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Re: Tribute to Verlon Bourn, Top Bay Area Reggae Guitarist

Please come celebrate Verlon Bourn's life, talent and spirit with us at Ashkenaz Community Center on THURSDAY, MAY 16 at 8PM (<http://www.ashkenaz.com> for maps and directions).

Live music will be provided by Junglz Apart, Creation Band, and more TBA.

The Bay Area music community suffered a loss yesterday when it was discovered that guitarist Verlon "Jah Buddha" Bourn was abruptly shot and killed in his house. Bourn was an upstanding member of the community and his friends and family are left with many unanswered questions. He is survived by his daughter and his loving family.

Born and raised in Mississippi, Bourn moved to the Bay Area in 1991. He played for all of the local bands, including Della Grant and the Pacesetters, Rankin Scroo and Ginger, Ras Kidus, King Caleb, Obeyjah, Pan Exstacy, Live Wire, Born in the Hills, The Reggae Angels, Creation, Lick Shot, Junglz Apart, and Tropical Vibrations.

Ashkenaz Community Center is located at 1317 San Pablo Ave (at Gilman) in Berkeley, CA. For over 25 years, it has been dedicated to preserving and celebrating music and dance traditions from around the world.

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