

Professor Nettleford's Honours and Awards include:

Thelma Hill Dance Award (1981)

Joint Trade Unions Research Development Centre Award (1983)

Gold Musgrave Medal Award (1981)

Order of Merit for his internationally acclaimed artistic and scholarly work.

The Professor has been Director of the Extra Mural Department of the University of the West Indies in Jamaica for many years as well as Director of the University's Trade Union Institute. He was Cultural Advisor to the Prime Minister 1972-1980 and led many Cultural Missions from Jamaica to Canada, U.S., U.S.S.R., Australia, Mexico, Cuba, West Germany and the Commonwealth Caribbean. He is a founding Governor of the Canada-based International Development Research Centre, and chairman of the Commonwealth Arts Organization. He has worked as Consultant to UNESCO, OAS and many governments in the Caribbean and West Africa.

Professor Rex Nettleford is one of the Caribbean's most respected intellectuals, social commentators and cultural leaders.

He was born in Falmouth, Trelawny in February 1933 and educated at Unity Government School, Montego Bay Boys School, Cornwall College, University of the West Indies and Oxford University (Issa Scholar 1956; Rhodes Scholar 1957).