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Raising Children to Carry On Wagogo Culture

In Chamwino, Tanzania, there is a community-led organization of Wagogo villagers, including farmers, cow-herders, and shop-keepers, who hope to raise their children to know and carry on Wagogo culture. Dr. Kedmon Mapana, now Executive Secretary of the National Arts Council of Tanzania, established the Chamwino Arts Center (CAC) 15 years ago to ensure that, despite the presence of cultural influences from Europe, North America, South Africa, and elsewhere, Wagogo heritage will



continue to be taught, learned, and lived. Chamwino Connect is an NGO (non-governmental organization), or 501c3, that raises funds to support the sustainability of Wagogo (and Tanzanian) traditional culture. Thank you SO much! [DONATE HERE.](#)

The Giving Season

We've arrived to "the Giving Season"! All funding for [Chamwino Arts Center](#) activities comes from donations via [Chamwino Connect](#). Won't you please help the villagers to carry on their music, dance, storytelling, language, and folklore traditions?

\$50 pays for classes for Wagogo children to learn their traditional music and dance.

\$60 buys transportation of remote Wagogo village performers to the festival to perform.

\$100 funds a recording session of folktales told by Wagogo storytelling elders.

\$400 supplies stage and audio equipment for the annual Cigogo festival.

\$1500 pays for the annual salary of the Wagogo villager who coordinates the festival.



December Fund-Raising Event

Please join us at a fund-raising event with ***Kedmon Mapana*** and ***Pendo Mapana*** at the home of Cindy and Doug Strong, Thursday, December 28, at 7:00-8:30PM-Pacific. Come in person to 3614 12th Avenue West, Seattle 98119, or by Zoom

<https://spu.zoom.us/my/clstrong> at 8:00PM-Pacific to hear Kedmon's mlimba music and latest report on the village of Chamwino. Let Cindy Strong know you're coming: Gnortsd@gmail.com, or cell 301-467-5970).

2024 Cigogo Festival

Are you interested in attending the 2024 Cigogo Festival in Chamwino, Tanzania, July 19-21? While there, will you want also to visit the Serengeti, Kilimanjaro, Zanzibar?

We're here to help you plan your travel to Chamwino and



elsewhere in Tanzania, so please be in touch for details: Patricia Shehan Campbell, pcamp@uw.edu, or cell 206-718-7941, Chair of the Chamwino Connect board. Realize a bucket-list dream: Tanzania in 2024!

[Listen to Nyati Muchoya - 'Muziki'](#)



Barbara Lundquist Memorial Fund

Dr. Barbara Reeder Lundquist (1934-2023) so loved the music and people of Chamwino, Tanzania, and supported their Cigogo Festival (and other projects) annually. You can carry on her charity-giving to the Tanzanians by donating in her name to the newly-created Barbara Lundquist Memorial Fund. [DONATE HERE](#)



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