



Alliance Française
Dar Es Salaam



**CULTURAL : APRIL
PROGRAM : 2026**

APRIL 2026

RECAP

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Le jardin
7:30pm
Free Entrance

JUMATANO GROOVE #171
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DJ Dagrey (TZ) : Dancehall

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HADITHI HADITHI
An evening of oral storytelling

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BASATA RISING STAR AWARD
Celebrating Tanzania's next rising star
live on stage.

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Play, connect, and have fun !

JUMATANO GROOVE, NEW TIMES

To continue supporting artists, introducing you to a wide range of talent, and keeping the dancing and singing going – while respecting our neighbours' peace and quiet, new times have been introduced for Jumatano events.

Performances will start at 8 pm and finish at 10 pm.

The evening will continue in relaxed atmosphere of the garden and around the bar with background music, for a nightcap...

The Alliance will close its doors at 11 pm.

APÉRO

To get the evening off to a good start, the team at the 'Déjà vu' bar-restaurant will be selling tapas, meals and cocktails from 7:00pm, accompanied by music. Please keep an eye on our social media for any updates on activities leading up to the Jumatano Groove concert.

These measures demonstrate our commitment to striking the right balance between cultural activities and respect for our neighbours.

Together, let's continue to support artists and creativity!



WED 1ST
MUSIC

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7:30pm
Free Entrance

JUMATANO GROOVE #171
JAMROCK NIGHT

Ras Gwandumi (TZ) : Roots & Reggae
DJ Dagrey (TZ) : Dancehall

For this edition, we welcome Ras Gwandumi, a passionate Tanzanian artist trained at Bagamoyo College of Arts (TASUBA), known for his reggae-inspired performances rooted in African traditions. He is joined by DJ Dagrey, an emerging talent who has quickly made her mark with vibrant Afro and eclectic sets, performing at events like Softlife Afrika. This night she brings you dancehall tunes. Get ready to get your dance on.
Dress code : Jamaican vibes !



DECISION

TUE 7TH
CINEMA

Goethe-Institut
Alykhan Road No. 63
6:30pm
Free Entrance

MUVI KALI #142
"Decision"(2022) by Jackson Kabiligi (TZ)

When a surrogate mother, Nina wanted both the husband and the baby for her own. Dr Ruby was not prepared to let her excitement cut short and in the process she was ready to do whatever it takes to make it work her way.





CHUMA

STRENGTH, BEAUTY, REBIRTH

MAKEKE INTERNATIONAL X RICHARD ZITTIN



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CHUMA: STRENGTH, BEAUTY, REBIRTH

An exhibition by Jocktan Makeke (TZ) & Richard Zitting (FI)

Get ready for a powerful celebration of transformation — where industry meets imagination, and metal becomes meaning.

From ore to form, from old to gold, CHUMA explores iron as both material and symbol of strength, resilience, and renewal. Through bold fashion pieces made from recycled metal, sculptural works, and immersive performances, the exhibition reimagines chuma as a reflection of Tanzanian creativity.

Bringing together two artistic visions, it creates a dialogue between cultures and craftsmanship.

Jocktan Makeke, founder of Makeke International, is known for his theatrical Afro-inspired designs blending fantasy and Afro-futurism.

Richard Zitting, a Finnish goldsmith, reinterprets classical jewellery techniques through contemporary, three-dimensional works.

More than an exhibition, it celebrates sustainability, beauty, and rebirth through art.



A man with long, dark dreadlocks is shown in profile, looking upwards and singing into a microphone. He is wearing a light-colored shirt with a patterned collar. The background is dark and textured, possibly a stage set. A green semi-transparent banner is overlaid on the image, containing text.

AFROVALENTINE (TZ)

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JUMATANO GROOVE #172
Afrovalentine (TZ) : Contemporary African Sounds

Le jardin
7:30pm
Free Entrance

Afrovalentine is part of a new generation of Tanzanian artists redefining traditional music.

Inspired by his great grandfather, a renowned Ngoma player from Ukerewe Island, he carries forward a rich musical heritage while shaping his own unique sound.

Through a blend of traditional rhythms, percussion, and contemporary influences, Afrovalentine creates an immersive musical experience rooted in culture and storytelling.

Singing in multiple languages, his performances reflect both identity and evolution.

Expect a soulful and vibrant live performance celebrating Tanzanian roots and creativity

HADITHI HADITHI

A NIGHT OF FOLK STORYTELLING

THU 9TH
LITERATURE

Le jardin
7:30pm
Free Entrance

KALAM SALAAM #22
HADITHI HADITHI...

After a short period of silence, Kalam Salaam brings you a night of intimate traditional folklore, storytelling and lessons where the audience will take part by telling stories and listening to others, contributing and asking questions after each narration. There are only 5 slots available for those who want to participate as storytellers, on a first-come, first-served basis. After that, there will be an open mic session and other entertainment.



BARAZA LA SANAA LA TAIFA
BASATA



BASATA
RISING STAR
AWARD



WED 15TH
MUSIC

BASATA RISING STAR AWARD

Le jardin
7:30pm

Free Entrance

After weeks of intense competition, 115 song submissions, and a rigorous selection process led by professional industry judges alongside the dedicated BASATA music team, the moment has finally arrived.

In collaboration with the National Arts Council (BASATA) and Alliance Française Dar es Salaam, we are proud to present the winner of the BASATA Rising Star Award — an emerging talent ready to step into the spotlight.

As part of Jumatano Groove, the BASATA Rising Star Award features an electrifying 30-minute live performance by the winning artist, selected through a combination of public votes and expert evaluation as one of the most promising new voices in Tanzania's music scene.



THE ZAWOSE QUEENS

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WED 15TH
MUSIC

JUMATANO GROOVE #173
Zawose Queens 🗣️ Traditional Afro-fusion (TZ)

Le jardin
7:30pm
Free Entrance

Experience a captivating night of hypnotic rhythms and soulful harmonies with The Zawose Queens – traditional Afro-fusion (TZ). Hailing from Bagamoyo, the duo led by Pendo and Leah Zawose carries forward one of Tanzania’s most iconic musical legacies. Blending the ancestral sounds of the Wagogo tradition with contemporary influences, they combine traditional instruments with powerful vocals and subtle electronic touches.

This event is in collaboration with the Spanish Embassy in Dar es Salaam. Through their female led initiative, the Spanish Embassy supports Jumatano Groove and other artistic platforms through a monthly collaboration that highlights female artists. By creating space and opportunities for women to perform on these platforms, the Embassy actively contributes to empowering female artists and amplifying their visibility within the creative scene.





FRI 17TH
DANCE

Le jardin
7:30pm
Free Entrance

GIRLS POWER DANCE NIGHT
Voices of Resistance, Women of Strength

Also part of the female artist led initiative, with the support of the Spanish Embassy in Dar es Salaam, we welcome you to a powerful evening of dance-theatre celebrating resilience and the strength of women through two compelling performances. Inspired by Sarafina!, the first piece reimagines the story of a young woman standing against oppression in a Tanzanian context. Ushawishi ("Influence") explores the pressures and stereotypes shaping women's lives, highlighting their resistance, empowerment, and inner strength.



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#CreationAfricaTz

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SAT 18TH
MULTIDISCIPLINARY

Nafasi Art Space
3:00pm to 11:00pm
Free Entrance

CREATION AFRICA FESTIVAL

Bringing together art and community

Alliance Française Dar Es Salaam in partnership with Nafasi Art Space bring you the Creation Africa Festival. For this second edition, we are excited to showcase different works from different creatives.

Like last year, we aim to bring together the creative community for an exciting, joyful, and festive day. This year, we are also placing a stronger focus on inviting international stakeholders and donors, while continuing to serve as a platform that fosters meaningful connections and collaborations among our partners.

From literature to visual arts, to music performances this event brings together the creatives with the community under one umbrella that is Creation Africa Festival!





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MUVI KALI #142
"Dancing Pina" by Florian Heinzen-Ziob (DE)

In Dakar and Dresden, Pina Bausch's "Le Sacre du Printemps" and "Iphigenie auf Tauris" undergo a restaging. The film follows the rehearsals, offering insights into the challenges and inspirations that still resonate in both works today. The result is a documentary full of passion for dance and for a



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JUMATANO GROOVE #174
GOLDEN HITS NIGHT
DJ Baffy (TZ) 🎵 Classic Hits

SPS Events and Alliance Française Dar es Salaam present Golden Hits Night, a vibrant celebration of the greatest hits from the 60s, 70s, and 80s. Bringing together generations through timeless music, the night blends retro vibes, feel-good energy, and a strong sense of community. With DJ Baffy on the decks, expect a lively mix of classic tunes, fun competitions, and surprises throughout the evening. Dress in your best retro style and step into a night where nostalgia meets celebration.



SPS Events
Eventfully Yours

THU 23RD
CINEMA

MUVI KALI #142
"RUMBA ROYALE" by Yohane Dean Lengol and Hamed Mobasser (DRC)

Le jardin
6:30pm

Free Entrance

Welcome to a vibrant world of Rumba Royale, a captivating historical drama set in 1959 Léopoldville, at the twilight of the colonial era.

At the heart of the story lies the legendary Rumba Royale nightclub, where music, elegance, and social tensions intertwine. Through the lens of Daniel, a young photographer, the film captures the energy of a city in transition and his growing connection with Olive, a waitress torn between ambition and complex relationships.

Blending romance, mystery, and history, the film unfolds as a tragic event disrupts the fragile balance of this lively scene, pulling Daniel into a desperate search for truth in a society on the brink of change.





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Le jardin
7:30pm
Free Entrance

JUMATANO GROOVE #175
Welle & The Band (TZ) : Afrofusion

A vibrant evening of Afro-fusion and Bongoflava rhythms awaits with Welle & The Band! This dynamic group of five talented artists brings together rich African sounds and contemporary influences to create an electrifying live performance. Formed in 2022, the band has quickly built a growing fanbase thanks to their powerful stage presence and infectious energy. Join us for a night of music, dance, and cultural celebration as Welle, Ezekiel, Ben Solo, Adam Bass, and Erick Mwendesha take you on a musical journey that honors and reinvents African music.



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SAT 25TH
PAINTING
WORKSHOP

Le jardin
10:00am to
12:00pm
Paid Entrance

ATELIER DE PEINTURE

A fun and creative Tinga Tinga painting experience led by Seif Adam

The Alliance Française and Dar Accueil invite you to a Tinga Tinga painting workshop led by Seif Adam, artist and art teacher. Discover this iconic Tanzanian style, known for its vibrant colors and glossy finish, and create your own artwork. Open to all ages (children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult). Participation fee: 30,000 TZS (materials included).



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For more information call : 022 2131 406



THU 30TH
GAMES

Le jardin
5:30pm
Free Entrance

GAME NIGHT
Play, connect, and have fun !

Welcome to our first game night of the year. a fun, interactive, and cultural evening with BONGOPOLY at Alliance Française Dar es Salaam. Back for their second event at AFDAR, the creators of the first Kiswahili board game invite you to enjoy games, socialize, and win exciting BONGOPOLY prizes. This edition also features chess and other fun activities—so bring your friends and family. Open to all ages!

LEARN FRENCH



Alliance Française
Dar Es Salaam

Registration
are open !



CLASSES FOR LEARNING FRENCH

A1 - C1

Session Starts: 8th April 2026

Each session lasts 10 weeks

Deadline for Registration:

1st April 2026



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<https://afdardar.com/registration-form/>

LEARN SWAHILI

REGISTRATION
ARE OPEN !

Classes for learning Swahili:
Beginner to Advanced

Deadline for Registration:
1st April 2026



Session Starts: 8th April 2026
Each session lasts 10 weeks



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LEARN FRENCH

FOR KIDS ON SATURDAY

French Classes

French language learning for
children & teens (3–17 years)

9:00–11:00am | 11:30–1:30pm

260,000
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Ateliers Cheza

Playful performing arts: singing,
theatre, dance (5–10 years) (snack included)

10:00–11:30am | 11:00–12:30am

240,000
tsh

French +Ateliers Cheza

Full creative & learning mornings
(3–17 years)

9:00–12:30am | 10:30–1:30pm

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OUR CLASSES

The Alliance Française of Dar Es Salaam is a Tanzanian non-profit organization founded in 1961. It is the first French language institution in Dar Es Salaam offering a wide range of courses to suit all levels and needs.

LEARN FRENCH | LEARN KISWAHILI
TAKE PRIVATE TUTORINGS

- Face to face or Online classes
- All year round, all levels from A1 to C2

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KISWAHILI

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