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Biography

Funlayo Dùnmádè has been an Ologun (priest of Ogún) since 2015 and an Iyanifa since 2021. Her childhood in the cosmopolitan island nation of Trinidad and Tobago and her early interest in anthropology exposed her to many different cultures and worldviews. A thirst for knowledge led Iyanifa Funlayo to develop diverse interests and specializations ranging from comparative religion to psychology to vibrational healing.

She is the Dean of Communications for The Ifa College and spends her days polishing other people's words until they shine. As an experienced freelance and career editor (26 years of experience), she believes that each communication is unique and deserves nuanced, considerate, and efficient editing.

Iyanifa Funlayo also currently facilitates the Ifa Foundation's Prayer Circle. Her focus is on empowering Ifa and Orisa devotees to deepen their connection to the universe, while following their personal life path with integrity and iwa pele. She is a practicing herbalist, in the process of deepening her knowledge of, and connection to, the plant world. Aromatherapy, in particular, fascinates her. As a lifelong hobbyist, she has gained expertise in gardening, crafting (particularly needlecraft), jewelry making, soapmaking, and the culinary arts.