I have had time to experience the difference it makes for women of color to control a significant means of communication, to have a vehicle for shaping ideology which serves as a foundation for making practical social and political change." Barbara Smith,

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## Aché Aché Aché

Aché is a project for lesbians of African descent founded by two black lesbians in 1989. Aché's goals are:

- To document black lesbian herstory & culture throughout the diaspora.
- To help further develop the artistic, political, & economic resources in our communities.
- To provide forums where issues impacting our communities are openly addressed and analyzed.
- To create local, national & international networks for lesbians and gays of color.
- To celebrate ourselves, our communities & our achievements.

## Aché's goals are achieved through 2 means:

- A bi-monthly publication, Aché: A Journal For Lesbians of African Descent which explores and celebrates the many facets of our lives while providing a place where artists and writers can develop & display their skills.
- Cultural, political & social events which showcase the varied talents in our communities while providing places to come together and share, heal, & celebrate.

Through our empowerment we seek to strengthen the bonds between our sisters & brothers around the world.



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