

OUR PATH TO **ADULTHOOD**

Connecting our kids to their cultural heritage



DJILOR 2010

A special cultural enrichment program for children of the African Diaspora

JUNE 23-JULY 22, 2010

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Preamble

In much of Africa, the early education of a child usually takes place in the closest family circle. The passage to adulthood involves the larger community from which a child learns much of the language and culture. Away from the Continent, many of our children rarely have opportunities to become fully acquainted with their cultural heritage. The PATH cultural immersion program for children of the African Diaspora will provide them with the chance to learn languages and cultures of Senegal.

PATH Program Description

This special cultural immersion program seeks to offer children (8 -16 years old) of the African Diaspora a unique occasion to learn languages, cultures and the history of Senegal from a group of dedicated educators in an engaging yet relaxing and fun environment.



Components of the program

The PATH program will consist of:

- Language classes (Wolof, Sérère and Mandingue)
- Cultural events (songs, dances, folktales, photography, kora, riti, balafon,...)
- Readings about the ancient and recent history of Sénégal and Africa

Dates

The PATH program will take place from June 23 to July 22, 2010

Location

The program will take place mainly in Djilor (Sine). The first 2 days will be spent in Dakar to welcome, brief and orient participants.

Preliminary Itinerary

June 22: Departure from the US

June 23: Arrival in Dakar

June 23-25: Dakar Visits (Briefing & Orientation)

June 25: Transfer to Djilor

June 25-July 17: Djilor Activities & Visits (Songs, folktales, music, Senghor Museum...)

July 17-July 20: Field trips to Joal & vicinity

July 21: Transfer to Dakar

July 23: Departure for the US (or release to local family)

N.B.: A complete itinerary will be provided upon registration



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