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Mih Buddybo Mac

Volume 1

Reminiscences, Public Service Life, Guyana
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Wordsworth McAndrew

Roy Brummell writes: My 'Buddybo Mac' (Brother Mac) as I called him, became Guyana's legendary 'Mr. Folklore' by selflessly dedicating more than half his life to collecting folklore and imparting folk knowledge to Guyanese, through radio and other means. Certainly, there were others before him who played their part in preserving Guyana's folklore, but no one raised folklore to national consciousness in Guyana as much as Mac did. My Buddybo was to Guyana what Louise Bennett was to Jamaica.

Mac was my good friend whose passionate folklore work I admired. Before Mac left Guyana, he gave me some proverbs, among which is: "Maan dead grass grow a' he do". My Buddybo's altruism would not allow him to ask for this book, but he richly deserves it so that the grass does not grow "a' he do".

Volume I of *Mih Buddybo Mac* is dedicated mainly to reminiscences and Mac's GBS radio life, whilst **Volume II** will contain his writings and poems. The hope is that everything in the two volumes will help readers see a more complex Wordsworth McAndrew than just the writer of the classic poem, 'Ol' Higue', or the radio presenter of shows such as 'Mac's Magazine', 'Creole Meche Meche', 'Focus on Folk' and 'What Else?'

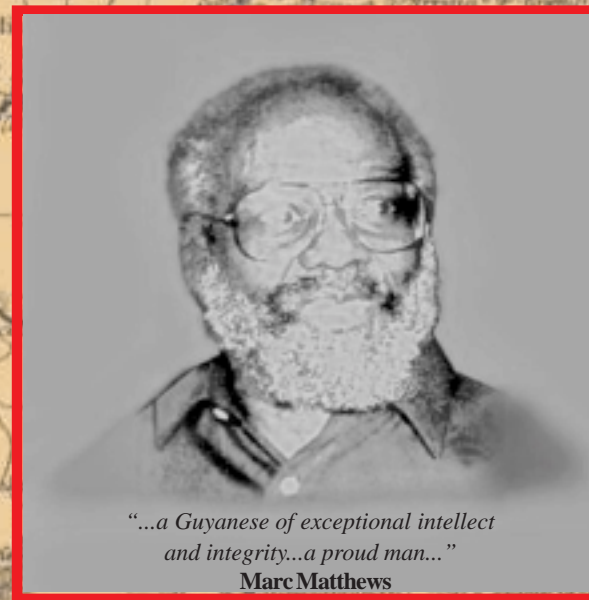


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