi-disciplinary cultural exploration created at Culture Camp is well illustrated by themed nightly cooking workshops followed by complimentary dances. A Southern Style dinner coupled with a square dance, a Sancocho Latin-American dinner followed by a multi-national Latin American all star band, and finally learn to make Louisiana gumbo with Zydeco legend Keith Frank, followed by a Zydeco dance.

Workshop highlights include “Guitar with Jeb Puryear” of Donna The Buffalo, “Afrobeat Drumset Rhythms” with Andrew Klein of Big Mean Sound Machine a “Songwriting Workshop” with a collection of GrassRoots performers and an “Electric Bass Workshop” with Angelo Peters, also of Big Mean Sound Machine. Daily morning and afternoon yoga workshops will also be available for Culture Camp attendees.

For just **\$25/day** you can attend as many workshops as you can squeeze in, indulge in a fabulous dinner and attend a nightly dance. Camping and registration for workshops begin on Sunday, February 14th at 2pm. Dinner is included in the price of the ticket. Breakfast and lunch will be available for purchase on-site. Camping sold separately.

For the full Culture Camp lineup and schedule, visit –
<http://virginiakeygrassroots.com/culture-camp>

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ABOUT GRASSROOTS

GrassRoots Festival of Music and Dance is a mission-based (501-c3) organization that hosts four music/dance festivals and two sustainability fairs a year in three different states across the east coast. GrassRoots brings multi-cultural communities together through the magic of music, art, dance, education, wellness and sustainability.

*The original **Finger Lakes GrassRoots Festival** began in 1990 as a benefit concert to support a local AIDS organization in Ithaca, NY. The Finger Lakes GrassRoots Festival has become an internationally recognized event with a focus on traditional and contemporary roots music and dance from all over the world.*

*Twelve years later, the **Shakori Hills GrassRoots Festival** was launched on a 75-acre farm in rural North Carolina near the triangle cities of Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill.*

*The festival is down south for the winter once again, having found an amazing site, the **Historic Virginia Key Beach Park**, just off the coast of Miami, FL. It's the ideal spot for the fifth annual **Virginia Key GrassRoots Festival**.*

GrassRoots works to nurture local artists and talent while reaching around the globe to bring world music and culture to new audiences, creating environments that inspire creativity and foster community building. The impact of GrassRoots expands far beyond that which occurs during these four-day festivals. For over 25 years, GrassRoots has served to both engage and give back to the local and regional communities in which we exist by providing financial and organizational support to impact positive change.

For more information, navigate to virginiakeygrassroots.com call 786.810.7112

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