

The Conjure

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QUICK HISTORY ON WEST AFRICAN/HAITIAN VODOU & THE LWA

Vodou is an African-based tradition of Haiti. It can be traced to the first Africans brought to Haiti in the sixteenth century. West Africans brought with them this belief and spiritual practice, including a belief in a supreme deity or divine power. In Haiti that deity is known as le Bon Dieu (the Good God). A God that is withdrawn from human affairs, but under him were a number of greater and lesser deities called the LWA/LOA (pronounced "La-wah"). Besides the tradition of honoring these deities, there is, of course, the element of magic in Vodou. But it operates quite differently than outsiders (mostly western society and media) have usually presented it. Once one, trust and calls on the LWA spirits, they are blessed with divine favor and the spiritual assistance to face any dilemma. The very name Vodou translates to the word spirit. It is a beautiful and very serious practice, to be used with patience and respect for its origin. Not to be appropriated, misunderstood or condemned to be only evil. It can be life changing and a beautiful experience to those blessed by it. Enjoy and embrace this new conjure collection from The Conjure by Lala Inuti Ahari.

Erzulie Dantor

Erzulie Dantor is a proud mother of war and justice. She is a LWA spirit that belongs to the petro (P-twah) nation. This nation of LWA is usually known for their violent and untamable nature, are fierce, powerful and very serious protectors and always ready for a battle. Erzulie Dantor is the LWA spirit invoked in the Haitian revolution of 1804 and is said to be the cause of the victory and Haiti's independence. She is a fierce fighter and protector of women and children. She can be conjured by all women but favors lesbians. She will fight your battles against men (and women). I warn you to be very careful, and honest when you conjure Erzulie, she doesn't like bullshit.

*****IMPORTANT***** Do not use both Erzulie candles (or any LWA candles) together. The two Erzulies are arch enemies and cannot even be present in the same room. When lighting either one make sure the other is not present and not mentioned. Like always, I recommend becoming devoted to the LWA but in this case it will need to be one or the other. The LWA become very protective over their devotees (especially Erzulie LWA) so make sure you are certain when choosing one. I do not recommend devotion to both Erzulies.



Erzulie Dantor

Suggested/Optional Offerings

- Colors Blue, Red
- Cigarettes
- Florida Water (included)
- 2 Daggers – (highly recommended)
- Water
- Rum
- Black beans
- Dry Red Wine
- Sacrificed Black pig (not required)
- Black Coffee
- Incense (included in your bag)

Instructions

You will need:

- ✓ A safe CLEAN place to burn candles for a long period of time.
- ✓ Lighter
- ✓ Clean glass of water
- ✓ Incense burner or safe burner for charcoal
- ✓ Extra candles corresponding with your spirits color (optional)
- ✓ The offering (optional but recommended)
- ✓ Make sure your placement is on a CLEAN secluded space, away from other photos and items. The space should be separate from all other altars and spiritual work.

Petition –

1. Write your petition, make it detailed and brief (no unrealistic terms). You will write down what you are asking for. Paper does not make a difference, so use what you have. You can place the petition under the candle. It is always good to speak something to the spirits also.
2. Light the Charcoal tablet and place it in an incense burner or fire safe tin or metal plate. It will have small sparks and get extremely hot very fast. Use tongs and safety pre-caution when needed.
3. Place the frankincense resin on top of the charcoal tab you lit. You only need a couple chunks at a time. It will begin to smoke in a few seconds. Note: You will keep the incense burning throughout your conjure (while you speak your petition).
4. Place your water and other offerings around the candle.
5. Light your candle. Speaking your petition is optional. If you decide to do so, call on Erzulie Dantor by saying "I invoke the LWA (pronounced "La-Wah) spirit of Erzulie Dantor to ___ (speak your request)___".
6. There is no dismissal other than saying thank you. Try to keep the candle burning as long as possible, or at least 6 hours.
7. Discarding the candle once it is complete is not necessary. I recommend cleaning and keeping the glass container, this is ok since it carries the veve (symbol) it can be used to keep an altar for her. If you do choose to discard it, safely bury it. Keep the larger offering for later use. Smaller offerings can be placed in the glass jar and placed at a crossroads (safely) or buried with personal items or other jars if used.

NOTE: Intervention is not always allowed. Erzulie Dantor can grant your petition, and she can also deny it. An indication that your request was not granted is a flame that dies or will not stay lit. Evaluate your request and the way you have her altar before trying again. There could be something wrong with your setup and/or what you are petitioning. A bright high long burning flame is an indication that she has favored your offering and request.

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