

ILERA and the Yeye Osun of Baltimore Ifadoyin Aduke presents:

**Together We Heal – A sexual abuse education workshop for
Orisa/Voudoun/Akan/Kemetic/Lucumi & other Indigenous spiritual communities**



In this interactive introductory workshop we will discuss:

- The ancestral call to address and prevent sexual abuse
- How sexual abuse impacts survivors and families
- Components of healthy, safe, non-abusive spiritual communities

When: Saturday, October 21st, 2pm to 4pm

Where: The Living Well, 235 Holliday Street, 2nd Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202

Cost: \$20 per person – **pay cash at the door**

Register: RSVP by emailing **Iyanifa Ifadoyin** at lataviadoyinjones@gmail.com or call **(443) 248-1583**



Our facilitator **Iyanifa Rev. DeShannon Barnes-Bowens**, is the founder of ILERA and works as a psychotherapist, professional development trainer and spiritual counselor. Through ILERA, she implements workshops and programs focusing on: sexuality & spirituality, sexual abuse, vicarious trauma & wellness. She received a Bachelor's degree in Psychology from the University of Missouri – St. Louis and a Master's degree in Counseling from Pace University. DeShannon is also an initiated priestess in the Orisa-Ifa spiritual tradition and an ordained Interfaith Minister. She is the author of [Hush Hush: An African American Family Breaks Their Silence on Sexuality & Sexual Abuse](#) (2007, 2015) and a member of CONNECT Faith's Ending Child Sexual Abuse Collaborative. DeShannon coordinated their Safe Faith Community Project and trained New York City religious communities in sexual abuse prevention.

