



CULTURAL : JUNE
PROGRAM : 2026



Alliance Française
Dar Es Salaam

JUNE 2026

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WORLD CUP SCREENING

France vs Norway on the big screen



**RUNNING UNTIL
5TH JUNE
EXHIBITION**

La Galerie
Free Entrance

JUST BECAUSE YOU DON'T SEE
An exhibition by Alex Gastone Mkwizu (TZ)

This exhibition turns its gaze beneath the surface of the Indian Ocean, revealing the urgent realities of climate change and the destruction of fragile marine ecosystems. From coral bleaching and broken reefs to the loss of young fish and threatened livelihoods, the exhibition asks audiences to consider what often remains unseen — yet deeply affects us all.



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GROOVE:
MARAFIKI
POP-UP**

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JUMATANO GROOVE #179: MARAFIKI POP-UP

Chudo Master (TZ) : Litungu Blues
T-Africa (TZ) : Contemporary Dance

Experience a special Marafiki Pop-Up edition of Jumatano Groove featuring an evening of both live music and contemporary dance.

Taking the stage is Chudo Master, a Tanzanian musician and percussionist known for his unique “Litungu Blues” sound, blending traditional East African rhythms with Delta and Louisiana blues influences. A dynamic live performer and sought-after percussionist, Chudo brings soulful grooves and rich musical storytelling shaped by collaborations and festival appearances across East Africa and beyond.

The night will also feature a powerful dance performance titled “Suffering” by T-Africa. Through expressive contemporary movement, the piece explores struggle, oppression, perseverance, and the loneliness that can come with chasing one’s dreams.

Crafting Children's Storybooks

A WORKSHOP

HOW TO GET
PUBLISHED

MEET &
GREET OTHER
WRITERS



THUR 4TH
LITERATURE

Le jardin
4:00 - 6:00pm
Free Entrance

KALAM SALAAM #24

A Monthly Celebration of Swahili Literary Culture

Welcome to a special workshop on learning the art of writing Children's Stories. This workshop will be led by children's book author Blandina Lucas and veteran illustrator Cloud Chatanda. All participating writers and readers will have the opportunity to contribute to the development of plots and illustrations within stories. This is a golden opportunity for emerging writers and those who aspire to learn how to draw and write for children — come and gain valuable knowledge by joining this workshop.

**Event will be held in Swahili*





SAT 6TH
EXHIBITION

**White Sands,
Mbezi Beach**

9:00 am

Fee details to follow

OUTDOOR OCEAN EXPERIENCE

An activity-filled day in the ocean

This hands-on outdoor experience will immerse participants directly in the marine environment. Activities will include boat riding, snorkelling, stand-up paddleboarding, and scuba diving, offering a unique opportunity to connect with ocean ecosystems firsthand. Guided by professionals, participants will not only enjoy adventure activities but also gain a deeper appreciation of marine biodiversity and the importance of protecting it.



Join us for a unique blend of vibrant anime culture and creative exchange.



BECOME THE CHARACTER

- Meet and Connect
- Anime Merch Booths
- Board Games
- Cosplay Competition

Saturday

June 06

4PM-9PM

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FREE ENTRY**



**SAT 6TH
COMICS**

Le jardin

4:00 - 9:00pm

Free Entrance

COSPLAY MEET-UP

Suit up, transform, and bring your favourite characters to life

Get ready for an exciting Cosplay Meet-Up filled with anime vibes, creativity, games, and unforgettable character transformations! Whether you're a seasoned cosplayer, a gamer, an anime lover, or simply curious about the culture, this is the perfect space to connect with fellow fans and creatives. Explore anime merchandise booths, take part in fun activities and board games, and show off your best cosplay look in a vibrant and welcoming atmosphere. Come dressed as your favourite character and bring the energy for an evening celebrating imagination, fandom, and self-expression.





MON 8TH
CINEMA

Le jardin
7:30pm
Free Entrance

MUVI KALI #147: SPANISH FILM NIGHT

Secretos del Corazón (Secrets of the Heart)

by Montxo Armendáriz (ES)

Javi and his friend Carlos snoop around an old house on the way home from school. According to his brother, Juan, this is a haunted house, and one can hear the voices of the dead. Later, he is intrigued by a room that is always closed (the room where his father was found dead). He is so interested in these mysteries that he begins investigating all the secrets of these dead people and their stories.

****Spanish subtitled in French***



EXHIBITION: FOLDED MEMORIES OF WHISPERING LESO

WED 10TH
6:30pm



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FOLDED MEMORIES OF WHISPERING LESO

An exhibition by Safina Kimbokota (TZ)

Folded Memory of Whispering Leso is an exhibition by Tanzanian metal sculptor, painter, and textile artist Safina Kimbokota, exploring the often-unseen realities of pregnancy and motherhood in Tanzania. Rooted in her doctoral research and developed through collaborative workshops with pregnant women and mothers from health centres across Dar es Salaam, the exhibition reflects on fear, exhaustion, resilience, grief, and care.

Through immersive installations, sculpture, textiles, and a co-created woven tapestry, Kimbokota invites audiences into the emotional and physical experiences carried by women during pregnancy, labour, and motherhood. The exhibition highlights the silence surrounding maternal struggles from postpartum depression and loss to the emotional weight of expectation and sacrifice.

Rather than a critique, Folded Memory of Whispering Leso is a call for empathy and visibility. By sharing stitched and spoken stories from mothers themselves, the exhibition transforms maternal mortality and caregiving from distant statistics into deeply personal human experiences. It is both an honouring of Tanzanian mothers and a reflection on the resilience required to carry life into the world.



WED 10TH
MUSIC

Le jardin
7:30pm
Free Entrance

JUMATANO GROOVE #180
DJ BoniLuv (TZ) : All the Hits

Boniface Kilosa, popularly known as BoniLuv, Papa Luv, or Scratch Master, is a renowned DJ and music producer from Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. He played a key role in shaping Tanzania's DJ and music production scene through his work with Mawingu Disco Tech and Studios during the 1980s and 1990s.

With experience in DJing, sound engineering, music programming, and commercial production, BoniLuv has worked with numerous notable Tanzanian artists including Lady Jay Dee, AY, Mister Ebbo, and many others. He also credits much of his growth to his years at Clouds FM, where he served as both director and presenter.



THUR 11TH
MUSIC

Le jardin
7:30pm
Free Entrance

KARAOKE NIGHT

A Lively night of singing songs in French, English & Swahili

Warm up those vocals, pick your favourite anthem, and join us for another lively Karaoke Night! Whether you're singing solo, with friends, or cheering from the crowd, it's all about good vibes and great music. From French classics to Swahili hits and English favourites, the mic is waiting for you.





SAT 13TH
LANGUAGE

Le jardin
2:00 - 4:00pm
Free Entrance

LANGUAGE CAFE
Learning language through coffee and conversation

Join us for another vibrant Language Café, where language learners and speakers from all backgrounds come together to practise, connect, and have fun through conversation. This edition's theme is Music, so expect lively ice-breakers, interactive activities, and discussions inspired by songs, rhythms, and musical cultures from around the world. Whether you're learning French, German, Swahili, English, or another language, come ready to speak, listen, and share through the universal language of music.



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Africa's Finest Coffee



TUE 16TH
SPORTS

Le jardin
8:00pm
Free Entrance

WORLD CUP SCREENING
France vs Senegal on the big screen

World Cup fever is here! Join us, as we show France vs Senegal live on the big screen, for an evening of football, music, and friendly rivalry. From 8 PM, enjoy great vibes with a DJ Ricbeatz (TZ) and DJ Clâne (JP), cocktails, and food.

From 10 PM cheer on your team alongside fellow fans. Jerseys on, voices ready and let the match begin!



WED 17TH
ART

Kakiota
6:00pm
Free Entrance

ARTIST TALK: RICHARD ZITTING
Goldsmithing with Richard Zitting (FI)

Join us for an artist talk with Richard Zitting, who will share the creative and practical processes behind goldsmithing. Through personal insights and experiences, he will explore the different stages involved in creating a piece from the first spark of an idea to the technical precision required to bring it to life.

The talk will also touch on the challenges, discoveries, and opportunities that arise along the way, reflecting on the balance between experimentation and discipline: moving from a childlike, playful openness to a deeply focused, refined state of mind.



**JUMATANO
GROOVE:
OFFENBACH
ET LES TROIS
EMPEREURS (FR)**

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Le jardin
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Free Entrance

JUMATANO GROOVE #181: OPERA
Offenbach et les Trois Empereurs (FR)

For a special edition of Jumatano Groove, experience Offenbach et les Trois Empereurs, a lively and sparkling evening of music, theatre, and French operatic charm. Written and directed by Christophe Barbier, this acclaimed production revisits the world of celebrated composer Jacques Offenbach through humour, storytelling, live piano, and unforgettable soprano performances.

Blending excerpts from iconic operas such as La Vie Parisienne, La Belle Hélène, and Orphée aux Enfers, the performance is a joyful celebration of wit, spectacle, and the timeless power of music to bring people together. A truly pétillant night of French cultural theatre awaits.

This will be a very special seated performance, and audiences are encouraged to arrive on time as the show will begin promptly and run for approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes. After the performance, the evening continues with a DJ set by the Hijab DJ to keep the atmosphere alive.



THUR 18TH
THEATRE

Le jardin
5:00pm
Free Entrance

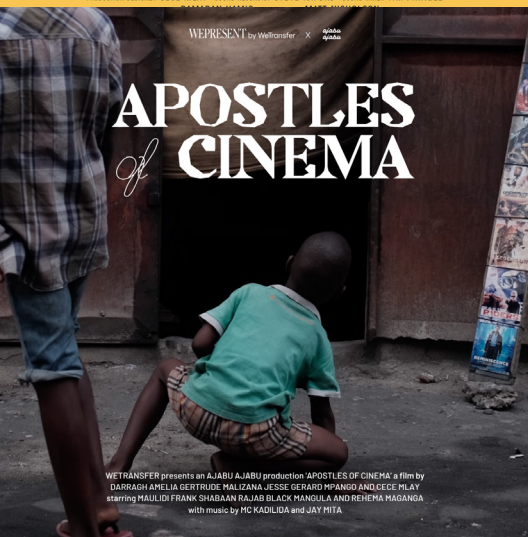
FRENCH ON STAGE
A special student theatrical performance

We are bringing together students from Aga Khan and the French School Dar es Salaam for an inspiring evening around the theme "Our Planet, Our Future." This creative project uses theatre as a lively and inclusive way for young learners to express themselves in French while reflecting on climate change, environmental responsibility, and the future of our communities. Through imagination, performance, and collaboration, these young performers invite audiences into a hopeful and thought-provoking celebration of language, creativity, and collective action for the planet.





KLIWIENI PRODUCTIONS and FOCUS FEATURES AFRICA FIRST PRESENTS SAMAKI MCHANGANI
WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY AMIL SHIVJI ASSISTANT DIRECTOR RITA WACHERA DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY LESTER MILLADO
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BEA CREATES IN ASSOCIATION WITH NAFASI FILM CLUB PRESENTS

WRITTEN BY BEATHER MWAKYENDA PRODUCTION MANAGER REGINA KIHWELE



TUE 23RD
CINEMA

Le jardin
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Free Entrance

MUVI KALI #148

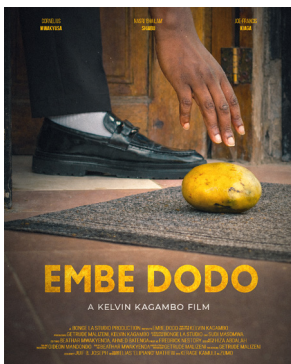
A night of short films by Tanzanian directors

Join us for a special Short Film Night celebrating bold and thought-provoking Tanzanian storytelling through both fiction and documentary cinema. From intimate family reflections and emotional mysteries to social commentary and explorations of film culture itself, the evening brings together stories grounded in reality, memory, ambition, environmental factors and human connection.

Featured films include:

- **Nje Ndani** by Adorofina Shija
- **Jumapili Njema** by Beather Mwakyaenda
- **Embe Dodo** by Kelvin Kagambo
- **Samaki Mchangani** by Amil Shivji
- **Apostles of Cinema** (Tenzi za Sinema) by Ajabu Ajabu

This screening invites audiences into worlds that are emotionally rich, psychologically engaging, and deeply reflective of contemporary Tanzanian experiences. There is something for everyone to connect with, question, and ponder long after the credits roll.





WED 24TH
EXHIBITION

La Galerie
5:30pm
Free Entrance

ARTIST TALK: SAFINA KIMBOKOTA
"Breaking the Silence" with Safina Kimbokota (TZ)

Beyond the joy often associated with pregnancy lies another reality many Tanzanian mothers face. In this special session, metal sculptor, textile artist, and researcher Safina Kimbokota shares the creative journey behind her exhibition *Folded Memory of Whispering Leso*. Through personal research and collaborative workshops with pregnant women and mothers in Dar es Salaam, Safina explores visibility, care, and the untold experiences of motherhood through installations such as *Inception* and the *Whispering Leso Tapestry*.

BATIK FASHION SHOW

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BATIK FASHION SHOW
Where Tradition Meets Runway, Rhythm, and Reinvention

Experience a special edition of Jumatano Groove with Batik Fashion Show, a vibrant celebration where fashion, music, dance, and craftsmanship come together in one immersive evening. Reimagining Batik and Tie-Dye as bold forms of self-expression and innovation, the event transforms traditional textiles into moving works of art through dynamic runway showcases, live music, and performance. Guests will also witness skilled tailors creating and customizing Batik garments live on-site, revealing the creative journey from fabric to finished design.

The night will feature the official launch of the upcoming Female Festival, an exclusive Batik sale, and a fundraising initiative supporting the festival's future growth.

This women-led edition of Batik Fashion Show & Jumatano Groove is proudly supported by the Embassy of Spain, and we are honoured to collaborate in celebrating and uplifting women in the creative arts.





WED 24TH
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Le jardin
7:30pm
Free Entrance

JUMATANO GROOVE #181
Anette Africette : Dynamic Soul
DJ Seche : Groove Machine

Leading this special women-led edition of Jumatano Groove is the dynamic Anette Africette; a powerful vocalist, songwriter, dancer, and theatre performer whose music blends African traditional sounds with jazz, soul, Afro-fusion, taarab, reggae, and contemporary global influences. Known for her commanding stage presence and emotionally rich performances, joining the night is DJ Seche, bringing energetic sounds to keep the dancefloor alive throughout the evening.





FRI 26TH
SPORTS

Le jardin
8:00pm
Free Entrance

WORLD CUP SCREENING
France vs Norway on the big screen

The World Cup excitement continues with another live screening on the big screen as France takes on Norway. Gather with fellow football fans for an evening of energy, music with DJ Ricbeatz (TZ) and DJ Cläne (JP), cocktails, and friendly competition as we cheer on our teams together.

..... From kickoff at 10PM to the final whistle, expect great vibes, good food, and unforgettable match-night atmosphere.

FOR ADULTS

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A1 / A2



**On Friday
19th June**

B1 / B2 / C1 / C2

**On Saturday
20th June**

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