

CDI 2011 DOCUMENTARY SERIES: **THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF RURAL WOMEN**

October 13, 2011

In Haiti, women are known as "*poto mitan*" or the 'pillars of society.' They play a pivotal role in the family and community, participating in agricultural labor and performing most household work (along with girls of the family), including cooking over charcoal fires, washing clothes by hand, and transporting water for drinking and bathing. In many households women are the primary breadwinners. They work as market vendors, small business owners, in factories or as domestic laborers in other households. In addition, many Haitian women are single heads of the household, raising their children alone and going to great lengths to give them a better life. - *Lambi Fund for Haiti*



"Women themselves have the right to live in dignity, in freedom from want and freedom from fear. On this International Women's Day, let us rededicate ourselves to making that a reality."

Kofi Annan

In honor of the UN International Day of Rural Women, join CDI, Dwa Fanm and special guests Gill Fickling, producer of "*Haiti: The Enemy Within*" - Ms. Mary Ferreira, producer of "*Rape in Haiti - Justice at a Crossroad*" and Renee Bergan, co-producer of "*Poto Mitan*" for a reception, a screening of their films and a Q&A session and discussion in regards to this fundamental historic and contemporary issue affecting the developing world.

Featured Films:

Haiti: The Enemy Within* - *Rape in Haiti - Justice at a Crossroad* - *Poto Mitan

Date: Thursday October 13th, 2011
6:30pm: Reception with refreshments
6:45pm: Start of screenings (Discussion and Q&A to follow)
9:00pm: Event end

Location: Millennium Film Workshop - 66 East 4th Street, New York, NY

Please RSVP to: info@cd-international.org

Admission: \$10 (donations also welcomed)

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