## "PAWÒL CHOUCHOUN" WILL OPEN THE INAUGURAL HAITI EN FOLIE FESTIVAL NYC

## Saturday, Oct. 22, 2016 - 7PM

Brooklyn College Center for the Performing Arts - Whitman Theatre

Hosted by iconic actors/filmmakers FABIENNE COLAS & RÉGINALD LUBIN

"Probably the most important piece of political theater of the last decade."

- Charles Isherwood, The New York Times

After a phenomenal success in Haiti en Folie Festival Montreal in 2009, 2011 & 2016, the hottest and most Caribbean version of Eve Ensler's Obi award-winning play "The Vagina Monologues" (Haitian Version: PAWÒL CHOUCHOUN - 60% French / 40% Creole) will open the first edition of the Haiti en Folie Festival NYC (Brooklyn College Center for the Performing Arts - Whitman Theatre - 2900 Campus Rd, Brooklyn NY) - organized by the Fabienne Colas Foundation. Original texts: Eve Ensler - Direction/adaptation: Florence Jean-Louis Dupuy. Starring: Cynthia Jean-Louis, Fabienne Colimon, Florence Jean-Louis Dupuy, Ange Belie Andou.

Regular: \$40 in advance (50\$ @ door) | \*VIP package: \$75 | TICKETS/DETAILS: www.haitienfolie.com/newyorkcity

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6PM - 6:30PM: Meet & Greet + Photo with Reginald Lubin & Fabienne Colas

2 Autographed 11x17 inches posters (Fabienne & Reginald) + Priority seating (no line-up)

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**ABOUT PAWOL CHOUCHOUN:** Based on interviews with over 200 women about their memories and experiences of sexuality, The Vagina Monologues (PAWOL CHOUCHOUN) is made up of a number of monologues performed by a varying number of women. Each of the monologues deals with an aspect of the feminine experience, touching on matters such as sex, love, female genital mutilation, rape, orgasm, menstruation, masturbation, birth, the various common names for the vagina, or simply as a physical aspect of the body. A recurring theme throughout the piece is the vagina as a tool of female empowerment, and the ultimate embodiment of individuality.

**HAITI EN FOLIE FESTIVAL NYC - OCTOBER 22** & **23, 2016!** After 10 successful years in **Montreal**, Quebec (Canada), The **Fabienne Colas Foundation** is thrilled to bring the very popular **Haiti en Folie Festival** to **New York City**, NY (USA) - on **October 22 & 23, 2016**. Join us during 2 days in Brooklyn for an unprecedented celebration of Haitian culture through Comedy, Theatre, Literature and more. See more of Haiti en Folie Festival NYC program <u>HERE!</u>

HISTORY OF HAITI EN FOLIE FESTIVAL: The Haïti en Folie Festival (Haiti on Fire Festival), created by the Fabienne Colas Foundation, is held in Montreal each summer, and has been attracting thousands of visitors from around the world since its inception in 2007: visitors of all ages and backgrounds who want to attend the largest multidisciplinary event outside of Haiti dedicated entirely to Haitian culture. Haiti en Folie Montreal Festival has welcomed, with the collaboration of its partners, renown artists from legendary Manno Charlemagne (Singer and former mayor of Port-au-Prince) to Wyclef Jean (Fugees – Grammy award winner), From Dany Laferrière (Author and member of French Academy) to Boukman Eksperyans (Grammy Award nominee) and many more... The Festival showcases Haitian Music, Dance, Cinema, Theatre, Literature, Food, Comedy and Visual arts.