

Musau Dibinga

Musau Dibinga is the Executive Director of the **OrigiNation Cultural Arts Center**, a 501(c)3 non-profit performing arts organization based in Boston. She oversees the financial infrastructure, fundraising and development, strategic planning, and board of directors' operations. She also manages its Professional Dance Division's domestic and international tours.

Founded in 1994 by Ms. Dibinga and her sisters, OrigiNation provides high quality dance, theater arts, and African history education to youth ages 2-18. It also uses the arts as a vehicle through which to teach our youth the importance of self-respect, health, nutrition, education, self-esteem, and the extent of African influences on various contemporary art forms. Although programs are open to all youth who meet the age requirements, OrigiNation focuses its efforts on serving youth who live in Boston's under-served neighborhoods of Roxbury, Dorchester, and Mattapan. Today the organization serves over 3,000 youth domestically and internationally through our on-site programs, lecture demonstrations, performances and special workshops.

Ms. Dibinga has over 20 years of experience working in the financial industry and over 35 years of dance training, instruction, management and performance experience. Some of her past accomplishments include: a profile in *Exhale Lifestyle Magazine for Women* and Boston University's *Manager Magazine*; received the Roxbury Community College Gateway Award and the State Street Bank William S. Edgerly Award for Community Service; a feature in State Street Global Advisors' *People at SSgA*, corporate video and is a graduate of The Partnership. She received her B.A. in Economics and International Relations from the University of Pennsylvania and her MBA in Non-profit Management and Finance from Boston University.

Ms. Dibinga was initiated into Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.'s Gamma Epsilon Philadelphia City Chapter and is a charter member of Psi lota Omega Chapter. She currently serves as the Chair of the Arts Committee and treasurer of the chapter's Pearls of Distinction Foundation, Inc.