

REMEMBER! I AM ONLY ASKING?  
IS NAKEDNESS A STATE OF “BEING”?

Who is setting the stage of preserving the art of masquerading and nurturing young minds? Who!

On many occasions the “I” was told and heard utterances that “Carnival (carne-vale)” in Trinidad and Tobago has been reduced to feather, bead, and panty – no creativity – just recycling “masks and costumes” but when a transformative, indigenous, authentic, iconic, artistic genius Masquerader uttered similar sentiments the “I” reflectively was compelled to pen a few ideas for the stimulation of thought, while removing “ritual masks” – a decaying of self/freedom from self – spiritual awakening –

Electromagnetism! Oh! Possibilities – no onslaught! Emancipation of self! Hence the Question – Is nakedness a State of “Being”? Spiritual Consciousness! Who defines “the Carnival” – is it ontological – is it energy – is it invisibility – is it pure – is it innateness – is it elusive – is it vibratory – is it natural/mystical – is it light/dark – is it a state of mind – is it that the Gods are emerging – is it non-linearity – is it divine drama – is it mediocrity – is it transparent – is it truth/half-truth -

Some say no tragic flaws, but spiritual attunement! Let all the protagonists get with it: art is the body and the body is art – body markings – body designs – body piercings – body contours – body contorts: the Pyramid of “being” intergalactic – attunement! Oh! Tahitian/Tahiti – Afrikan! Culture purifies the mind – the “Being”! Turn Back and look – wisdom eradicates fear – everything moves – vibrate – elucidate/illuminate - it is Afrikan – it is introspection – It is Kemite – It is Jouvert – it is “bacchanal” – it is spirited “non-linearity”!

Eye opener... It is literary – high extraordinary...prodigious, artisanship, clamorous, exquisite, intense, stately – splendid, visual, gallant... spirited...Yes spirited! Afrikan incarnate...Ah we thing! It is universal elucidate/illuminate – mystical! It is highly therapeutic – no mumbo jumbo!

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Reactivate the “Sun” Within!

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