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## GARÜDIA

**GARIFUNA TRILINGUAL DICTIONARY  
(Diccionario Garifuna Trilingüe)**

**GARIFUNA ENGLISH SPANISH**

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## A three segment Dictionary: Garifuna-English-Spanish English-Garifuna-Spanish Spanish-Garifuna-English

About the Author RUBEN REYES is an entrepreneur in Los Angeles, California, born in the city of Tela, Atlantida, Honduras. At the age of 9 his parents relocated to the Garifuna community of El Triunfo de La Cruz. Ruben later developed interest in learning the Garifuna language and culture. He then became a Garifuna activist. Ruben Reyes was born with a natural ability to draw. He won several drawing and painting contests, in college and in the military. 1981 Graduated as public accountant in Colegio El Triunfo de la Cruz, in Tela, Honduras. 1984-1985 Founded Clamor Garifuna Lamumehan Garifuna Radio program in Radio Impacto, Tela, Honduras bringing the Garifuna language to the air for the first time in the region. Became the first president of OFRANEH (Fraternal Organization of Blacks in Honduras) branch of Triunfo de la Cruz. 1992 Translated the Honduras National Anthem into the Garifuna language. Was elected president of SONHOCA (Society of Black Honduran in California). He was a pupil of Dr. Jorge Bernardez and became very fluent and knowledgeable in Garifuna. Hes been working of a trilingual dictionary for over 20 years. Translated the Guatemalan National anthem into the Garifuna language. He also designed a Garifuna Flag Emblem. He also produced and published the First Garifuna Ancestry Tree which included over 4000 people from Honduras, Guatemala, Belize, and the United States. He is also a Certified trilingual (Garifuna, English and Spanish) interpreter to immigration court in Los Angeles County. Ruben also invented his own version of the Garifuna Clock, based on research on ancestral use. GAHFUs Garifuna Language and History class presentation in Cal State Northridge, Cal State Los Angeles, and South West College. In 2009, he translated the US National Anthem into Garifuna. Mr Reyes was invited as special guest, to speak at Dartmouth College in New Hampshire at the 15th Annual Noche Dorada, celebrating indigenous Culture and people of America. Mr. Reyes through his plumbing company Cal Plumbing has employed and trained over 15 Garinagu in Southern California. He teaches the Garifuna Culture Language Class in Los Angeles as a joint venture with GAHFU and The Blazer Learning Center. He also hosts The Ssamu Show, an online television interview show on GariTV.com, and co-produced and co-directed the feature film Garifuna in Peril with Ali Allie.